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# A BILL

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| 5748.09, 5751.01, 5751.08, 5751.09, 5751.50,     | 26 |
| 5751.51, and 5753.11; to enact sections          | 27 |
| 5739.091, 5739.092, 5751.40, 5751.41, and        | 28 |
| 5751.42; and to repeal sections 901.13,          | 29 |
| 5705.211, 5727.87, 5733.46, 5739.105, 5747.75,   | 30 |
| and 5751.23 of the Revised Code to enact the     | 31 |
| "Tax Code Streamlining and Correction Act" to    | 32 |
| make technical and corrective changes to the     | 33 |
| laws governing taxation.                         | 34 |

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

| Section 1. That sections 122.075, 125.831, 131.45, 133.01,       | 35 |
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| 133.06, 133.07, 133.18, 135.142, 305.31, 306.322, 307.671,       | 36 |
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5739.021, 5739.028, 5739.03, 5739.034, 5739.05, 5739.08, 49 5739.09, 5739.21, 5740.02, 5743.05, 5743.08, 5743.33, 5743.65, 50 5745.14, 5747.01, 5747.011, 5747.012, 5747.013, 5747.02, 51 5747.058, 5747.061, 5747.07, 5747.082, 5747.11, 5747.231, 52 5747.41, 5747.51, 5747.52, 5747.55, 5747.98, 5748.08, 5748.09, 53 5751.01, 5751.08, 5751.09, 5751.50, 5751.51, and 5753.11 be 54 amended and sections 5739.091, 5739.092, 5751.40, 5751.41, and 55 5751.42 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows: 56 Sec. 122.075. (A) As used in this section: 57 (1) "Alternative fuel" has the same meaning as in section 58 125.831 of the Revised Code. 59 (2) "Biodiesel" means a mono-alkyl ester combustible 60 liquid fuel that is derived from vegetable oils or animal fats, 61 or any combination of those reagents, and that meets American 62 society for testing and materials specification D6751-03a for 63 biodiesel fuel (B100) blend stock distillate fuels. 64 (3) "Diesel fuel" and "gasoline" have the same meanings as 65 in section 5735.01 of the Revised Code. 66 (4) "Ethanol" has the same meaning as in section 5733.46 67 of the Revised Codemeans fermentation ethyl alcohol derived from 68 agricultural products, including potatoes, cereal, grains, 69 cheese whey, and sugar beets; forest products; or other 70 renewable resources, including residue and waste generated from 71 the production, processing, and marketing of agricultural 72 products, forest products, and other renewable resources that 73 meet all of the specifications in the American society for 74 testing and materials (ASTM) specification D 4806-88 and is 75 denatured as specified in Parts 20 and 21 of Title 27 of the 76

Code of Federal Regulations.

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(5) "Blended biodiesel" means diesel fuel containing at 78 least twenty per cent biodiesel by volume. 79 (6) "Blended gasoline" means gasoline containing at least 80 eighty-five per cent ethanol by volume. 81 (7) "Incremental cost" means either of the following: 82 (a) The difference in cost between blended gasoline and 83 gasoline containing ten per cent or less ethanol at the time 84 that the blended gasoline is purchased; 85 (b) The difference in cost between blended biodiesel and 86 diesel fuel containing two per cent or less biodiesel at the 87 time that the blended biodiesel is purchased. 88 (B) For the purpose of improving the air quality in this 89 state, the director of development services shall establish an 90 alternative fuel transportation program under which the director 91 may make grants and loans to businesses, nonprofit 92 organizations, public school systems, or local governments for 93 the purchase and installation of alternative fuel refueling or 94 distribution facilities and terminals, for the purchase and use 95 of alternative fuel, to pay the cost of fleet conversion, and to 96 pay the costs of educational and promotional materials and 97 activities intended for prospective alternative fuel consumers, 98 fuel marketers, and others in order to increase the availability 99 and use of alternative fuel. 100 (C) The director, in consultation with the director of 101 agriculture, shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. 102

of the Revised Code that are necessary for the administration of103the alternative fuel transportation program. The rules shall104establish at least all of the following:105

(1) An application form and procedures governing the 106

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| application process for receiving funds under the program;       | 107 |
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| (2) A procedure for prioritizing the award of grants and         | 108 |
| loans under the program. The procedures shall give preference to | 109 |
| all of the following:  | 110 |
| (a) Publicly accessible refueling facilities;                    | 111 |
| (b) Entities applying to the program that have secured           | 112 |
| funding from other sources, including, but not limited to,       | 113 |
| private or federal incentives;                                   | 114 |
| (c) Entities that have presented compelling evidence of          | 115 |
| demand in the market in which the facilities or terminals will   | 116 |
| be located;  | 117 |
| (d) Entities that have committed to utilizing purchased or       | 118 |
| installed facilities or terminals for the greatest number of     | 119 |
| years;   | 120 |
| (e) Entities that will be purchasing or installing               | 121 |
| facilities or terminals for any type of alternative fuel.        | 122 |
| (3) A requirement that the maximum incentive for the             | 123 |
| purchase and installation of an alternative fuel refueling or    | 124 |
| distribution facility or terminal be eighty per cent of the cost | 125 |
| of the facility or terminal, except that at least twenty per     | 126 |
| cent of the total cost of the facility or terminal shall be      | 127 |
| incurred by the recipient and not compensated for by any other   | 128 |
| source;  | 129 |
| (4) A requirement that the maximum incentive for the             | 130 |
| purchase of alternative fuel be eighty per cent of the cost of   | 131 |
| the fuel or, in the case of blended biodiesel or blended         | 132 |
| gasoline, eighty per cent of the incremental cost of the blended | 133 |
| biodiesel or blended gasoline;                                   | 134 |

(5) Any other criteria, procedures, or guidelines that the
director determines are necessary to administer the program,
including fees, charges, interest rates, and payment schedules.
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(D) An applicant for a grant or loan under this section
that sells motor vehicle fuel at retail shall agree that if the
applicant receives funding, the applicant will report to the
director the gallon or gallon equivalent amounts of alternative
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fuel the applicant sells at retail in this state for a period of
three years after the project is completed.

The director shall enter into a written confidentiality 144 agreement with the applicant regarding the gallon or gallon 145 equivalent amounts sold as described in this division, and upon 146 execution of the agreement this information is not a public 147 record. 148

(E) There is hereby created in the state treasury the 149 alternative fuel transportation fund. The fund shall consist of 150 money transferred to the fund under division (B) of section 151 125.836 of the Revised Code, money that is appropriated to it by 152 the general assembly, money as may be specified by the general 153 assembly from the advanced energy fund created by section 154 4928.61 of the Revised Code, and all money received from the 155 repayment of loans made from the fund or in the event of a 156 default on any such loan. Money in the fund shall be used to 157 make grants and loans under the alternative fuel transportation 158 program and by the director in the administration of that 159 program. 160

 Sec. 125.831. As used in sections 125.831 to 125.834 of
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 the Revised Code:
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(A) "Alternative fuel" means any of the following fuels

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| used in a motor vehicle:                                      | 164 |
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| (1) E85 blend fuel;   | 165 |
| (2) Blended biodiesel;  | 166 |
| (3) Natural gas;  | 167 |
| (4) Liquefied petroleum gas;                                  | 168 |
| (5) Hydrogen;   | 169 |
| (6) Compressed air;   | 170 |
| (7) Any power source, including electricity;                  | 171 |
| (8) Any fuel not described in divisions (A)(1) to (7) of      | 172 |
| this section that the United States department of energy      | 173 |
| determines, by final rule, to be substantially not petroleum, | 174 |
| and that would yield substantial energy security and          | 175 |
| environmental benefits.                                       | 176 |
| (B) "Biodiesel" means a mono-alkyl ester combustible          | 177 |

liquid fuel that is derived from vegetable oils or animal fats, 178 or any combination of those reagents that meets the American 179 society for testing and materials specification for biodiesel 180 fuel (B100) blend stock distillate fuels and any other standards 181 that the director of administrative services adopts by rule. 182

(C) "Blended biodiesel" means a blend of biodiesel with
petroleum based diesel fuel in which the resultant product
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contains not less than twenty per cent biodiesel that meets the
American society for testing and materials specification for
blended diesel fuel and any other standards that the director of
administrative services adopts by rule.

(D) "Diesel fuel" means any liquid fuel that is capable ofuse in discrete form or as a blend component in the operation of190

engines of the diesel type.

(E) "E85 blend fuel" means fuel containing eighty-five per 192 cent or more ethanol as defined in section 5733.46-122.075 of 193 the Revised Code or containing any other percentage of not less 194 than seventy per cent ethanol if the United States department of 195 energy determines, by rule, that the lower percentage is 196 necessary to provide for the requirements of cold start, safety, 197 or vehicle functions, and that meets the American society for 198 testing and materials specification for E85 blend fuel and any 199 other standards that the director of administrative services 200 adopts by rule. 201

(F) "Law enforcement officer" means an officer, agent, or employee of a state agency upon whom, by statute, a duty to conserve the peace or to enforce all or certain laws is imposed and the authority to arrest violators is conferred, within the limits of that statutory duty and authority, but does not include such an officer, agent, or employee if that duty and authority is location specific.

(G) (1) "Motor vehicle" means any automobile, car minivan, cargo van, passenger van, sport utility vehicle, or pickup truck with a gross vehicle weight of under twelve thousand pounds.

(2) "Motor vehicle" does not include, except for the 212 purposes of division (C) of section 125.832 of the Revised Code, 213 any vehicle described in division (G)(1) of this section that is 214 used by a law enforcement officer and law enforcement agency or 215 any vehicle that is so described and that is equipped with 216 specialized equipment that is not normally found in such a 217 vehicle and that is used to carry out a state agency's specific 218 and specialized duties and responsibilities. 219

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(H) "Specialized equipment" does not include standard 220 221 mobile radios with no capabilities other than voice communication, exterior and interior lights, or roof-mounted 222 223 caution lights. (I) "State agency" means every organized body, office, 224 board, authority, commission, or agency established by the laws 225 of the state for the exercise of any governmental or quasi-226 governmental function of state government regardless of the 227 funding source for that entity, other than any state institution 228 229 of higher education, the office of the governor, lieutenant 230 governor, auditor of state, treasurer of state, secretary of state, or attorney general, the general assembly or any 231 legislative agency, the courts or any judicial agency, or any 232 state retirement system or retirement program established by or 233 referenced in the Revised Code. 234

(J) "State institution of higher education" has the same235meaning as in section 3345.011 of the Revised Code.236

Sec. 131.45. (A) The amount the general assembly 237 appropriates from the general revenue fund each year per pupil 238 for primary and secondary educational purposes shall be not less 239 than the amount it appropriated per pupil for those purposes for 240 the base year, adjusted for changes in prices as measured by the 241 consumer price index (all urban consumers, all items) prepared 242 by the bureau of labor statistics of the United States 243 department of labor. The base year is fiscal year 1999. 244

(B) Appropriations of the proceeds of the sales and use
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tax levied by sections 5739.029 and 5741.024 of the Revised Code
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and of the net proceeds of any state lottery under Section 6 of
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Article XV of the Ohio Constitution shall be in addition to
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appropriations made pursuant to this section.

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(C) For the purposes of this section, appropriations for
primary and secondary educational purposes includes amounts
appropriated to reimburse school districts for property tax
reductions required by law.

Sec. 133.01. As used in this chapter, in sections 9.95, 9.96, and 2151.655 of the Revised Code, in other sections of the Revised Code that make reference to this chapter unless the context does not permit, and in related proceedings, unless otherwise expressly provided:

(A) "Acquisition" as applied to real or personal property 259
includes, among other forms of acquisition, acquisition by 260
exercise of a purchase option, and acquisition of interests in 261
property, including, without limitation, easements and rights- 262
of-way, and leasehold and other lease interests initially 263
extending or extendable for a period of at least sixty months. 264

(B) "Anticipatory securities" means securities, including notes, issued in anticipation of the issuance of other securities.

(C) "Board of elections" means the county board of 268 elections of the county in which the subdivision is located. If 269 the subdivision is located in more than one county, "board of 270 elections" means the county board of elections of the county 271 that contains the largest portion of the population of the 272 subdivision or that otherwise has jurisdiction in practice over 273 and customarily handles election matters relating to the 274 subdivision. 275

(D) "Bond retirement fund" means the bond retirement fund
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 provided for in section 5705.09 of the Revised Code, and also
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 means a sinking fund or any other special fund, regardless of
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the name applied to it, established by or pursuant to law or the 279 proceedings for the payment of debt charges. Provision may be 280 made in the applicable proceedings for the establishment in a 281 bond retirement fund of separate accounts relating to debt 282 charges on particular securities, or on securities payable from 283 the same or common sources, and for the application of moneys in 284 those accounts only to specified debt charges on specified 285 securities or categories of securities. Subject to law and any 286 provisions in the applicable proceedings, moneys in a bond 287 retirement fund or separate account in a bond retirement fund 288 may be transferred to other funds and accounts. 289

(E) "Capitalized interest" means all or a portion of the interest payable on securities from their date to a date stated or provided for in the applicable legislation, which interest is to be paid from the proceeds of the securities.

(F) "Chapter 133. securities" means securities authorized by or issued pursuant to or in accordance with this chapter.

(G) "County auditor" means the county auditor of the county in which the subdivision is located. If the subdivision is located in more than one county, "county auditor" means the county auditor of the county that contains the highest amount of the tax valuation of the subdivision or that otherwise has jurisdiction in practice over and customarily handles property tax matters relating to the subdivision. In the case of a county that has adopted a charter, "county auditor" means the officer who generally has the duties and functions provided in the Revised Code for a county auditor.

(H) "Credit enhancement facilities" means letters of
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credit, lines of credit, stand-by, contingent, or firm
securities purchase agreements, insurance, or surety
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arrangements, guarantees, and other arrangements that provide 309 for direct or contingent payment of debt charges, for security 310 or additional security in the event of nonpayment or default in 311 respect of securities, or for making payment of debt charges to 312 and at the option and on demand of securities holders or at the 313 option of the issuer or upon certain conditions occurring under 314 315 put or similar arrangements, or for otherwise supporting the credit or liquidity of the securities, and includes credit, 316 reimbursement, marketing, remarketing, indexing, carrying, 317 interest rate hedge, and subrogation agreements, and other 318 agreements and arrangements for payment and reimbursement of the 319 person providing the credit enhancement facility and the 320 security for that payment and reimbursement. 321

(I) "Current operating expenses" or "current expenses"
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 means the lawful expenditures of a subdivision, except those for
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 permanent improvements and for payments of debt charges of the
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 subdivision.
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(J) "Debt charges" means the principal, including any326mandatory sinking fund deposits and mandatory redemption327payments, interest, and any redemption premium, payable on328securities as those payments come due and are payable. The use329of "debt charges" for this purpose does not imply that any330particular securities constitute debt within the meaning of the331Ohio Constitution or other laws.332

(K) "Financing costs" means all costs and expenses
relating to the authorization, including any required election,
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issuance, sale, delivery, authentication, deposit, custody,
clearing, registration, transfer, exchange, fractionalization,
replacement, payment, and servicing of securities, including,
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without limitation, costs and expenses for or relating to
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publication and printing, postage, delivery, preliminary and 339 final official statements, offering circulars, and informational 340 statements, travel and transportation, underwriters, placement 341 agents, investment bankers, paying agents, registrars, 342 authenticating agents, remarketing agents, custodians, clearing 343 agencies or corporations, securities depositories, financial 344 345 advisory services, certifications, audits, federal or state regulatory agencies, accounting and computation services, legal 346 services and obtaining approving legal opinions and other legal 347 opinions, credit ratings, redemption premiums, and credit 348 enhancement facilities. Financing costs may be paid from any 349 moneys available for the purpose, including, unless otherwise 350 provided in the proceedings, from the proceeds of the securities 351 to which they relate and, as to future financing costs, from the 352 same sources from which debt charges on the securities are paid 353 and as though debt charges. 354

(L) "Fiscal officer" means the following, or, in the case 355 of absence or vacancy in the office, a deputy or assistant 356 authorized by law or charter to act in the place of the named 357 officer, or if there is no such authorization then the deputy or 358 assistant authorized by legislation to act in the place of the 359 named officer for purposes of this chapter, in the case of the 360 following subdivisions: 361

(1) A county, the county auditor;

(2) A municipal corporation, the city auditor or village clerk or clerk-treasurer, or the officer who, by virtue of a charter, has the duties and functions provided in the Revised Code for the city auditor or village clerk or clerk-treasurer;

(3) A school district, the treasurer of the board ofa district, and a distrin

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| (4) A regional water and sewer district, the secretary of        | 369 |
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| the board of trustees;   | 370 |
| (5) A joint township hospital district, the treasurer of         | 371 |
| the district;  | 372 |
| (6) A joint ambulance district, the clerk of the board of        | 373 |
| trustees;  | 374 |
| (7) A joint recreation district, the person designated           | 375 |
| pursuant to section 755.15 of the Revised Code;                  | 376 |
| (8) A detention facility district or a district organized        | 377 |
| under section 2151.65 of the Revised Code or a combined district | 378 |
| organized under sections 2152.41 and 2151.65 of the Revised      | 379 |
| Code, the county auditor of the county designated by law to act  | 380 |
| as the auditor of the district;                                  | 381 |
| (9) A township, a fire district organized under division         | 382 |
| (C) of section 505.37 of the Revised Code, or a township police  | 383 |
| district, the fiscal officer of the township;                    | 384 |
| (10) A joint fire district, the clerk of the board of            | 385 |
| trustees of that district;                                       | 386 |
| (11) A regional or county library district, the person           | 387 |
| responsible for the financial affairs of that district;          | 388 |
| (12) A joint solid waste management district, the fiscal         | 389 |
| officer appointed by the board of directors of the district      | 390 |
| under section 343.01 of the Revised Code;                        | 391 |
| (13) A joint emergency medical services district, the            | 392 |
| person appointed as fiscal officer pursuant to division (D) of   | 393 |
| section 307.053 of the Revised Code;                             | 394 |
| (14) A fire and ambulance district, the person appointed         | 395 |

as fiscal officer under division (B) of section 505.375 of the 396 Revised Code; 397 (15) A subdivision described in division  $(MM) \frac{(19)}{(20)}$  of 398 this section, the officer who is designated by law as or 399 performs the functions of its chief fiscal officer; 400 (16) A joint police district, the treasurer of the 401 district; 402 403 (17) A lake facilities authority, the fiscal officer designated under section 353.02 of the Revised Code; 404 405 (18) A regional transportation improvement project, the county auditor designated under section 5595.10 of the Revised 406 Code. 407 (M) "Fiscal year" has the same meaning as in section 9.34 408 of the Revised Code. 409 (N) "Fractionalized interests in public obligations" means 410 participations, certificates of participation, shares, or other 411 instruments or agreements, separate from the public obligations 412 themselves, evidencing ownership of interests in public 413 obligations or of rights to receive payments of, or on account 414 of, principal or interest or their equivalents payable by or on 415 behalf of an obligor pursuant to public obligations. 416 (O) "Fully registered securities" means securities in 417 certificated or uncertificated form, registered as to both 418 principal and interest in the name of the owner. 419 (P) "Fund" means to provide for the payment of debt 420 charges and expenses related to that payment at or prior to 421

retirement by purchase, call for redemption, payment at

maturity, or otherwise.

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(Q) "General obligation" means securities to the payment
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of debt charges on which the full faith and credit and the
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general property taxing power, including taxes within the tax
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limitation if available to the subdivision, of the subdivision
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are pledged.

(R) "Interest" or "interest equivalent" means those
payments or portions of payments, however denominated, that
constitute or represent consideration for forbearing the
collection of money, or for deferring the receipt of payment of
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money to a future time.

(S) "Internal Revenue Code" means the "Internal Revenue
Code of 1986," 100 Stat. 2085, 26 U.S.C.A. 1 et seq., as
amended, and includes any laws of the United States providing
for application of that code.

(T) "Issuer" means any public issuer and any nonprofit
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 corporation authorized to issue securities for or on behalf of
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 any public issuer.
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(U) "Legislation" means an ordinance or resolution passed
by a majority affirmative vote of the then members of the taxing
authority unless a different vote is required by charter
provisions governing the passage of the particular legislation
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by the taxing authority.

(V) "Mandatory sinking fund redemption requirements" means
amounts required by proceedings to be deposited in a bond
retirement fund for the purpose of paying in any year or fiscal
year by mandatory redemption prior to stated maturity the
principal of securities that is due and payable, except for
mandatory prior redemption requirements as provided in those
proceedings, in a subsequent year or fiscal year.

| (W) "Mandatory sinking fund requirements" means amounts          | 453 |
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| required by proceedings to be deposited in a year or fiscal year | 454 |
| in a bond retirement fund for the purpose of paying the          | 455 |
| principal of securities that is due and payable in a subsequent  | 456 |
| year or fiscal year.   | 457 |
| (X) "Net indebtedness" has the same meaning as in division       | 458 |
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| (A) of section 133.04 of the Revised Code.                       | 459 |
| (Y) "Obligor," in the case of securities or fractionalized       | 460 |
| interests in public obligations issued by another person the     | 461 |
| debt charges or their equivalents on which are payable from      | 462 |
| payments made by a public issuer, means that public issuer.      | 463 |
| (Z) "One purpose" relating to permanent improvements means       | 464 |
| any one permanent improvement or group or category of permanent  | 465 |
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| improvements for the same utility, enterprise, system, or        | 466 |
| project, development or redevelopment project, or for or devoted | 467 |
| to the same general purpose, function, or use or for which self- | 468 |
| supporting securities, based on the same or different sources of | 469 |
| revenues, may be issued or for which special assessments may be  | 470 |
| levied by a single ordinance or resolution. "One purpose"        | 471 |
| includes, but is not limited to, in any case any off-street      | 472 |
| parking facilities relating to another permanent improvement,    | 473 |
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| (1) Any number of roads, highways, streets, bridges,             | 475 |
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| sidewalks, and viaducts;   | 476 |
| (2) Any number of off-street parking facilities;                 | 477 |
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(3) In the case of a county, any number of permanent
improvements for courthouse, jail, county offices, and other
county buildings, and related facilities;
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(4) In the case of a school district, any number of 481

facilities and buildings for school district purposes, and 482 related facilities. 483 (AA) "Outstanding," referring to securities, means 484 securities that have been issued, delivered, and paid for, 485 except any of the following: 486 (1) Securities canceled upon surrender, exchange, or 487 488 transfer, or upon payment or redemption; (2) Securities in replacement of which or in exchange for 489 which other securities have been issued; 490 (3) Securities for the payment, or redemption or purchase 491 for cancellation prior to maturity, of which sufficient moneys 492 or investments, in accordance with the applicable legislation or 493 other proceedings or any applicable law, by mandatory sinking 494 fund redemption requirements, mandatory sinking fund 495 requirements, or otherwise, have been deposited, and credited 496 for the purpose in a bond retirement fund or with a trustee or 497 paying or escrow agent, whether at or prior to their maturity or 498 redemption, and, in the case of securities to be redeemed prior 499 to their stated maturity, notice of redemption has been given or 500 501 satisfactory arrangements have been made for giving notice of that redemption, or waiver of that notice by or on behalf of the 502

affected security holders has been filed with the subdivision or 503 its agent for the purpose. 504

(BB) "Paying agent" means the one or more banks, trust
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companies, or other financial institutions or qualified persons,
including an appropriate office or officer of the subdivision,
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designated as a paying agent or place of payment of debt charges
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on the particular securities.

(CC) "Permanent improvement" or "improvement" means any

property, asset, or improvement certified by the fiscal officer, 511 which certification is conclusive, as having an estimated life 512 or period of usefulness of five years or more, and includes, but 513 is not limited to, real estate, buildings, and personal property 514 and interests in real estate, buildings, and personal property, 515 equipment, furnishings, and site improvements, and 516 517 reconstruction, rehabilitation, renovation, installation, improvement, enlargement, and extension of property, assets, or 518 improvements so certified as having an estimated life or period 519 of usefulness of five years or more. The acquisition of all the 520 stock ownership of a corporation is the acquisition of a 521 permanent improvement to the extent that the value of that stock 522 is represented by permanent improvements. A permanent 523 improvement for parking, highway, road, and street purposes 524 includes resurfacing, but does not include ordinary repair. 525

(DD) "Person" has the same meaning as in section 1.59 of
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the Revised Code and also includes any federal, state,
interstate, regional, or local governmental agency, any
subdivision, and any combination of those persons.
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(EE) "Proceedings" means the legislation, certifications, 530 notices, orders, sale proceedings, trust agreement or indenture, 531 mortgage, lease, lease-purchase agreement, assignment, credit 532 enhancement facility agreements, and other agreements, 533 instruments, and documents, as amended and supplemented, and any 534 election proceedings, authorizing, or providing for the terms 535 and conditions applicable to, or providing for the security or 536 sale or award of, public obligations, and includes the 537 provisions set forth or incorporated in those public obligations 538 and proceedings. 539

(FF) "Public issuer" means any of the following that is

authorized by law to issue securities or enter into public 541 obligations: 542 (1) The state, including an agency, commission, officer, 543 institution, board, authority, or other instrumentality of the 544 state; 545 (2) A taxing authority, subdivision, district, or other 546 local public or governmental entity, and any combination or 547 consortium, or public division, district, commission, authority, 548 department, board, officer, or institution, thereof; 549 (3) Any other body corporate and politic, or other public 550 551 entity. (GG) "Public obligations" means both of the following: 552 (1) Securities; 553 (2) Obligations of a public issuer to make payments under 554 installment sale, lease, lease purchase, or similar agreements, 555 which obligations may bear interest or interest equivalent. 556 (HH) "Refund" means to fund and retire outstanding 557 securities, including advance refunding with or without payment 558 559 or redemption prior to maturity. (II) "Register" means the books kept and maintained by the 560 registrar for registration, exchange, and transfer of registered 561 securities. 562

(JJ) "Registrar" means the person responsible for keeping
the register for the particular registered securities,
designated by or pursuant to the proceedings.
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(KK) "Securities" means bonds, notes, certificates of 566 indebtedness, commercial paper, and other instruments in 567

writing, including, unless the context does not admit, 568
anticipatory securities, issued by an issuer to evidence its 569
obligation to repay money borrowed, or to pay interest, by, or 570
to pay at any future time other money obligations of, the issuer 571
of the securities, but not including public obligations 572
described in division (GG)(2) of this section. 573

(LL) "Self-supporting securities" means securities or 574 portions of securities issued for the purpose of paying costs of 575 permanent improvements to the extent that receipts of the 576 subdivision, other than the proceeds of taxes levied by that 577 subdivision, derived from or with respect to the improvements or 578 the operation of the improvements being financed, or the 579 enterprise, system, project, or category of improvements of 580 which the improvements being financed are part, are estimated by 581 the fiscal officer to be sufficient to pay the current expenses 582 583 of that operation or of those improvements or enterprise, system, project, or categories of improvements and the debt 584 charges payable from those receipts on securities issued for the 585 purpose. Until such time as the improvements or increases in 586 rates and charges have been in operation or effect for a period 587 of at least six months, the receipts therefrom, for purposes of 588 this definition, shall be those estimated by the fiscal officer, 589 except that those receipts may include, without limitation, 590 payments made and to be made to the subdivision under leases or 591 agreements in effect at the time the estimate is made. In the 592 case of an operation, improvements, or enterprise, system, 593 project, or category of improvements without at least a six-594 month history of receipts, the estimate of receipts by the 595 fiscal officer, other than those to be derived under leases and 596 agreements then in effect, shall be confirmed by the taxing 597 authority. 598

(MM) "Subdivision" means any of the following: 599 (1) A county, including a county that has adopted a 600 charter under Article X, Ohio Constitution; 601 (2) A municipal corporation, including a municipal 602 corporation that has adopted a charter under Article XVIII, Ohio 603 Constitution; 604 (3) A school district; 605 (4) A regional water and sewer district organized under 606 Chapter 6119. of the Revised Code; 607 (5) A joint township hospital district organized under 608 section 513.07 of the Revised Code; 609 (6) A joint ambulance district organized under section 610 505.71 of the Revised Code; 611 (7) A joint recreation district organized under division 612 (C) of section 755.14 of the Revised Code; 613 (8) A detention facility district organized under section 614 2152.41, a district organized under section 2151.65, or a 615 combined district organized under sections 2152.41 and 2151.65 616 of the Revised Code; 617 (9) A township police district organized under section 618 505.48 of the Revised Code; 619 (10) A township; 620 (11) A joint fire district organized under section 505.371 621 of the Revised Code; 622 (12) A county library district created under section 623 3375.19 or a regional library district created under section 624 3375.28 of the Revised Code; 625

| (13) A joint solid waste management district organized          | 626 |
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| under section 343.01 or 343.012 of the Revised Code;            | 627 |
| (14) A joint emergency medical services district organized      | 628 |
| under section 307.052 of the Revised Code;                      | 629 |
| (15) A fire and ambulance district organized under section      | 630 |
| 505.375 of the Revised Code;                                    | 631 |
| (16) A fire district organized under division (C) of            | 632 |
| section 505.37 of the Revised Code;                             | 633 |
| (17) A joint police district organized under section            | 634 |
| 505.482 of the Revised Code;                                    | 635 |
| (18) A lake facilities authority created under Chapter          | 636 |
| 353. of the Revised Code;                                       | 637 |
| (19) A regional transportation improvement project created      | 638 |
| under Chapter 5595. of the Revised Code;                        | 639 |
| (20) Any other political subdivision or taxing district or      | 640 |
| other local public body or agency authorized by this chapter or | 641 |
| other laws to issue Chapter 133. securities.                    | 642 |
| (NN) "Taxing authority" means in the case of the following      | 643 |
| subdivisions:   | 644 |
| (1) A county, a county library district, or a regional          | 645 |
| library district, the board or boards of county commissioners,  | 646 |
| or other legislative authority of a county that has adopted a   | 647 |
| charter under Article X, Ohio Constitution, but with respect to | 648 |
| such a library district acting solely as agent for the board of | 649 |
| trustees of that district;                                      | 650 |
| (2) A municipal corporation, the legislative authority;         | 651 |
| (3) A school district, the board of education;                  | 652 |

(4) A regional water and sewer district, a joint ambulance 653 district, a joint recreation district, a fire and ambulance 654 district, or a joint fire district, the board of trustees of the 655 district; 656 (5) A joint township hospital district, the joint township 657 hospital board; 658 (6) A detention facility district or a district organized 659 under section 2151.65 of the Revised Code, a combined district 660 organized under sections 2152.41 and 2151.65 of the Revised 661 Code, or a joint emergency medical services district, the joint 662 board of county commissioners; 663 (7) A township, a fire district organized under division 664 (C) of section 505.37 of the Revised Code, or a township police 665 district, the board of township trustees; 666 (8) A joint solid waste management district organized 667 under section 343.01 or 343.012 of the Revised Code, the board 668 of directors of the district; 669 (9) A subdivision described in division (MM) (19) (20) of 670 this section, the legislative or governing body or official; 671 (10) A joint police district, the joint police district 672 board; 673 (11) A lake facilities authority, the board of directors; 674 (12) A regional transportation improvement project, the 675 governing board. 676 (OO) "Tax limitation" means the "ten-mill limitation" as 677 defined in section 5705.02 of the Revised Code without 678 diminution by reason of section 5705.313 of the Revised Code or 679 otherwise, or, in the case of a municipal corporation or county 680 with a different charter limitation on property taxes levied to 681
pay debt charges on unvoted securities, that charter limitation. 682
Those limitations shall be respectively referred to as the "ten- 683
mill limitation" and the "charter tax limitation." 684

(PP) "Tax valuation" means the aggregate of the valuations 685 of property subject to ad valorem property taxation by the 686 subdivision on the real property, personal property, and public 687 utility property tax lists and duplicates most recently 688 certified for collection, and shall be calculated without 689 deductions of the valuations of otherwise taxable property 690 exempt in whole or in part from taxation by reason of exemptions 691 of certain amounts of taxable value under division (C) of 692 section 5709.01, tax reductions under section 323.152 of the 693 Revised Code, or similar laws now or in the future in effect. 694

For purposes of section 133.06 of the Revised Code, "tax 695 valuation" shall not include the valuation of tangible personal 696 property used in business, telephone or telegraph property, 697 interexchange telecommunications company property, or personal 698 property owned or leased by a railroad company and used in 699 railroad operations listed under or described in section 700 5711.22, division (B) or (F) of section 5727.111, or section 701 5727.12 of the Revised Code. 702

(QQ) "Year" means the calendar year.

(RR) "Administrative agent," "agent," "commercial paper," 704
"floating rate interest structure," "indexing agent," "interest 705
rate hedge," "interest rate period," "put arrangement," and 706
"remarketing agent" have the same meanings as in section 9.98 of 707
the Revised Code. 708

(SS) "Sales tax supported" means obligations to the

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payment of debt charges on which an additional sales tax or710additional sales taxes have been pledged by the taxing authority711of a county pursuant to section 133.081 of the Revised Code.712

(TT) "Tourism development district revenue supported"
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means obligations to the payment of debt charges on which
tourism development district revenue has been pledged by the
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taxing authority of a municipal corporation or township under
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section 133.083 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 133.06. (A) A school district shall not incur, 718 without a vote of the electors, net indebtedness that exceeds an 719 amount equal to one-tenth of one per cent of its tax valuation, 720 except as provided in divisions (G) and (H) of this section and 721 in division (D) of section 3313.372 of the Revised Code, or as 722 prescribed in section 3318.052 or 3318.44 of the Revised Code, 723 or as provided in division (J) of this section. 724

(B) Except as provided in divisions (E), (F), and (I) of this section, a school district shall not incur net indebtedness that exceeds an amount equal to nine per cent of its tax valuation.

(C) A school district shall not submit to a vote of the 729 electors the question of the issuance of securities in an amount 730 that will make the district's net indebtedness after the 731 issuance of the securities exceed an amount equal to four per 732 cent of its tax valuation, unless the superintendent of public 733 instruction, acting under policies adopted by the state board of 734 education, and the tax commissioner, acting under written 735 policies of the commissioner, consent to the submission. A 736 request for the consents shall be made at least one hundred 737 twenty days prior to the election at which the question is to be 738 submitted. 739

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The superintendent of public instruction shall certify to 740 the district the superintendent's and the tax commissioner's 741 decisions within thirty days after receipt of the request for 742 consents. 743

If the electors do not approve the issuance of securities 744 at the election for which the superintendent of public 745 instruction and tax commissioner consented to the submission of 746 the question, the school district may submit the same question 747 to the electors on the date that the next special election may 748 be held under section 3501.01 of the Revised Code without 749 750 submitting a new request for consent. If the school district seeks to submit the same question at any other subsequent 751 election, the district shall first submit a new request for 752 consent in accordance with this division. 753

(D) In calculating the net indebtedness of a schooldistrict, none of the following shall be considered:755

(1) Securities issued to acquire school buses and other
equipment used in transporting pupils or issued pursuant to
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division (D) of section 133.10 of the Revised Code;
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(2) Securities issued under division (F) of this section, 759
under section 133.301 of the Revised Code, and, to the extent in 760
excess of the limitation stated in division (B) of this section, 761
under division (E) of this section; 762

(3) Indebtedness resulting from the dissolution of a joint
vocational school district under section 3311.217 of the Revised
Code, evidenced by outstanding securities of that joint
vocational school district;
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(4) Loans, evidenced by any securities, received under767sections 3313.483, 3317.0210, and 3317.0211 of the Revised Code;768

Code; 770 (6) Debt incurred pursuant to division (B) (5) of section 771 3313.37 of the Revised Code to acquire computers and related 772 hardware; 773 (7) Debt incurred under section 3318.042 of the Revised 774 Code; 775 (8) Debt incurred under section 5705.2112 or 5705.2113 of 776 777 the Revised Code by the fiscal board of a qualifying partnership of which the school district is a participating school district. 778 (E) A school district may become a special needs district 779 as to certain securities as provided in division (E) of this 780 section. 781 (1) A board of education, by resolution, may declare its 782 school district to be a special needs district by determining 783 both of the following: 784 (a) The student population is not being adequately 785 serviced by the existing permanent improvements of the district. 786 (b) The district cannot obtain sufficient funds by the 787 issuance of securities within the limitation of division (B) of 788 this section to provide additional or improved needed permanent 789 improvements in time to meet the needs. 790 (2) The board of education shall certify a copy of that 791 resolution to the superintendent of public instruction with a 792 statistical report showing all of the following: 793 (a) The history of and a projection of the growth of the 794 tax valuation; 795

(5) Debt incurred under section 3313.374 of the Revised

(b) The projected needs;

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| (c) The estimated cost of permanent improvements proposed  |
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| to meet such projected needs.                              |
| (3) The superintendent of public instruction shall certify |
| the district as an approved special needs district if the  |
| superintendent finds both of the following:                |

(a) The district does not have available sufficient
 additional funds from state or federal sources to meet the
 projected needs.
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805 (b) The projection of the potential average growth of tax valuation during the next five years, according to the 806 information certified to the superintendent and any other 807 information the superintendent obtains, indicates a likelihood 808 of potential average growth of tax valuation of the district 809 during the next five years of an average of not less than one 810 and one-half per cent per year. The findings and certification 811 of the superintendent shall be conclusive. 812

(4) An approved special needs district may incur net
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indebtedness by the issuance of securities in accordance with
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the provisions of this chapter in an amount that does not exceed
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an amount equal to the greater of the following:
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(a) Twelve per cent of the sum of its tax valuation plus
an amount that is the product of multiplying that tax valuation
by the percentage by which the tax valuation has increased over
the tax valuation on the first day of the sixtieth month
preceding the month in which its board determines to submit to
the electors the question of issuing the proposed securities;

(b) Twelve per cent of the sum of its tax valuation plus 823 an amount that is the product of multiplying that tax valuation 824 by the percentage, determined by the superintendent of public 825 instruction, by which that tax valuation is projected to 826 increase during the next ten years. 827

(F) A school district may issue securities for emergency
purposes, in a principal amount that does not exceed an amount
equal to three per cent of its tax valuation, as provided in
this division.

(1) A board of education, by resolution, may declare an832emergency if it determines both of the following:833

(a) School buildings or other necessary school facilities 834 in the district have been wholly or partially destroyed, or 835 condemned by a constituted public authority, or that such 836 buildings or facilities are partially constructed, or so 837 constructed or planned as to require additions and improvements 838 to them before the buildings or facilities are usable for their 839 840 intended purpose, or that corrections to permanent improvements are necessary to remove or prevent health or safety hazards. 841

(b) Existing fiscal and net indebtedness limitations make842adequate replacement, additions, or improvements impossible.843

(2) Upon the declaration of an emergency, the board of 844 education may, by resolution, submit to the electors of the 845 district pursuant to section 133.18 of the Revised Code the 846 question of issuing securities for the purpose of paying the 847 cost, in excess of any insurance or condemnation proceeds 848 received by the district, of permanent improvements to respond 849 to the emergency need. 850

(3) The procedures for the election shall be as provided851in section 133.18 of the Revised Code, except that:852

(a) The form of the ballot shall describe the emergency 853

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existing, refer to this division as the authority under which 854 the emergency is declared, and state that the amount of the 855 proposed securities exceeds the limitations prescribed by 856 division (B) of this section; 857

(b) The resolution required by division (B) of section
133.18 of the Revised Code shall be certified to the county
auditor and the board of elections at least one hundred days
prior to the election;

(c) The county auditor shall advise and, not later than
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ninety-five days before the election, confirm that advice by
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certification to, the board of education of the information
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required by division (C) of section 133.18 of the Revised Code;
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(d) The board of education shall then certify its
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resolution and the information required by division (D) of
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section 133.18 of the Revised Code to the board of elections not
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less than ninety days prior to the election.
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(4) Notwithstanding division (B) of section 133.21 of the
Revised Code, the first principal payment of securities issued
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under this division may be set at any date not later than sixty
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months after the earliest possible principal payment otherwise
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provided for in that division.

(G)(1) The board of education may contract with an 875 architect, professional engineer, or other person experienced in 876 the design and implementation of energy conservation measures 877 for an analysis and recommendations pertaining to installations, 878 modifications of installations, or remodeling that would 879 significantly reduce energy consumption in buildings owned by 880 the district. The report shall include estimates of all costs of 881 882 such installations, modifications, or remodeling, including

costs of design, engineering, installation, maintenance, 883 repairs, measurement and verification of energy savings, and 884 debt service, forgone residual value of materials or equipment 885 replaced by the energy conservation measure, as defined by the 886 Ohio facilities construction commission, a baseline analysis of 887 actual energy consumption data for the preceding three years 888 889 with the utility baseline based on only the actual energy consumption data for the preceding twelve months, and estimates 890 of the amounts by which energy consumption and resultant 891 operational and maintenance costs, as defined by the commission, 892 would be reduced. 893

If the board finds after receiving the report that the amount of money the district would spend on such installations, modifications, or remodeling is not likely to exceed the amount of money it would save in energy and resultant operational and maintenance costs over the ensuing fifteen years, the board may submit to the commission a copy of its findings and a request for approval to incur indebtedness to finance the making or modification of installations or the remodeling of buildings for the purpose of significantly reducing energy consumption.

The facilities construction commission, in consultation 903 with the auditor of state, may deny a request under division (G) 904 (1) of this section by the board of education of any school 905 district that is in a state of fiscal watch pursuant to division 906 (A) of section 3316.03 of the Revised Code, if it determines 907 that the expenditure of funds is not in the best interest of the 908 school district. 909

No district board of education of a school district that910is in a state of fiscal emergency pursuant to division (B) of911section 3316.03 of the Revised Code shall submit a request912

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without submitting evidence that the installations,
modifications, or remodeling have been approved by the
district's financial planning and supervision commission
established under section 3316.05 of the Revised Code.

No board of education of a school district for which an917academic distress commission has been established under section9183302.10 of the Revised Code shall submit a request without first919receiving approval to incur indebtedness from the district's920academic distress commission established under that section, for921so long as such commission continues to be required for the922district.923

(2) The board of education may contract with a person 924 experienced in the implementation of student transportation to 925 produce a report that includes an analysis of and 926 recommendations for the use of alternative fuel vehicles by 927 school districts. The report shall include cost estimates 928 detailing the return on investment over the life of the 929 930 alternative fuel vehicles and environmental impact of alternative fuel vehicles. The report also shall include 931 estimates of all costs associated with alternative fuel 932 transportation, including facility modifications and vehicle 933 934 purchase costs or conversion costs.

If the board finds after receiving the report that the 935 amount of money the district would spend on purchasing 936 alternative fuel vehicles or vehicle conversion is not likely to 937 exceed the amount of money it would save in fuel and resultant 938 operational and maintenance costs over the ensuing five years, 939 the board may submit to the commission a copy of its findings 940 and a request for approval to incur indebtedness to finance the 941 purchase of new alternative fuel vehicles or vehicle conversions 942 for the purpose of reducing fuel costs.

The facilities construction commission, in consultation 944 with the auditor of state, may deny a request under division (G) 945 (2) of this section by the board of education of any school 946 district that is in a state of fiscal watch pursuant to division (A) of section 3316.03 of the Revised Code, if it determines that the expenditure of funds is not in the best interest of the 949 school district. 950

No district board of education of a school district that 951 is in a state of fiscal emergency pursuant to division (B) of 952 section 3316.03 of the Revised Code shall submit a request 953 without submitting evidence that the purchase or conversion of 954 alternative fuel vehicles has been approved by the district's 955 financial planning and supervision commission established under 956 section 3316.05 of the Revised Code. 957

No board of education of a school district for which an 958 academic distress commission has been established under section 959 3302.10 of the Revised Code shall submit a request without first 960 receiving approval to incur indebtedness from the district's 961 academic distress commission established under that section, for 962 so long as such commission continues to be required for the 963 district. 964

(3) The facilities construction commission shall approve 965 the board's request provided that the following conditions are 966 satisfied: 967

(a) The commission determines that the board's findings 968 are reasonable. 969

970 (b) The request for approval is complete.

971 (c) If the request was submitted under division (G)(1) of

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this section, the installations, modifications, or remodeling972are consistent with any project to construct or acquire973classroom facilities, or to reconstruct or make additions to974existing classroom facilities under sections 3318.01 to 3318.20975or sections 3318.40 to 3318.45 of the Revised Code.976

Upon receipt of the commission's approval, the district 977 may issue securities without a vote of the electors in a 978 principal amount not to exceed nine-tenths of one per cent of 979 its tax valuation for the purpose specified in division (G)(1) 980 or (2) of this section, but the total net indebtedness of the 981 district without a vote of the electors incurred under this and 982 all other sections of the Revised Code, except section 3318.052 983 of the Revised Code, shall not exceed one per cent of the 984 district's tax valuation. 985

(4) (a) So long as any securities issued under division (G) 986 (1) of this section remain outstanding, the board of education 987 shall monitor the energy consumption and resultant operational 988 and maintenance costs of buildings in which installations or 989 modifications have been made or remodeling has been done 990 pursuant to that division. Except as provided in division (G)(4) 991 992 (b) of this section, the board shall maintain and annually update a report in a form and manner prescribed by the 993 facilities construction commission documenting the reductions in 994 energy consumption and resultant operational and maintenance 995 cost savings attributable to such installations, modifications, 996 or remodeling. The resultant operational and maintenance cost 997 savings shall be certified by the school district treasurer. The 998 999 report shall be submitted annually to the commission.

(b) If the facilities construction commission verifies 1000 that the certified annual reports submitted to the commission by 1001

a board of education under division (G)(4)(a) of this section1002fulfill the guarantee required under division (B) of section10033313.372 of the Revised Code for three consecutive years, the1004board of education shall no longer be subject to the annual1005reporting requirements of division (G)(4)(a) of this section.1006

(5) So long as any securities issued under division (G)(2) 1007 of this section remain outstanding, the board of education shall 1008 monitor the purchase of new alternative fuel vehicles or vehicle 1009 conversions pursuant to that division. The board shall maintain 1010 and annually update a report in a form and manner prescribed by 1011 the facilities construction commission documenting the purchase 1012 of new alternative fuel vehicles or vehicle conversions, the 1013 associated environmental impact, and return on investment. The 1014 resultant fuel and operational and maintenance cost savings 1015 shall be certified by the school district treasurer. The report 1016 shall be submitted annually to the commission. 1017

(H) With the consent of the superintendent of public
instruction, a school district may incur without a vote of the
electors net indebtedness that exceeds the amounts stated in
divisions (A) and (G) of this section for the purpose of paying
costs of permanent improvements, if and to the extent that both
of the following conditions are satisfied:

(1) The fiscal officer of the school district estimates 1024 that receipts of the school district from payments made under or 1025 pursuant to agreements entered into pursuant to section 725.02, 1026 1728.10, 3735.671, 5709.081, 5709.082, 5709.40, 5709.41, 1027 5709.45, 5709.57, 5709.62, 5709.63, 5709.632, 5709.73, 5709.78, 1028 or 5709.82 of the Revised Code, or distributions under division 1029 (C) of section 5709.43 or division (B) of section 5709.47 of the 1030 Revised Code, or any combination thereof, are, after accounting 1031

for any appropriate coverage requirements, sufficient in time 1032 and amount, and are committed by the proceedings, to pay the 1033 debt charges on the securities issued to evidence that 1034 indebtedness and payable from those receipts, and the taxing 1035 authority of the district confirms the fiscal officer's 1036 estimate, which confirmation is approved by the superintendent 1037 of public instruction; 1038

(2) The fiscal officer of the school district certifies, 1039 and the taxing authority of the district confirms, that the 1040 district, at the time of the certification and confirmation, 1041 reasonably expects to have sufficient revenue available for the 1042 purpose of operating such permanent improvements for their 1043 intended purpose upon acquisition or completion thereof, and the 1044 superintendent of public instruction approves the taxing 1045 authority's confirmation. 1046

The maximum maturity of securities issued under division1047(H) of this section shall be the lesser of twenty years or the1048maximum maturity calculated under section 133.20 of the Revised1049Code.1050

(I) A school district may incur net indebtedness by the 1051 issuance of securities in accordance with the provisions of this 1052 chapter in excess of the limit specified in division (B) or (C) 1053 of this section when necessary to raise the school district 1054 portion of the basic project cost and any additional funds 1055 necessary to participate in a project under Chapter 3318. of the 1056 Revised Code, including the cost of items designated by the 1057 facilities construction commission as required locally funded 1058 initiatives, the cost of other locally funded initiatives in an 1059 amount that does not exceed fifty per cent of the district's 1060 portion of the basic project cost, and the cost for site 1061 acquisition. The commission shall notify the superintendent of 1062 public instruction whenever a school district will exceed either 1063 limit pursuant to this division. 1064

(J) A school district whose portion of the basic project 1065 cost of its classroom facilities project under sections 3318.01 1066 to 3318.20 of the Revised Code is greater than or equal to one 1067 hundred million dollars may incur without a vote of the electors 1068 net indebtedness in an amount up to two per cent of its tax 1069 valuation through the issuance of general obligation securities 1070 in order to generate all or part of the amount of its portion of 1071 the basic project cost if the controlling board has approved the 1072 facilities construction commission's conditional approval of the 1073 project under section 3318.04 of the Revised Code. The school 1074 district board and the Ohio facilities construction commission 1075 shall include the dedication of the proceeds of such securities 1076 in the agreement entered into under section 3318.08 of the 1077 Revised Code. No state moneys shall be released for a project to 1078 which this section applies until the proceeds of any bonds 1079 issued under this section that are dedicated for the payment of 1080 the school district portion of the project are first deposited 1081 into the school district's project construction fund. 1082

Sec. 133.07. (A) A county shall not incur, without a vote 1083 of the electors, either of the following: 1084

(1) Net indebtedness for all purposes that exceeds anamount equal to one per cent of its tax valuation;1086

(2) Net indebtedness for the purpose of paying the
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county's share of the cost of the construction, improvement,
maintenance, or repair of state highways that exceeds an amount
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equal to one-half of one per cent of its tax valuation.

(B) A county shall not incur total net indebtedness that 1091 exceeds an amount equal to one of the following limitations that 1092 applies to the county: 1093 (1) A county with a valuation not exceeding one hundred 1094 million dollars, three per cent of that tax valuation; 1095 (2) A county with a tax valuation exceeding one hundred 1096 million dollars but not exceeding three hundred million dollars, 1097 three million dollars plus one and one-half per cent of that tax 1098 valuation in excess of one hundred million dollars;

(3) A county with a tax valuation exceeding three hundred 1100 million dollars, six million dollars plus two and one-half per 1101 cent of that tax valuation in excess of three hundred million 1102 dollars. 1103

(C) In calculating the net indebtedness of a county, none 1104 of the following securities shall be considered: 1105

(1) Securities described in section 307.201 of the Revised 1106 Code: 1107

(2) Self-supporting securities issued for any purposes, 1108 including, but not limited to, any of the following general 1109 1110 purposes:

(a) Water systems or facilities;

(b) Sanitary sewerage systems or facilities, or surface 1112 and storm water drainage and sewerage systems or facilities, or 1113 a combination of those systems or facilities; 1114

(c) County or joint county scrap tire collection, storage, 1115 monocell, monofill, or recovery facilities, or any combination 1116 of those facilities: 1117

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valuation;

(d) Off-street parking lots, facilities, or buildings, or 1118 on-street parking facilities, or any combination of off-street 1119 and on-street parking facilities; 1120 (e) Facilities for the care or treatment of the sick or 1121 infirm, and for housing the persons providing that care or 1122 treatment and their families: 1123 (f) Recreational, sports, convention, auditorium, museum, 1124 1125 trade show, and other public attraction facilities; (g) Facilities for natural resources exploration, 1126 development, recovery, use, and sale; 1127 (h) Correctional and detention facilities and related 1128 rehabilitation facilities. 1129 (3) Securities issued for the purpose of purchasing, 1130 constructing, improving, or extending water or sanitary or 1131 surface and storm water sewerage systems or facilities, or a 1132 combination of those systems or facilities, to the extent that 1133 an agreement entered into with another subdivision requires the 1134 other subdivision to pay to the county amounts equivalent to 1135 debt charges on the securities; 1136 (4) Voted general obligation securities issued for the 1137 purpose of permanent improvements for sanitary sewerage or water 1138 systems or facilities to the extent that the total principal 1139 amount of voted securities outstanding for the purpose does not 1140 exceed an amount equal to two per cent of the county's tax 1141

(5) Securities issued for permanent improvements to house
agencies, departments, boards, or commissions of the county or
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of any municipal corporation located, in whole or in part, in
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the county, to the extent that the revenues, other than revenues
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from unvoted county property taxes, derived from leases or other 1147 agreements between the county and those agencies, departments, 1148 boards, commissions, or municipal corporations relating to the 1149 use of the permanent improvements are sufficient to cover the 1150 cost of all operating expenses of the permanent improvements 1151 paid by the county and debt charges on the securities; 1152

(6) Securities issued pursuant to section 133.08 of the 1153Revised Code; 1154

(7) Securities issued for the purpose of acquiring or 1155 constructing roads, highways, bridges, or viaducts, for the 1156 purpose of acquiring or making other highway permanent 1157 improvements, or for the purpose of procuring and maintaining 1158 computer systems for the office of the clerk of any county-1159 operated municipal court, for the office of the clerk of the 1160 court of common pleas, or for the office of the clerk of the 1161 probate, juvenile, or domestic relations division of the court 1162 of common pleas to the extent that the legislation authorizing 1163 the issuance of the securities includes a covenant to 1164 appropriate from moneys distributed to the county pursuant to 1165 division (B) of section 2101.162, 2151.541, 2153.081, 2301.031, 1166 or 2303.201 or Chapter 4501., 4503., 4504., or 5735. of the 1167 Revised Code a sufficient amount to cover debt charges on and 1168 financing costs relating to the securities as they become due; 1169

(8) Securities issued for the purpose of acquiring,
constructing, improving, and equipping a county, multicounty, or
multicounty-municipal jail, workhouse, juvenile detention
facility, or correctional facility;

(9) Securities issued for the acquisition, construction,
equipping, or repair of any permanent improvement or any class
or group of permanent improvements enumerated in a resolution
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adopted pursuant to division (D) of section 5739.026, or under 1177 division  $\frac{(A)(10)}{(J)}$  (J) of section 5739.09, of the Revised Code to 1178 the extent that the legislation authorizing the issuance of the 1179 securities includes a covenant to appropriate from moneys 1180 received from the taxes authorized under section 5739.023 and 1181 division (A)(5) of section 5739.026, or under division (A)(10) 1182 (J) of section 5739.09 $_{\tau}$  of the Revised Code, respectively, an 1183 amount sufficient to pay debt charges on the securities and 1184 those moneys shall be pledged for that purpose; 1185

(10) Securities issued for county or joint county solid
waste or hazardous waste collection, transfer, or disposal
facilities, or resource recovery and solid or hazardous waste
recycling facilities, or any combination of those facilities;

(11) Securities issued for the acquisition, construction,
and equipping of a port authority educational and cultural
facility under section 307.671 of the Revised Code;
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(12) Securities issued for the acquisition, construction,
equipping, and improving of a municipal educational and cultural
facility under division (B) (1) of section 307.672 of the Revised
Code;

(13) Securities issued for energy conservation measuresunder section 307.041 of the Revised Code;1198

(14) Securities issued for the acquisition, construction,
equipping, improving, or repair of a sports facility, including
obligations issued to pay costs of a sports facility under
section 307.673 of the Revised Code;

(15) Securities issued under section 755.17 of the Revised
Code if the legislation authorizing issuance of the securities
includes a covenant to appropriate from revenue received from a
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tax authorized under division (A)(5) of section 5739.026 and 1206
section 5741.023 of the Revised Code an amount sufficient to pay 1207
debt charges on the securities, and the board of county 1208
commissioners pledges that revenue for that purpose, pursuant to 1209
section 755.171 of the Revised Code; 1210

(16) Sales tax supported bonds issued pursuant to section 1211 133.081 of the Revised Code for the purpose of acquiring, 1212 constructing, improving, or equipping any permanent improvement 1213 to the extent that the legislation authorizing the issuance of 1214 1215 the sales tax supported bonds pledges county sales taxes to the payment of debt charges on the sales tax supported bonds and 1216 contains a covenant to appropriate from county sales taxes a 1217 sufficient amount to cover debt charges or the financing costs 1218 related to the sales tax supported bonds as they become due; 1219

(17) Bonds or notes issued under section 133.60 of the 1220 Revised Code if the legislation authorizing issuance of the 1221 bonds or notes includes a covenant to appropriate from revenue 1222 received from a tax authorized under division (A) (9) of section 1223 5739.026 and section 5741.023 of the Revised Code an amount 1224 sufficient to pay the debt charges on the bonds or notes, and 1225 the board of county commissioners pledges that revenue for that 1226 1227 purpose;

(18) Securities issued under section 3707.55 of the 1228
Revised Code for the acquisition of real property by a general 1229
health district; 1230

(19) Securities issued under division (A) (3) of section
3313.37 of the Revised Code for the acquisition of real and
personal property by an educational service center;
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(20) Securities issued for the purpose of paying the costs 1234

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of acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, renovating,1235rehabilitating, expanding, adding to, equipping, furnishing, or1236otherwise improving an arena, convention center, or a1237combination of an arena and convention center under section1238307.695 of the Revised Code;1239

(21) Securities issued for the purpose of paying project1240costs under section 307.678 of the Revised Code;1241

(22) Securities issued for the purpose of paying project1242costs under section 307.679 of the Revised Code.1243

(D) In calculating the net indebtedness of a county, no
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 obligation incurred under division (F) of section 339.06 of the
 Revised Code shall be considered.
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Sec. 133.18. (A) The taxing authority of a subdivision may1247by legislation submit to the electors of the subdivision the1248question of issuing any general obligation bonds, for one1249purpose, that the subdivision has power or authority to issue.1250

(B) When the taxing authority of a subdivision desires or
is required by law to submit the question of a bond issue to the
electors, it shall pass legislation that does all of the
following:

(1) Declares the necessity and purpose of the bond issue; 1255

(2) States the date of the authorized election at which1256the question shall be submitted to the electors;1257

(3) States the amount, approximate date, estimated net
average rate of interest, and maximum number of years over which
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the principal of the bonds may be paid;
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(4) Declares the necessity of levying a tax outside the1261tax limitation to pay the debt charges on the bonds and any1262

anticipatory securities.

The estimated net average interest rate shall be 1264 determined by the taxing authority based on, among other 1265 factors, then existing market conditions, and may reflect 1266 adjustments for any anticipated direct payments expected to be 1267 received by the taxing authority from the government of the 1268 United States relating to the bonds and the effect of any 1269 federal tax credits anticipated to be available to owners of all 1270 or a portion of the bonds. The estimated net average rate of 1271 1272 interest, and any statutory or charter limit on interest rates that may then be in effect and that is subsequently amended, 1273 shall not be a limitation on the actual interest rate or rates 1274 on the securities when issued. 1275

(C) (1) (C) The taxing authority shall certify a copy of 1276 the legislation passed under division (B) of this section to the 1277 county auditor. The county auditor shall promptly calculate and 1278 advise and, not later than ninety days before the election, 1279 confirm that advice by certification to, the taxing authority 1280 the estimated average annual property tax levy, expressed in 1281 cents or dollars and cents for each one hundred dollars of tax 1282 valuation and in mills for each one dollar of tax valuation, 1283 that the county auditor estimates to be required throughout the 1284 stated maturity of the bonds to pay the debt charges on the 1285 bonds. In calculating the estimated average annual property tax 1286 levy for this purpose, the county auditor shall assume that the 1287 bonds are issued in one series bearing interest and maturing in 1288 substantially equal principal amounts in each year over the 1289 maximum number of years over which the principal of the bonds 1290 may be paid as stated in that legislation, and that the amount 1291 of the tax valuation of the subdivision for the current year 1292 remains the same throughout the maturity of the bonds , except 1293

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| as otherwise provided in division (C)(2) of this section. If the   | 1294   |
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| tax valuation for the current year is not determined, the county   | 1295   |
| auditor shall base the calculation on the estimated amount of  | 1296   |
| the tax valuation submitted by the county auditor to the county  | 1297   |
| budget commission. If the subdivision is located in more than  | 1298   |
| one county, the county auditor shall obtain the assistance of  | 1299   |
| the county auditors of the other counties, and those county  | 1300   |
| auditors shall provide assistance, in establishing the tax   | 1301   |
| valuation of the subdivision for purposes of certifying the  | 1302   |
| estimated average annual property tax levy.  | 1303   |
| (2) When considering the tangible personal property  | 1304   |
| component of the tax valuation of the subdivision, the county  | 1305   |
| auditor shall take into account the assessment percentages   | 1306   |
| prescribed in section 5711.22 of the Revised Code. The tax   | 1307   |
| commissioner may issue rules, orders, or instructions directing  | 1308   |
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| <pre>how the assessment percentages must be utilized.     (D) After receiving the county auditor's advice under division (C) of this section, the taxing authority by legislation may determine to proceed with submitting the question of the issue of securities, and shall, not later than the ninetieth day before the day of the election, file the following with the board of elections:     (1) Copies of the legislation provided for in divisions (B) and (D) of this section;     (2) The amount of the estimated average annual property tax levy, expressed in cents or dollars and cents for each one hundred dollars of tax valuation and in mills for each one</pre> | 1309<br>1310<br>1311<br>1312<br>1313<br>1314<br>1315<br>1316<br>1317<br>1318<br>1319<br>1320 |

(E) (1) The board of elections shall prepare the ballots 1323 and make other necessary arrangements for the submission of the 1324 question to the electors of the subdivision. If the subdivision 1325 is located in more than one county, the board shall inform the 1326 boards of elections of the other counties of the filings with 1327 it, and those other boards shall if appropriate make the other 1328 necessary arrangements for the election in their counties. The 1329 election shall be conducted, canvassed, and certified in the 1330 manner provided in Title XXXV of the Revised Code. 1331

(2) The election shall be held at the regular places for 1332 voting in the subdivision. If the electors of only a part of a 1333 precinct are qualified to vote at the election the board of 1334 elections may assign the electors in that part to an adjoining 1335 precinct, including an adjoining precinct in another county if 1336 the board of elections of the other county consents to and 1337 approves the assignment. Each elector so assigned shall be 1338 notified of that fact prior to the election by notice mailed by 1339 the board of elections, in such manner as it determines, prior 1340 to the election. 1341

(3) The board of elections shall publish a notice of the
election once in a newspaper of general circulation in the
subdivision, no later than ten days prior to the election. The
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notice shall state all of the following:

(a) The principal amount of the proposed bond issue; 1346

(b) The stated purpose for which the bonds are to be 1347 issued; 1348

(c) The maximum number of years over which the principal 1349of the bonds may be paid; 1350

(d) The estimated additional average annual property tax 1351

levy, expressed in cents or dollars and cents for each one 1352 hundred dollars of tax valuation and in mills for each one 1353 dollar of tax valuation, to be levied outside the tax 1354 limitation, as estimated and certified to the taxing authority 1355 by the county auditor; 1356

(e) The first calendar year in which the tax is expected1357to be due.1358

(F) (1) The form of the ballot to be used at the electionshall be substantially either of the following, as applicable:1360

(a) "Shall bonds be issued by the ..... (name of 1361 subdivision) for the purpose of ..... (purpose of the bond 1362 issue) in the principal amount of ..... (principal amount 1363 of the bond issue), to be repaid annually over a maximum period 1364 of ..... (the maximum number of years over which the 1365 principal of the bonds may be paid) years, and an annual levy of 1366 property taxes be made outside the ..... (as applicable, 1367 "ten-mill" or "...charter tax") limitation, estimated by the 1368 county auditor to average over the repayment period of the bond 1369 issue ...... (number of mills) mills for each one dollar of 1370 tax valuation, which amounts to ..... (rate expressed in 1371 cents or dollars and cents, such as "36 cents" or "\$1.41") for 1372 each one hundred dollars of tax valuation, commencing in 1373 ..... (first year the tax will be levied), first due in 1374 calendar year ..... (first calendar year in which the tax 1375 shall be due), to pay the annual debt charges on the bonds, and 1376 to pay debt charges on any notes issued in anticipation of those 1377 bonds? 1378

For the bond issue

Against the bond issue

(b) In the case of an election held pursuant to1380legislation adopted under section 3375.43 or 3375.431 of the1381Revised Code:1382

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"Shall bonds be issued for ..... (name of library) 1383 for the purpose of ..... (purpose of the bond issue), in 1384 the principal amount of ..... (amount of the bond issue) by 1385 ..... (the name of the subdivision that is to issue the 1386 bonds and levy the tax) as the issuer of the bonds, to be repaid 1387 annually over a maximum period of ..... (the maximum number 1388 of years over which the principal of the bonds may be paid) 1389 years, and an annual levy of property taxes be made outside the 1390 ten-mill limitation, estimated by the county auditor to average 1391 over the repayment period of the bond issue ..... (number 1392 of mills) mills for each one dollar of tax valuation, which 1393 amounts to ..... (rate expressed in cents or dollars and 1394 cents, such as "36 cents" or "\$1.41") for each one hundred 1395 dollars of tax valuation, commencing in ..... (first year 1396 the tax will be levied), first due in calendar year ..... 1397 (first calendar year in which the tax shall be due), to pay the 1398 annual debt charges on the bonds, and to pay debt charges on any 1399 notes issued in anticipation of those bonds? 1400

For the bond issue Against the bond issue

(2) The purpose for which the bonds are to be issued shallbe printed in the space indicated, in boldface type.1403

(G) The board of elections shall promptly certify the 1404 results of the election to the tax commissioner, the county 1405 auditor of each county in which any part of the subdivision is 1406 located, and the fiscal officer of the subdivision. The 1407 election, including the proceedings for and result of the 1408 election, is incontestable other than in a contest filed under 1409 section 3515.09 of the Revised Code in which the plaintiff 1410 1411 prevails.

(H) If a majority of the electors voting upon the question 1412 vote for it, the taxing authority of the subdivision may proceed 1413 under sections 133.21 to 133.33 of the Revised Code with the 1414 issuance of the securities and with the levy and collection of a 1415 property tax outside the tax limitation during the period the 1416 securities are outstanding sufficient in amount to pay the debt 1417 charges on the securities, including debt charges on any 1418 anticipatory securities required to be paid from that tax. If 1419 legislation passed under section 133.22 or 133.23 of the Revised 1420 Code authorizing those securities is filed with the county 1421 auditor on or before the last day of November, the amount of the 1422 1423 voted property tax levy required to pay debt charges or estimated debt charges on the securities payable in the 1424 following year shall if requested by the taxing authority be 1425 included in the taxes levied for collection in the following 1426 year under section 319.30 of the Revised Code. 1427

(I) (1) If, before any securities authorized at an election
under this section are issued, the net indebtedness of the
subdivision exceeds that applicable to that subdivision or those
securities, then and so long as that is the case none of the

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securities may be issued.

(2) No securities authorized at an election under this 1433 section may be initially issued after the first day of the sixth 1434 January following the election, but this period of limitation 1435 shall not run for any time during which any part of the 1436 permanent improvement for which the securities have been 1437 authorized, or the issuing or validity of any part of the 1438 securities issued or to be issued, or the related proceedings, 1439 is involved or questioned before a court or a commission or 1440 1441 other tribunal, administrative agency, or board.

(3) Securities representing a portion of the amount
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authorized at an election that are issued within the applicable
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limitation on net indebtedness are valid and in no manner
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affected by the fact that the balance of the securities
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authorized cannot be issued by reason of the net indebtedness
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limitation or lapse of time.

(4) Nothing in this division (I) shall be interpreted or 1448
applied to prevent the issuance of securities in an amount to 1449
fund or refund anticipatory securities lawfully issued. 1450

(5) The limitations of divisions (I) (1) and (2) of this 1451 section do not apply to any securities authorized at an election 1452 under this section if at least ten per cent of the principal 1453 amount of the securities, including anticipatory securities, 1454 authorized has theretofore been issued, or if the securities are 1455 to be issued for the purpose of participating in any federally 1456 or state-assisted program. 1457

(6) The certificate of the fiscal officer of the 1458subdivision is conclusive proof of the facts referred to in this 1459division. 1460

Sec. 135.142. (A) In addition to the investments 1461 authorized by section 135.14 of the Revised Code, any board of 1462 education, by a two-thirds vote of its members, may authorize 1463 the treasurer of the board of education to invest up to forty 1464 per cent of the interim moneys of the board, available for 1465 investment at any one time, in either of the following: 1466

(1) Commercial paper notes issued by any entity that is
defined in division (D) of section 1705.01 of the Revised Code
and has assets exceeding five hundred million dollars, and to
which notes all of the following apply:

(a) The notes are rated at the time of purchase in the
highest classification established by at least two nationally
recognized standard rating services.

(b) The aggregate value of the notes does not exceed ten1474per cent of the aggregate value of the outstanding commercial1475paper of the issuing corporation.1476

(c) The notes mature no later than two hundred seventy1477days after purchase.

(d) The investment in commercial paper notes of a single 1479
issuer shall not exceed in the aggregate five per cent of 1480
interim moneys of the board available for investment at the time 1481
of purchase. 1482

(2) Bankers' acceptances of banks that are insured by the
federal deposit insurance corporation and that mature no later
than one hundred eighty days after purchase.

(B) No investment authorized pursuant to division (A) of
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 this section shall be made, whether or not authorized by a board
 of education, unless the treasurer of the board of education has
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 completed additional training for making the types of

investments authorized pursuant to division (A) of this section. 1490
The type and amount of such training shall be approved and may 1491
be conducted by or provided under the supervision of the 1492
treasurer of state. 1493

(C) The treasurer of the board of education shall prepare 1494 annually and submit to the board of education, the 1495 superintendent of public instruction, and the auditor of state, 1496 on or before the thirty-first day of August, a report listing 1497 each investment made pursuant to division (A) of this section 1498 during the preceding fiscal year, income earned from such 1499 investments, fees and commissions paid pursuant to division (D) 1500 of this section, and any other information required by the 1501 board, the superintendent, and the auditor of state. 1502

(E) (1) In addition to the investments authorized by 1506 section 135.14 of the Revised Code and division (A) of this 1507 section, any board of education that is a party to an agreement 1508 with the treasurer of state pursuant to division (G) of section 1509 135.143 of the Revised Code and that has outstanding obligations 1510 issued under authority of section 133.10 or 133.301 of the 1511 Revised Code may authorize the treasurer of the board of 1512 education to invest interim moneys of the board in debt 1513 interests rated in either of the two highest rating 1514 classifications by at least two nationally recognized standard 1515 rating services and issued by entities that are defined in 1516 division (D) of section 1705.01 of the Revised Code. The debt 1517 interests purchased under authority of division (E) of this 1518 section shall mature not later than the latest maturity date of 1519 the outstanding obligations issued under authority of section1520133.10 or 133.301 of the Revised Code.1521

(2) If any of the debt interests acquired under division 1522 (E) (1) of this section ceases to be rated as there required, its 1523 issuer shall notify the treasurer of state of this fact within 1524 twenty-four hours. At any time thereafter the treasurer of state 1525 may require collateralization at the rate of one hundred two per 1526 cent of any remaining obligation of the entity, with securities 1527 authorized for investment under section 135.143 of the Revised 1528 Code. The collateral shall be delivered to and held by a 1529 custodian acceptable to the treasurer of state, marked to market 1530 daily, and any default to be cured within twelve hours. 1531 Unlimited substitution shall be allowed of comparable 1532 securities. 1533

Sec. 305.31. The procedure for submitting to a referendum 1534 a resolution adopted by a board of county commissioners under 1535 division (H) of section 307.695 of the Revised Code that is not 1536 submitted to the electors of the county for their approval or 1537 disapproval; any resolution adopted by a board of county 1538 commissioners pursuant to division (D)(1) of section 307.697, 1539 section 322.02, or 322.06, sections 940.31 and 940.33, division 1540 (B)(1) of section 4301.421, section 4504.02, 5739.021, or 1541 5739.026, division (A)(6)(F), (A)(10)(J), or (M)(U) of section 1542 5739.09, section 5741.021 or 5741.023, or division (C)(1) of 1543 section 5743.024 of the Revised Code; or a rule adopted pursuant 1544 to section 307.79 of the Revised Code shall be as prescribed by 1545 this section. 1546

Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, when a 1547 petition, signed by ten per cent of the number of electors who 1548 voted for governor at the most recent general election for the 1549

office of governor in the county, is filed with the county 1550 auditor within thirty days after the date the resolution is 1551 passed or rule is adopted by the board of county commissioners, 1552 or is filed within forty-five days after the resolution is 1553 passed, in the case of a resolution adopted pursuant to section 1554 5739.021 of the Revised Code that is passed within one year 1555 after a resolution adopted pursuant to that section has been 1556 rejected or repealed by the electors, requesting that the 1557 resolution be submitted to the electors of the county for their 1558 approval or rejection, the county auditor shall, after ten days 1559 following the filing of the petition, and not later than four 1560 p.m. of the ninetieth day before the day of election, transmit a 1561 certified copy of the text of the resolution or rule to the 1562 board of elections. In the case of a petition requesting that a 1563 resolution adopted under division (D)(1) of section 307.697, 1564 division (B)(1) of section 4301.421, or division (C)(1) of 1565 section 5743.024 of the Revised Code be submitted to electors 1566 for their approval or rejection, the petition shall be signed by 1567 seven per cent of the number of electors who voted for governor 1568 at the most recent election for the office of governor in the 1569 county. The county auditor shall transmit the petition to the 1570 board together with the certified copy of the resolution or 1571 rule. The board shall examine all signatures on the petition to 1572 determine the number of electors of the county who signed the 1573 petition. The board shall return the petition to the auditor 1574 within ten days after receiving it, together with a statement 1575 attesting to the number of such electors who signed the 1576 petition. The board shall submit the resolution or rule to the 1577 electors of the county, for their approval or rejection, at the 1578 succeeding general election held in the county in any year, or 1579 on the day of the succeeding primary election held in the county 1580 1581 in even-numbered years, occurring subsequent to ninety days

after the auditor certifies the sufficiency and validity of the 1582 petition to the board of elections.

No resolution shall go into effect until approved by the 1584 majority of those voting upon it. However, a rule shall take 1585 effect and remain in effect unless and until a majority of the 1586 electors voting on the question of repeal approve the repeal. 1587 Sections 305.31 to 305.41 of the Revised Code do not prevent a 1588 county, after the passage of any resolution or adoption of any 1589 rule, from proceeding at once to give any notice or make any 1590 1591 publication required by the resolution or rule.

The board of county commissioners shall make available to 1592 any person, upon request, a certified copy of any resolution or 1593 rule subject to the procedure for submitting a referendum under 1594 sections 305.31 to 305.42 of the Revised Code beginning on the 1595 date the resolution or rule is adopted by the board. The board 1596 may charge a fee for the cost of copying the resolution or rule. 1597

As used in this section, "certified copy" means a copy 1598 containing a written statement attesting that it is a true and 1599 exact reproduction of the original resolution or rule. 1600

Sec. 306.322. (A) For any regional transit authority that 1601 levies a property tax and that includes in its membership 1602 1603 political subdivisions that are located in a county having a population of at least four hundred thousand according to the 1604 most recent federal census, the procedures of this section apply 1605 until November 5, 2013, and are in addition to and an 1606 alternative to those established in sections 306.32 and 306.321 1607 of the Revised Code for joining to the regional transit 1608 authority additional counties, municipal corporations, or 1609 townships. 1610

(B) Any municipal corporation or township may adopt a
resolution or ordinance proposing to join a regional transit
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authority described in division (A) of this section. In its
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resolution or ordinance, the political subdivision may propose
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joining the regional transit authority for a limited period of
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three years or without a time limit.

(C) The political subdivision proposing to join the 1617 regional transit authority shall submit a copy of its resolution 1618 or ordinance to the legislative authority of each municipal 1619 corporation and the board of trustees of each township 1620 comprising the regional transit authority. Within thirty days of 1621 receiving the resolution or ordinance for inclusion in the 1622 regional transit authority, the legislative authority of each 1623 municipal corporation and the board of trustees of each township 1624 shall consider the question of whether to include the additional 1625 subdivision in the regional transit authority, shall adopt a 1626 resolution or ordinance approving or rejecting the inclusion of 1627 the additional subdivision, and shall present its resolution or 1628 ordinance to the board of trustees of the regional transit 1629 authority. 1630

(D) If a majority of the political subdivisions comprising 1631 1632 the regional transit authority approve the inclusion of the additional political subdivision, the board of trustees of the 1633 regional transit authority, not later than the tenth day 1634 following the day on which the last ordinance or resolution is 1635 presented, shall notify the subdivision proposing to join the 1636 regional transit authority that it may certify the proposal to 1637 the board of elections for the purpose of having the proposal 1638 placed on the ballot at the next general election or at a 1639 special election conducted on the day of the next primary 1640 election that occurs not less than ninety days after the 1641

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| resolution or ordinance is certified to the board of elections.     | 1642 |
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| (E) Upon certification of a proposal to the board of                | 1643 |
| elections pursuant to this section, the board of elections shall    | 1644 |
| make the necessary arrangements for the submission of the           | 1645 |
| question to the electors of the territory to be included in the     | 1646 |
| regional transit authority qualified to vote on the question,       | 1647 |
| and the election shall be held, canvassed, and certified in the     | 1648 |
| same manner as regular elections for the election of officers of    | 1649 |
| the subdivision proposing to join the regional transit              | 1650 |
| authority, except that, if the resolution proposed the inclusion    | 1651 |
| without a time limitation the question appearing on the ballot      | 1652 |
| shall read:   | 1653 |
| "Shall the territory within the                                     | 1654 |
| (Name or names of political subdivisions to be joined) be added     | 1655 |
| to (Name) regional transit  | 1656 |
| authority?" and shall $a(n)$ (here insert type of tax               | 1657 |
| or taxes) at a rate of taxation not to exceed $\ldots$ (here insert | 1658 |
| maximum tax rate or rates) be levied for all transit purposes?"     | 1659 |
| If the resolution proposed the inclusion with a three-year          | 1660 |
| time limitation, the question appearing on the ballot shall         | 1661 |
| read:   | 1662 |
| "Shall the territory within the                                     | 1663 |
| (Name or names of political subdivisions to be joined) be added     | 1664 |
| to (Name) regional transit  | 1665 |
| authority?" for three years and shall $a(n)$ (here                  | 1666 |
| insert type of tax or taxes) at a rate of taxation not to exceed    | 1667 |
| (here insert maximum tax rate or rates) be levied for all           | 1668 |
| transit purposes for three years?"                                  | 1669 |
| (F) If the question is approved by at least a majority of           | 1670 |

the electors voting on the question, the addition of the new 1671 territory is effective six months from the date of the 1672 certification of its passage, and the regional transit authority 1673 may extend the levy of the tax against all the taxable property 1674 within the territory that was added. If the question is approved 1675 at a general election or at a special election occurring prior 1676 to the general election but after the fifteenth day of July, the 1677 regional transit authority may amend its budget and resolution 1678 adopted pursuant to section 5705.34 of the Revised Code, and the 1679 levy shall be placed on the current tax list and duplicate and 1680 collected as other taxes are collected from all taxable property 1681 within the territorial boundaries of the regional transit 1682 authority, including the territory within the political 1683 subdivision added as a result of the election. If the budget of 1684 the regional transit authority is amended pursuant to this 1685 paragraph, the county auditor shall prepare and deliver an 1686 amended certificate of estimated resources to reflect the change 1687 in anticipated revenues of the regional transit authority. 1688

(G) If the question is approved by at least a majority of
the electors voting on the question, the board of trustees of
the regional transit authority immediately shall amend the
resolution or ordinance creating the regional transit authority
to include the additional political subdivision.

(H) If the question approved by a majority of the electors 1694 voting on the question added the subdivision for three years, 1695 the territory of the additional municipal corporation or 1696 township in the regional transit authority shall be removed from 1697 the territory of the regional transit authority three years 1698 after the date the territory was added, as determined in the 1699 effective date of the election, and shall no longer be a part of 1700 that authority without any further action by either the 1701

political subdivisions that were included in the authority prior 1702 to submitting the question to the electors or of the political 1703 subdivision added to the authority as a result of the election. 1704 The regional transit authority reduced to its territory as it 1705 existed prior to the inclusion of the additional municipal 1706 corporation or township shall be entitled to levy and collect 1707 any property taxes that it was authorized to levy and collect 1708 prior to the enlargement of its territory and for which 1709 authorization has not expired, as if the enlargement had not 1710 occurred. 1711

Sec. 307.671. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Bonds" means, as the context requires: general
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obligation bonds of the county, or notes in anticipation
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thereof, described in division (B) (1) (b) of this section;
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revenue bonds of the port authority described in division (B) (2)
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(a) of this section; and urban renewal bonds, or notes in
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anticipation thereof, of the host municipal corporation
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described in division (B) (3) (a) of this section.

(2) "Corporation" means a nonprofit corporation that is
organized under the laws of this state and that includes within
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the purposes for which it is incorporated the authorization to
lease and operate facilities such as a port authority
educational and cultural facility.

(3) "Debt service charges" means, for any period or 1725
payable at any time, the principal of and interest and any 1726
premium due on bonds for that period or payable at that time 1727
whether due at maturity or upon mandatory redemption, together 1728
with any required deposits to reserves for the payment of 1729
principal of and interest on such bonds, and includes any 1730
payments required by the port authority to satisfy any of its 1731

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obligations arising from any guaranty agreements, reimbursement1732agreements, or other credit enhancement agreements described in1733division (C) of this section.1734

(4) "Host municipal corporation" means the municipal
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 corporation within the boundaries of which the port authority
 educational and cultural facility is located.
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(5) "Port authority" means a port authority created
pursuant to the authority of section 4582.02 of the Revised Code
by a county and a host municipal corporation.
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(6) "Port authority educational and cultural facility" 1741 means a facility located within an urban renewal area that may 1742 consist of a museum, archives, library, hall of fame, center for 1743 contemporary music, or other facilities necessary to provide 1744 programs of an educational and cultural nature, together with 1745 all parking facilities, walkways, and other auxiliary 1746 facilities, real and personal property, property rights, 1747 easements, and interests that may be appropriate for, or used in 1748 connection with, the operation of the facility. 1749

(7) "Urban renewal area" means an area of a host municipal
corporation that the legislative authority of the host municipal
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corporation has, at any time, designated as appropriate for an
urban renewal project pursuant to Chapter 725. of the Revised
Code.

(B) The board of county commissioners of a county, a port 1755
authority, and a host municipal corporation may enter into a 1756
cooperative agreement with a corporation, under which: 1757

(1) The board of county commissioners agrees to do all of 1758the following: 1759

(a) Levy a tax under division (D) (N) of section 5739.09 1760

of the Revised Code exclusively for the purposes described in 1761 divisions (B)(1)(c) and (d) of this section; 1762

(b) Issue general obligation bonds of the county, or notes 1763 in anticipation thereof, pursuant to Chapter 133. of the Revised 1764 Code, for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, and equipping 1765 the port authority educational and cultural facility and 1766 contribute the proceeds from the issuance to the port authority 1767 for such purpose. The cooperative agreement may provide that 1768 such proceeds be deposited with and administered by the trustee 1769 pursuant to the trust agreement provided for in division (C) of 1770 this section. 1771

(c) Following the issuance, sale, and delivery of the port 1772 authority revenue bonds provided for in division (B)(2)(a) of 1773 this section, and prior to the date certain stated in the 1774 cooperative agreement which shall be the date estimated for the 1775 completion of construction of the port authority educational and 1776 cultural facility, pledge and contribute to the port authority 1777 revenue from the tax levied pursuant to division (B)(1)(a) of 1778 this section, together with any investment earnings on that 1779 revenue, to pay a portion of the costs of acquiring, 1780 constructing, and equipping the port authority educational and 1781 cultural facility; 1782

(d) Following such date certain, pledge and contribute to1783the corporation all or such portion as provided for in the1784cooperative agreement of the revenue from the tax, together with1785any investment earnings on that revenue, to pay a portion of the1786costs of the corporation of leasing the port authority1787educational and cultural facility from the port authority.1788

(2) The port authority agrees to do all of the following: 1789

(a) Issue revenue bonds of the port authority pursuant to 1790 Chapter 4582. of the Revised Code for the purpose of acquiring, 1791 constructing, and equipping the port authority educational and 1792 cultural facility; 1793 (b) Construct the port authority educational and cultural 1794 facility; 1795 (c) Lease the port authority educational and cultural 1796 1797 facility to the corporation; (d) To the extent provided for in the cooperative 1798 agreement or the lease to the corporation, authorize the 1799 corporation to administer on behalf of the port authority the 1800 contracts for acquiring, constructing, or equipping a port 1801 authority educational and cultural facility; 1802 (e) Use the revenue derived from the lease of the port 1803 authority educational and cultural facility to the corporation 1804 solely to pay debt service charges on the revenue bonds of the 1805 port authority described in division (B)(2)(a) of this section. 1806 (3) The host municipal corporation agrees to do both of 1807 the following: 1808 (a) Issue urban renewal bonds of the host municipal 1809 1810 corporation, or notes in anticipation thereof, pursuant to Chapter 725. of the Revised Code for the purpose of acquiring 1811 and constructing the port authority educational and cultural 1812 facility and contribute the proceeds from the issuance to the 1813 port authority for such purpose. The cooperative agreement may 1814 provide that such proceeds be deposited with and administered by 1815 the trustee pursuant to the trust agreement provided for in 1816 division (C) of this section. 1817

(b) To the extent provided for in the cooperative 1818

agreement, contribute to the county, for use by the county to 1819 pay debt service charges on the bonds of the county, or notes in 1820 anticipation thereof, described in division (B)(1)(b) of this 1821 section, any excess urban renewal service payments pledged by 1822 the host municipal corporation to the urban renewal bonds 1823 described in division (B)(3)(a) of this section and not required 1824 on an annual basis to pay debt service charges on the urban 1825 renewal bonds. 1826

(4) The corporation agrees to do all of the following: 1827

- (a) Lease the port authority educational and culturalfacility from the port authority;1829
- (b) Operate and maintain the port authority educationaland cultural facility pursuant to the lease;1831

(c) To the extent provided for in the cooperative
agreement or the lease from the port authority, administer on
behalf of the port authority the contracts for acquiring,
constructing, or equipping a port authority educational and
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cultural facility.

(C) The pledges and contributions described in divisions 1837 (B)(1)(c) and (d) of this section and provided for in the 1838 cooperative agreement shall be for the period stated in the 1839 cooperative agreement, but shall not be in excess of the period 1840 necessary to provide for the final retirement of the port 1841 authority revenue bonds provided for in division (B)(2)(a) of 1842 this section and any bonds issued by the port authority to 1843 refund such bonds, and for the satisfaction by the port 1844 authority of any of its obligations arising from any guaranty 1845 agreements, reimbursement agreements, or other credit 1846 enhancement agreements relating to such bonds or to the revenues 1847 pledged to such bonds. The cooperative agreement shall provide1848for the termination of the cooperative agreement including the1849pledges and contributions described in divisions (B) (1) (c) and1850(d) of this section if the port authority revenue bonds provided1851for in division (B) (2) (a) of this section have not been issued,1852sold, and delivered within two years of the effective date of1853the cooperative agreement.1854

The cooperative agreement shall provide that any revenue 1855 bonds of the port authority shall be secured by a trust 1856 1857 agreement between the port authority and a corporate trustee that is a trust company or bank having the powers of a trust 1858 company within or outside the state. The county may be a party 1859 to such trust agreement for the purpose of securing the pledge 1860 by the county of its contribution to the corporation pursuant to 1861 division (B)(1)(d) of this section. A tax levied pursuant to 1862 division (B)(1)(a) of this section is not subject to diminution 1863 by initiative or referendum or diminution by statute, unless 1864 provision is made therein for an adequate substitute therefor 1865 reasonably satisfactory to the trustee under the trust agreement 1866 that secures the revenue bonds of the port authority. 1867

(D) A pledge of money by a county under this section shall
not be net indebtedness of the county for purposes of section
133.07 of the Revised Code.
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(E) If the terms of the cooperative agreement so provide, 1871 any contract for the acquisition, construction, or equipping of 1872 a port authority educational and cultural facility shall be made 1873 in such manner as is determined by the board of directors of the 1874 port authority, and unless the cooperative agreement provides 1875 otherwise, such a contract is not subject to division (A) of 1876 section 4582.12 of the Revised Code. The port authority may take 1877

the assignment of and assume any contracts for the acquisition, 1878 construction, and equipping of a port authority educational and 1879 cultural facility that previously have been authorized by either 1880 or both the host municipal corporation or the corporation. Such 1881 contracts likewise are not subject to division (A) of section 1882 4582.12 of the Revised Code. 1883

Any contract for the acquisition, construction, or 1884 equipping of a port authority educational and cultural facility 1885 entered into, assigned, or assumed pursuant to this division 1886 shall provide that all laborers and mechanics employed for the 1887 acquisition, construction, or equipping of the port authority 1888 educational and cultural facility shall be paid at the 1889 prevailing rates of wages of laborers and mechanics for the 1890 class of work called for by the port authority educational and 1891 cultural facility, which wages shall be determined in accordance 1892 with the requirements of Chapter 4115. of the Revised Code for 1893 the determination of prevailing wage rates. 1894

# Sec. 307.672. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Bonds" means general obligation bonds, or notes in
anticipation thereof, of the county described in division (B) (1)
(b) of this section, and general obligation bonds, or notes in
anticipation thereof, of the host municipal corporation
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described in division (B) (2) (a) of this section.

(2) "Corporation" means a nonprofit corporation that is
organized under the laws of this state and that includes within
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the purposes for which it is incorporated the authorization to
lease and operate facilities such as a municipal educational and
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cultural facility.

(3) "Debt service charges" means, for any period or

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payable at any time, the principal of and interest and any1907premium due on bonds for that period or payable at that time1908whether due at maturity or upon mandatory redemption, together1909with any required deposits to reserves for the payment of1910principal of and interest on such bonds.1911

(4) "Host municipal corporation" means the municipal
corporation within the boundaries of which a municipal
educational and cultural facility is or will be located.
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(5) "Municipal educational and cultural facility" means a 1915 facility that may consist of a museum, archives, library, hall 1916 of fame, center for contemporary music, or other facilities 1917 necessary to provide programs of an educational, recreational, 1918 and cultural nature, together with all parking facilities, 1919 walkways, and other auxiliary facilities, real and personal 1920 property, property rights, easements, and interests that may be 1921 appropriate for, or used in connection with, the operation of 1922 the facility. 1923

(B) The legislative authorities of a county and a host
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municipal corporation may enter into a cooperative agreement
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with a corporation, under which:
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(1) The legislative authority of the county agrees to: 1927

(a) Levy a tax under division (E) (0) of section 5739.09
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of the Revised Code, for a period not to exceed fifteen years
unless extended under that division for an additional period of
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time, to pay the costs of acquiring, constructing, equipping,
and improving a municipal educational and cultural facility,
including the debt service charges on bonds;

(b) Issue bonds of the county pursuant to Chapter 133. of1934the Revised Code for the purpose of acquiring, constructing,1935

equipping, and improving a municipal educational and cultural 1936 facility; 1937 (c) Contribute revenue from the tax and the proceeds from 1938 the bonds described in divisions (B)(1)(a) and (b) of this 1939 section to the host municipal corporation for the purpose of 1940 acquiring, constructing, equipping, and improving a municipal 1941 educational and cultural facility; 1942 (2) The host municipal corporation agrees to: 1943 (a) Issue bonds of the host municipal corporation pursuant 1944 to Chapter 133. of the Revised Code for the purpose of 1945 acquiring, constructing, equipping, and improving a municipal 1946 educational and cultural facility; 1947 (b) Acquire, construct, equip, and improve a municipal 1948 educational and cultural facility; 1949 (c) Accept from the county pursuant to the cooperative 1950 agreement the revenues of the tax and the proceeds of the bonds 1951 described in divisions (B)(1)(a) and (b) of this section; 1952 (d) Lease a municipal educational and cultural facility to 1953 the corporation, or contract with the corporation for the 1954 1955 operation and maintenance of the facility; 1956 (e) To the extent provided for in the cooperative 1957 agreement or the lease or contract with the corporation, authorize the corporation to administer on behalf of the host 1958 municipal corporation the contracts for acquiring, constructing, 1959 equipping, and improving a municipal educational and cultural 1960 facility. 1961 (3) The corporation agrees to: 1962

(a) Either lease the municipal educational and cultural 1963

facility from the host municipal corporation and operate and 1964 maintain the facility pursuant to the lease, or enter into a 1965 contract with the host municipal corporation pursuant to which 1966 the corporation shall operate and maintain the facility on 1967 behalf of the host municipal corporation; 1968

(b) To the extent provided for in the cooperative1969agreement or the lease or contract with the host municipal1970corporation, administer on behalf of the host municipal1971corporation the contracts for acquiring, constructing,1972equipping, or improving a municipal educational and cultural1973facility.1974

(C) A tax levied pursuant to division  $\frac{(E)}{(O)}$  of section 1975 5739.09 of the Revised Code, the revenue from which is to be 1976 used to pay debt service charges on bonds described in division 1977 (B) (1) or (2) of this section is not subject to diminution by 1978 initiative or referendum or diminution by statute, unless 1979 provision is made therein for an adequate substitute therefor 1980 reasonably satisfactory to the legislative authorities of the 1981 host municipal corporation and the county. 1982

(D) The legislative authorities of a county and a host 1983 municipal corporation that have entered into a cooperative 1984 agreement with a corporation pursuant to division (B) of this 1985 section may amend that cooperative agreement, with the 1986 participation of the corporation and a port authority as defined 1987 in section 307.674 of the Revised Code, to provide also for a 1988 port authority educational and cultural performing arts facility 1989 in accordance with section 307.674 of the Revised Code. Such an 1990 amendment shall become effective only to the extent that the tax 1991 levied under division  $\frac{(E)}{(O)}$  of section 5739.09 of the Revised 1992 Code is not needed for the duration of the original tax to pay 1993

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costs of the municipal educational and cultural facility, 1994 including debt service charges on related bonds, as determined 1995 by the parties to the amendment. The tax may be pledged and paid 1996 by the parties to the amendment for the balance of the duration 1997 of the tax to a port authority educational and cultural 1998 performing arts facility. 1999 Sec. 307.674. (A) As used in this section: 2000 (1) "Bonds" means: 2001 (a) Revenue bonds of the port authority described in 2002 division (B)(2)(a) of this section; 2003 (b) Securities as defined in division (KK) of section 2004 133.01 of the Revised Code issued by the host municipal 2005 corporation, described in division (B)(3)(a) of this section; 2006 (c) Any bonds issued to refund any of those revenue bonds 2007 or securities. 2008 (2) "Corporation" means a nonprofit corporation that is 2009 organized under the laws of this state and that includes within 2010 the purposes for which it is incorporated the authorization to 2011 lease and operate facilities such as a port authority 2012 educational and cultural performing arts facility. 2013 (3) "Cost," as applied to a port authority educational and 2014 cultural performing arts facility, means the cost of acquiring, 2015 constructing, renovating, rehabilitating, equipping, or 2016 improving the facility, or any combination of those purposes, 2017 collectively referred to in this section as "construction," and 2018 the cost of acquisition of all land, rights of way, property 2019 rights, easements, franchise rights, and interests required for 2020 those purposes, the cost of demolishing or removing any 2021

buildings or structures on land so acquired, including the cost

of acquiring any land to which those buildings or structures may 2023 be moved, the cost of public utility and common carrier 2024 relocation or duplication, the cost of all machinery, 2025 furnishings, and equipment, financing charges, interest prior to 2026 and during construction and for not more than three years after 2027 completion of construction, costs arising under guaranty 2028 agreements, reimbursement agreements, or other credit 2029 enhancement agreements relating to bonds, engineering, expenses 2030 of research and development with respect to such facility, legal 2031 expenses, plans, specifications, surveys, studies, estimates of 2032 costs and revenues, other expenses necessary or incident to 2033 determining the feasibility or practicability of acquiring or 2034 constructing the facility, administrative expense, and other 2035 expenses as may be necessary or incident to that acquisition or 2036 construction and the financing of such acquisition or 2037 construction, including, with respect to the revenue bonds of a 2038 port authority, amounts to be paid into any special funds from 2039 the proceeds of those bonds, and repayments to the port 2040 authority, host county, host municipal corporation, or 2041 corporation of any amounts advanced for the foregoing purposes. 2042

(4) "Debt service charges" means, for any period or 2043 payable at any time, the principal of and interest and any 2044 premium due on bonds for that period or payable at that time 2045 whether due at maturity or upon mandatory redemption, together 2046 with any required deposits to reserves for the payment of 2047 principal of and interest on those bonds, and includes any 2048 payments required by the port authority to satisfy any of its 2049 obligations under or arising from any guaranty agreements, 2050 reimbursement agreements, or other credit enhancement agreements 2051 described in division (C) of this section. 2052

(5) "Host county" means the county within the boundaries 2053

of which the port authority educational and cultural performing arts facility is or will be located.

(6) "Host municipal corporation" means the municipal
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 corporation within the boundaries of which the port authority
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 located.

(7) "Port authority" means a port authority created2060pursuant to section 4582.22 of the Revised Code.2061

(8) "Port authority educational and cultural performing 2062 arts facility" means a facility that consists of a center for 2063 music or other performing arts, a theater or other facilities to 2064 provide programs of an educational, recreational, or cultural 2065 nature, or any combination of those purposes as determined by 2066 the parties to the cooperative agreement for which provision is 2067 made in division (B) of this section to fulfill the public 2068 educational, recreational, and cultural purposes set forth 2069 therein, together with all parking facilities, walkways, and 2070 other auxiliary facilities, real and personal property, property 2071 rights, easements, and interests that may be appropriate for, or 2072 2073 used in connection with, the operation of the facility.

(B) A host county, a host municipal corporation, and a
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 port authority may enter into a cooperative agreement with a
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 corporation under which, as further provided for in that
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 agreement:

(1) The host county may agree to do any or all of the 2078following: 2079

(a) Levy and collect a tax under division (E) divisions 2080
 (O) and division (F) (P) of section 5739.09 of the Revised Code 2081
 for the purposes, and in an amount sufficient for those 2082

| purposes, described in divisions (B)(1)(b) and (c) of this   | 2083   |
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| (b) Pay to the port authority all or such portion as   | 2085   |
| provided for in the cooperative agreement of the revenue from  | 2086   |
| the tax, together with any investment earnings on that revenue,  | 2087   |
| to be used to pay a portion of the costs of acquiring,   | 2088   |
| constructing, renovating, rehabilitating, equipping, or  | 2000   |
| improving the port authority educational and cultural performing   | 2009   |
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| (c) Pledge and pay to the corporation all or such portion  | 2092   |
| as provided for in the cooperative agreement of the revenue from   | 2093   |
| the tax, together with any investment earnings on that revenue,  | 2094   |
| to be used to pay a portion of the costs to the corporation of   | 2095   |
| leasing the port authority educational and cultural performing   | 2096   |
| arts facility from the port authority.   | 2097   |
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| (2) The port authority may agree to do any or all of the   | 2098   |
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| (2) The port authority may agree to do any or all of the following:  | 2098<br>2099   |
| <ul><li>(2) The port authority may agree to do any or all of the following:</li><li>(a) Issue its revenue bonds pursuant to section 4582.48 of</li></ul>   | 2098<br>2099<br>2100   |
| <ul><li>(2) The port authority may agree to do any or all of the following:</li><li>(a) Issue its revenue bonds pursuant to section 4582.48 of the Revised Code for the purpose of paying all or a portion of</li></ul>  | 2098<br>2099<br>2100<br>2101   |
| <ul><li>(2) The port authority may agree to do any or all of the following:</li><li>(a) Issue its revenue bonds pursuant to section 4582.48 of the Revised Code for the purpose of paying all or a portion of the costs of the port authority educational and cultural performing arts facility;</li></ul>   | 2098<br>2099<br>2100<br>2101<br>2102<br>2103   |
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contracts for acquiring, constructing, renovating,2112rehabilitating, or equipping the port authority educational and2113cultural performing arts facility;2114

(e) Use the revenue derived from the lease of the port 2115
authority educational and cultural performing arts facility to 2116
the corporation solely to pay debt service charges on revenue 2117
bonds of the port authority issued pursuant to division (B) (2) 2118
(a) of this section and to pay its obligations under or arising 2119
from any guaranty agreements, reimbursement agreements, or other 2120
credit enhancement agreements provided for in this section. 2121

(3) The host municipal corporation may agree to do either or both of the following:

(a) Issue its bonds for the purpose of paying all or a 2124
portion of the costs of the port authority educational and 2125
cultural performing arts facility, and pay the proceeds from the 2126
issuance to the port authority for that purpose; 2127

2128 (b) Enter into a guaranty agreement, a reimbursement agreement, or other credit enhancement agreement with the port 2129 authority to provide a guaranty or other credit enhancement of 2130 the port authority revenue bonds referred to in division (B)(2) 2131 2132 (a) of this section pledging taxes, other than ad valorem property taxes, or other revenues for the purpose of providing 2133 the funds required to satisfy the host municipal corporation's 2134 obligations under that agreement. 2135

The cooperative agreement may provide that the proceeds of 2136 such securities or of such guaranty agreement, reimbursement 2137 agreement, or other credit enhancement agreement be deposited 2138 with and administered by the trustee pursuant to the trust 2139 agreement authorized in division (C) of this section. 2140

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(4) The corporation may agree to do any or all of the 2141 2142 following: (a) Lease the port authority educational and cultural 2143 performing arts facility from the port authority; 2144 (b) Operate and maintain the port authority educational 2145 and cultural performing arts facility pursuant to the lease; 2146 (c) To the extent provided for in the cooperative 2147 2148 agreement or the lease from the port authority, administer on behalf of the port authority the contracts for acquiring, 2149 2150 constructing, renovating, rehabilitating, or equipping the port authority educational and cultural performing arts facility. 2151

(C) The pledge and payments referred to in divisions (B) 2152 (1) (b) and (c) of this section and provided for in the 2153 cooperative agreement shall be for the period stated in the 2154 cooperative agreement but shall not extend longer than the 2155 period necessary to provide for the final retirement of the port 2156 authority revenue bonds referred to in division (B)(2)(a) of 2157 this section, and for the satisfaction by the port authority of 2158 any of its obligations under or arising from any guaranty 2159 agreements, reimbursement agreements, or other credit 2160 2161 enhancement agreements relating to those bonds or to the 2162 revenues pledged to them. The cooperative agreement shall 2163 provide for the termination of the cooperative agreement, including the pledge and payment referred to in division (B)(1) 2164 (c) of this section, if the port authority revenue bonds 2165 referred to in division (B)(2)(a) of this section have not been 2166 issued, sold, and delivered within five years of the effective 2167 date of the cooperative agreement. 2168

The cooperative agreement shall provide that any port

authority revenue bonds shall be secured by a trust agreement 2170 between the port authority and a corporate trustee that is a 2171 trust company or bank having the powers of a trust company 2172 within or outside the state but authorized to exercise trust 2173 powers within the state. The host county may be a party to that 2174 trust agreement for the purpose of better securing the pledge by 2175 2176 the host county of its payment to the corporation pursuant to division (B)(1)(c) of this section. A tax levied pursuant to 2177 section 5739.09 of the Revised Code for the purposes specified 2178 in division (B)(1)(b) or (c) of this section is not subject to 2179 diminution by initiative or referendum or diminution by statute, 2180 unless provision is made for an adequate substitute reasonably 2181 satisfactory to the trustee under the trust agreement that 2182 secures the port authority revenue bonds. 2183

(D) A pledge of money by a host county under this section
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shall not be net indebtedness of the host county for purposes of
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section 133.07 of the Revised Code. A guaranty or other credit
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enhancement by a host municipal corporation under this section
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shall not be net indebtedness of the host municipal corporation
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for purposes of section 133.05 of the Revised Code.

(E) If the terms of the cooperative agreement so provide, 2190 2191 any contract for the acquisition, construction, renovation, rehabilitation, equipping, or improving of a port authority 2192 educational and cultural performing arts facility shall be made 2193 in such manner as is determined by the board of directors of the 2194 port authority, and unless the cooperative agreement provides 2195 otherwise, such a contract is not subject to division  $\frac{(R)(2)-(A)}{(A)}$ 2196 (18) (b) of section 4582.31 of the Revised Code. The port 2197 authority may take the assignment of and assume any contracts 2198 for the acquisition, construction, renovation, rehabilitation, 2199 equipping, or improving of a port authority educational and 2200

cultural performing arts facility that had previously been2201authorized by any of the host county, the host municipality, or2202the corporation. Such contracts are not subject to division (R)2203(2) (A) (18) (b) of section 4582.31 of the Revised Code.2204

2205 Any contract for the acquisition, construction, renovation, rehabilitation, equipping, or improving of a port 2206 authority educational and cultural performing arts facility 2207 entered into, assigned, or assumed pursuant to this division 2208 shall provide that all laborers and mechanics employed for the 2209 acquisition, construction, renovation, rehabilitation, 2210 2211 equipping, or improving of that facility shall be paid at the prevailing rates of wages of laborers and mechanics for the 2212 class of work called for by the port authority educational and 2213 cultural performing arts facility, which wages shall be 2214 determined in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 4115. 2215 of the Revised Code for the determination of prevailing wage 2216 rates. 2217

Notwithstanding any provisions to the contrary in section 2218 123.281 of the Revised Code, construction services and general 2219 building services for a port authority educational and cultural 2220 performing arts facility funded completely or in part with money 2221 appropriated by the state to the Ohio facilities construction 2222 commission may be provided by a port authority or a corporation 2223 that occupies, will occupy, or is responsible for that facility, 2224 as determined by the commission. The construction services and 2225 general building services to be provided by the port authority 2226 or the corporation shall be specified in an agreement between 2227 the commission and the port authority or corporation. That 2228 agreement, or any actions taken under it, are not subject to 2229 Chapters 123. or 153. of the Revised Code, but are subject to 2230 Chapter 4115. of the Revised Code. 2231

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Sec. 307.678. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Bureau" means a nonprofit corporation that is
organized under the laws of this state that is, or has among its
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functions acting as, a convention and visitors' bureau, and that
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currently receives revenue from existing lodging taxes.
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(2) "Cooperating parties" means the parties to a 2237cooperative agreement. 2238

(3) "Cooperative agreement" means an agreement entered2239into pursuant to or as contemplated by this section.2240

(4) "Credit enhancement facilities" has the same meaning2241as in section 133.01 of the Revised Code.2242

(5) "Debt charges" has the same meaning as in section 2243 133.01 of the Revised Code, except that "obligations" shall be 2244 substituted for "securities" wherever "securities" appears in 2245 that section. 2246

(6) "Eligible county" means a county within the boundaries2247of which any part of a tourism development district is located.2248

(7) "Eligible transit authority" means a regional transit
authority created pursuant to section 306.31 of the Revised Code
or a county in which a county transit system is created pursuant
to section 306.01 of the Revised Code, within the boundaries of
which any part of a tourism development district is located.

(9) "Financing costs" means all costs, fees, and expenses
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relating to the authorization, including any required election,
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issuance, sale, delivery, authentication, deposit, custody,
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clearing, registration, transfer, exchange, fractionalization, 2260 replacement, payment, and servicing, of obligations, including, 2261 without limitation, costs and expenses for or relating to 2262 publication and printing, postage, delivery, preliminary and 2263 final official statements, offering circulars, placement 2264 memoranda, and informational statements, travel and 2265 2266 transportation, underwriters, placement agents, investment bankers, paying agents, registrars, authenticating agents, 2267 remarketing agents, custodians, clearing agencies, companies, or 2268 corporations, securities depositories, issuers, financial 2269 advisory services, certifications, audits, federal or state 2270 regulatory agencies, accounting and computation services, legal 2271 services and obtaining approving legal opinions and other legal 2272 opinions, credit ratings, paying redemption premiums, and credit 2273 enhancement facilities. Financing costs may be paid from any 2274 money available for the purpose, including, unless otherwise 2275 provided in the proceedings, from the proceeds of the 2276 obligations to which they relate and, as to future financing 2277 costs, from the same sources from which debt charges on the 2278 obligations are paid and as though debt charges. 2279

(10) "Host municipal corporation" means a municipal
 corporation within the boundaries of which any part of a tourism
 development district is located.
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(11) "Host school district" means a school district within
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 the boundaries of which any part of a tourism development
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 district is located.

(12) "Incremental sales tax growth" has the same meaning 2286 as in section 5739.213 of the Revised Code, except that, in the 2287 case of an eligible county, "incremental sales tax growth" shall 2288 include only the amount of taxes levied under sections 5739.021 2289 and 5739.026 of the Revised Code credited to the county's 2290 general fund. 2291

(13) "Issuer" means a port authority, a new community
authority, or any other issuer, as defined in section 133.01 of
the Revised Code, and any corporation.

(14) "Maintenance and repair costs" means costs and
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expenses incurred by a cooperating party from the party's own
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revenues for maintaining or repairing a project.
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(15) "Net lodging tax proceeds" means the proceeds of an 2298 existing lodging tax that remain after deduction by an eligible 2299 county of the real and actual costs of administering the tax and 2300 any portion of such proceeds required to be returned to a 2301 municipal corporation or township under division (A) (1) of 2302 section 5739.09 of the Revised Code. 2303

(16) "Net tourism development district revenues" means the 2304 tourism development district revenues remaining after deduction 2305 by the host municipal corporation of an amount, not to exceed 2306 one per cent of any admissions tax revenues, prescribed in any 2307 legislation by which, or agreement pursuant to which, tourism 2308 development district revenues are pledged, or agreed to be 2309 pledged or contributed, by an eligible county, an eligible 2310 transit authority, or a host municipal corporation, or any 2311 combination thereof, in accordance with division (B), (E), (F), 2312 or (G) of this section. 2313

(17) "New community authority" means a new community 2314 authority established under section 349.03 of the Revised Code 2315 by an organizational board of commissioners that is or includes 2316 the board of county commissioners of an eligible county or the 2317 legislative authority of a host municipal corporation. 2318

(18) "Obligations" means obligations issued or incurred by 2319 an issuer pursuant to Chapter 133., 349., or 4582. of the 2320 Revised Code, or otherwise, for the purpose of funding or 2321 paying, or reimbursing persons for the funding or payment of, 2322 project costs, and that evidence the issuer's obligation to 2323 repay borrowed money, including interest thereon, or to pay 2324 other money obligations of the issuer at any future time, 2325 including, without limitation, bonds, notes, anticipatory 2326 securities as defined in section 133.01 of the Revised Code, 2327 certificates of indebtedness, commercial paper, or installment 2328 sale, lease, lease-purchase, or similar agreements. 2329 "Obligations" does not include credit enhancement facilities. 2330

(19) "Person" includes an individual, corporation, limited 2331 liability company, business trust, estate, trust, partnership, 2332 association, eligible county, eligible transit authority, host 2333 municipal corporation, port authority, new community authority, 2334 and any other political subdivision of the state. 2335

(20) "Port authority" means a port authority created under Chapter 4582. of the Revised Code.

(21) "Project" means acquiring, constructing,
reconstructing, rehabilitating, remodeling, renovating,
enlarging, equipping, furnishing, or otherwise improving a
tourism facility or any component or element thereof.
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(22) "Project cost" means the cost of acquiring,
constructing, reconstructing, rehabilitating, remodeling,
constructing, enlarging, equipping, financing, refinancing,
constructing, or otherwise improving a project, including, without
costs; the cost of architectural,

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refinancing obligations issued by, or reimbursing money advanced 2349 by, any cooperating party or any other person, where the 2350 proceeds of the obligations or money advanced was used to pay 2351 any other cost described in this division; inspections and 2352 testing; any indemnity or surety bond or premium related to 2353 insurance pertaining to development of the project; all related 2354 direct and indirect administrative costs and costs of placing a 2355 project in service; fees and expenses of trustees, escrow 2356 agents, depositories, and paying agents for any obligations; 2357 interest on obligations during the planning, design, and 2358 development of a project and for up to eighteen months 2359 thereafter; funding and replenishing reserves for the payment of 2360 debt charges on any obligations; all other expenses necessary or 2361 incident to planning, or determining the feasibility or 2362 practicability of, a project, including, without limitation, 2363 advocating the enactment of legislation to facilitate the 2364 development and financing of a project; and any other costs of a 2365 project that are authorized to be financed by the issuer of 2366 obligations at the time the obligations are issued. 2367

(23) "Taxing authority" means the board of county
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commissioners of an eligible county, the legislative authority,
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as that term is defined in section 5739.01 of the Revised Code,
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of an eligible transit authority, or the legislative authority
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of a host municipal corporation.

(24) "Tourism development district" means an area2373designated by a host municipal corporation under section 715.0142374of the Revised Code.2375

(25) "Tourism development district revenues" means money
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received or receivable by a host municipal corporation from
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incremental sales tax growth pursuant to section 5739.213 of the
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Revised Code, from a tax levied by the host municipal 2379 corporation pursuant to division (C) of section 5739.101 of the 2380 Revised Code, from a tax levied by the host municipal 2381 corporation pursuant to section 5739.08 or 5739.09 of the 2382 Revised Code on the provision of lodging by hotels located in 2383 the tourism development district, from a tax levied by the host 2384 municipal corporation with respect to admission to any tourism 2385 facility or parking or any other activity occurring at any 2386 location in the tourism development district, or from any tax 2387 levied by an eliqible county, eliqible transit authority, or 2388 host municipal corporation, except for a tax on property levied 2389 by an eligible county, with respect to activities occurring, or 2390 property located, in the tourism development district, if and to 2391 the extent that revenue from any such tax is authorized to be 2392 used, or is not prohibited by law from being used, to foster and 2393 develop tourism in the tourism development district and is 2394 authorized, contracted, pledged or assigned by the respective 2395 taxing authority to be used to fund or pay, or to reimburse 2396 other persons for funding or payment of, project costs or 2397 maintenance and repair costs. 2398

(26) "Tourism facility" means any permanent improvement, 2399 as defined in section 133.01 of the Revised Code, located in a 2400 tourism development district. 2401

(B) The board of county commissioners of an eligible 2402
county, an eligible transit authority, a host municipal 2403
corporation, the board of education of a host school district, a 2404
port authority, a bureau, a new community authority, and any 2405
other person, or any combination thereof, may enter into a 2406
cooperative agreement for any purpose authorized under this 2407
section and under which any of the following apply: 2408

(1) The board of county commissioners of the eligible
county and the bureau agree to make available to a cooperating
party or any other person net lodging tax proceeds, not to
exceed five hundred thousand dollars each year, to fund or pay,
or to reimburse other persons for funding or payment of, project
costs or debt charges on obligations.

(2) The board of county commissioners of the eligible
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county agrees, for the purpose of funding or paying or
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payment of, project costs, including debt charges on
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obligations, may do either of the following:
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(a) Make available to a cooperating party or other person
an amount equal to incremental sales tax growth or all or a
portion of the county's tourism development district revenues;
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(b) Provide, from receipts of a tax levied by the county 2423 under division (A) (11) (K) of section 5739.09 of the Revised 2424 Code, credit enhancement facilities in connection with the 2425 funding or payment of project costs, including debt charges on 2426 obligations, or any portion or combination thereof. 2427

(3) The taxing authority of an eligible transit authority
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agrees to make available to a cooperating party or any other
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person an amount equal to incremental sales tax growth or all or
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a portion of the transit authority's tourism development
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district revenues.

(4) The host municipal corporation agrees to make
available credit enhancement facilities or net tourism
development district revenues, or any portion or combination
thereof, to fund, pay, or support, or to reimburse other persons
for funding or payment of, project costs, including debt charges
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on obligations, or maintenance and repair costs, or both. Any 2438 agreement to use net tourism development district revenues to 2439 pay or reimburse other persons for payment of maintenance and 2440 repair costs shall be subject to authorization by any 2441 cooperating party providing such funding to the host municipal 2442 corporation and to annual appropriation for such purpose by the 2443 legislative authority of the host municipal corporation and 2444 shall be subordinate to any covenant made to or by an issuer in 2445 connection with the issuance of obligations or credit 2446 2447 enhancement facilities to pay project costs.

(5) The cooperating parties agree, subject to any
conditions or limitations provided in the cooperative agreement,
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to any of the following:
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(a) The conveyance, grant, or transfer to a cooperating
party or any other person of ownership of, property interests
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in, and rights to use real or personal property to create a
tourism facility or with respect to a tourism facility as the
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facility exists at the time of the agreement or as it may be
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improved by a project;

(b) The respective responsibilities of each cooperating
party for the management, operation, maintenance, repair, and
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replacement of a tourism facility, including any project
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undertaken with respect to the facility, which may include
authorization for a cooperating party to contract with any other
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person for any such purpose;
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(c) The respective responsibilities of each cooperating
party for the development and financing of a project, including,
without limitation, the cooperating party or parties that shall
be responsible for contracting for the development of a project
and administering contracts entered into by the party or parties

for that purpose;

(d) The respective responsibilities of each cooperating
party to provide money, credit enhancement facilities, or both,
vhether by issuing obligations or otherwise, for the funding,
payment, financing, or refinancing, or reimbursement to a
cooperating party or other person for the funding, payment,
financing, or refinancing, of project costs;

(e) The respective responsibilities of each cooperating
party to provide money, credit enhancement facilities, or other
security for the payment of debt charges on obligations or to
fund or replenish reserves or otherwise provide for the payment
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(C) Any conveyance, grant, or transfer of ownership of, 2480 property interests in, or rights to use a tourism development 2481 facility or project, including any project undertaken with 2482 respect to an existing tourism facility, that is contemplated by 2483 a cooperative agreement may be made or entered into by a 2484 cooperating party, in such manner and upon such terms as the 2485 cooperating parties may agree, without regard to ownership of 2486 2487 the tourism facility or project, notwithstanding any other provision of law that may otherwise apply, including, without 2488 limitation, any requirement for notice, competitive bidding or 2489 selection, or the provision of security. 2490

(D) The board of county commissioners may amend any
previously adopted resolution providing for the levy of an
existing lodging tax to permit the use of any portion of the net
lodging tax proceeds from such tax as provided in this section
if and to the extent such use is not inconsistent with a
cooperative agreement. A host municipal corporation may amend
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any previously passed ordinance providing for the levy of
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lodging taxes under section 5739.08 or 5739.09 of the Revised2498Code to permit the use of any portion of such lodging taxes as2499provided in this section.2500

(E) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law: 2501

(a) The board of county commissioners of an eligible 2502
 county may provide, from receipts of a tax levied by the county 2503
 under division (A) (11) (K) of section 5739.09 of the Revised 2504
 Code, credit enhancement facilities in connection with any 2505
 project, including, without limitation, for the provision of any 2506
 infrastructure necessary to support a tourism facility. 2507

(b) The board of county commissioners of an eligible
county and a bureau may agree to make available to any person,
on such terms and conditions as the board and the bureau may
determine and agree, net lodging tax proceeds.
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(c) The board of county commissioners of an eligible county may agree to make available to any person, on such terms and conditions as the board may determine and agree, incremental sales tax growth and all or a portion of the county's tourism development district revenues.

(2) Any amount made available under division (E)(1)(b) or 2517 (c) of this section shall be used to fund or pay, or to 2518 reimburse other persons for funding or payment of, project 2519 costs, including, without limitation, the payment of debt 2520 charges on obligations, the provision of credit enhancement 2521 facilities and the funding, and funding and replenishing 2522 reserves for that purpose or, subject to annual appropriation, 2523 to pay, or reimburse other persons for payment of, repair and 2524 maintenance costs. 2525

(3) The board of county commissioners, the bureau, or 2526

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both, may pledge net lodging tax proceeds, and the board of 2527 county commissioners may pledge incremental sales tax growth and 2528 any tourism development district revenues, or any part or 2529 portion or combination thereof, to the payment of debt charges 2530 on obligations and the funding, or to fund or replenish reserves 2531 for that purpose; provided that, the total amount of net lodging 2532 tax proceeds made available for such use each year shall not 2533 exceed five hundred thousand dollars. 2534

The lien of any such pledge shall be effective against all 2535 2536 persons when it is made, without the requirement for the filing 2537 of any notice, and any such net lodging tax proceeds, incremental sales tax growth, and tourism development district 2538 revenues, or any part or portion or combination thereof, so 2539 pledged and required to pay debt charges on obligations, to 2540 provide any credit enhancement facilities or to fund, or to fund 2541 or replenish reserves, or any combination thereof, shall be paid 2542 by the county or bureau at the times, in the amounts, and to 2543 such payee, including, without limitation, a corporate trustee 2544 or paying agent, to which the board of county commissioners and 2545 bureau agree with respect to net lodging tax proceeds and to 2546 which the board of county commissioners agree with respect to 2547 incremental sales tax growth or tourism development district 2548 2549 revenues.

(F) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a host 2550 municipal corporation may agree to make available to any person, 2551 on such terms and conditions to which it may determine and 2552 agree, and any person may use, net tourism development district 2553 revenues, or any part or portion thereof, to fund or pay, or to 2554 reimburse other persons for funding or payment of, project 2555 costs, including, without limitation, the payment of debt 2556 charges on obligations and the funding, and funding and 2557

replenishing reserves for that purpose, or, subject to annual 2558 appropriation, to pay, or to reimburse other persons for payment 2559 of maintenance and repair costs, and the host municipal 2560 corporation may pledge net tourism development district 2561 revenues, or any part or portion thereof, to the payment of debt 2562 charges on obligations and to fund and replenish reserves for 2563 that purpose and may provide credit enhancement facilities. The 2564 lien of any such pledge shall be effective against all persons 2565 when it is made, without the requirement for the filing of any 2566 notice, and any net tourism development district revenues so 2567 pledged and required to pay debt charges on obligations or to 2568 fund and replenish reserves shall be paid by the host municipal 2569 corporation at the times, in the amounts, and to such payee, 2570 including, without limitation, a corporate trustee or paying 2571 agent, to which the host municipal corporation agrees. 2572

(G) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, an 2573 eligible transit authority may agree to make available, on such 2574 terms and conditions to which it may determine and agree, to any 2575 person, and any person may use, incremental sales tax growth and 2576 tourism development district revenues, or any part or portion or 2577 combination thereof, to fund or pay, or to reimburse other 2578 persons for funding or payment of, project costs, including, 2579 without limitation, the payment of debt charges on obligations 2580 and the funding and replenishing of reserves for that purpose, 2581 or, subject to annual appropriation, to pay, or to reimburse any 2582 other person for payment of, maintenance and repair costs, and 2583 the eligible transit authority may pledge incremental sales tax 2584 growth and tourism development district revenues, or any part or 2585 portion or combination thereof, to the payment of debt charges 2586 on obligations and the funding and replenishing of reserves for 2587 that purpose. The lien of any such pledge shall be effective 2588

against all persons when it is made, without the requirement for 2589 the filing of any notice, and any incremental sales tax growth 2590 and tourism development district revenues, or any part or 2591 portion or combination thereof, so pledged and required to pay 2592 debt charges on obligations or to fund and replenish reserves 2593 shall be paid by the eligible transit authority at the times, in 2594 the amounts, and to such payee, including, without limitation, a 2595 corporate trustee or paying agent, to which the eligible transit 2596 authority agrees. 2597

(H) Except as provided herein with respect to agreements 2598 for the payment or reimbursement of maintenance and repair 2599 costs, if the term of an agreement made pursuant to division 2600 (B), (E), (F), or (G) of this section extends beyond the end of 2601 the fiscal year of the eligible county, eligible transit 2602 authority, or host municipal corporation in which it is made, 2603 the agreement shall be subject to section 5705.44 of the Revised 2604 Code, and subject to the certification required by that section, 2605 the amount due under any such agreement in each succeeding 2606 fiscal year shall be included in the annual appropriation 2607 measure of the eligible county, eligible transit authority, or 2608 host municipal corporation for each such fiscal year as a fixed 2609 charge. The obligation of an eligible county, eligible transit 2610 authority, or host municipal corporation, and of each official 2611 thereof, to include the amount required to be paid in any such 2612 fiscal year in its annual appropriation measure as a fixed 2613 charge and to make such payments from and to the extent of the 2614 amounts so pledged, or agreed to be contributed or pledged, 2615 shall be a duty specially enjoined by law and resulting from an 2616 office, trust, or station under section 2731.01 of the Revised 2617 Code, enforceable by writ of mandamus. 2618

(I)(1) Each tourism facility and project constitutes a

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"port authority facility" within the meaning of division (D) of 2620 section 4582.01 and division (E) of section 4582.21 of the 2621 Revised Code, and a port authority may issue obligations under 2622 Chapter 4582. of the Revised Code, subject only to the 2623 2624 procedures and requirements applicable to its issuance of revenue bonds as provided in division (A)(4) of section 4582.06 2625 of the Revised Code or of port authority revenue bonds as 2626 provided in division (A)(8) of section 4582.31 of the Revised 2627 Code. For the purpose of issuing any such obligations, any net 2628 lodging tax proceeds, net tourism development district revenues, 2629 amounts provided pursuant to any credit enhancement facilities, 2630 and revenue from any other tax pledged, assigned, or otherwise 2631 obligated to be contributed to the payment of the obligations 2632 shall be treated as revenues of the port authority for the 2633 purposes of division (A)(4) of section 4582.06 of the Revised 2634 Code and revenues, as defined in section 4582.21 of the Revised 2635 Code. Any obligations issued under division (I)(1) of this 2636 section shall be considered revenue bonds issued under division 2637 (A) (4) of section 4582.06 of the Revised Code or port authority 2638 revenue bonds issued under division (A)(8) of section 4582.31 2639 and section 4582.48 of the Revised Code for all purposes. In 2640 addition to all other powers available to a port authority under 2641 this section or under Chapter 4582. of the Revised Code with 2642 respect to the issuance of or provision for the security for 2643 payment of debt charges on obligations, and with respect to any 2644 tourism facility or project, the port authority may take any of 2645 the actions contemplated by Chapter 4582. of the Revised Code, 2646 including, without limitation, any actions contemplated by 2647 section 4582.06, 4582.31, or 4582.47 of the Revised Code. 2648 Obligations issued by a port authority pursuant to division (I) 2649 (1) of this section shall be special obligations of the port 2650 2651 authority and do not constitute bonded indebtedness, a general

obligation, debt, or a pledge of the full faith and credit of2652the state, the port authority, or any other political2653subdivision of the state.2654

(2) Each tourism facility and project constitutes 2655 "community facilities" within the meaning of division (I) of 2656 section 349.01 of the Revised Code, and a new community 2657 authority may issue obligations pursuant to Chapter 349. of the 2658 Revised Code subject only to the procedures and requirements 2659 applicable to its issuance of bonds or notes as used in and 2660 pursuant to section 349.08 of the Revised Code. For the purpose 2661 of issuing any such obligations, net lodging tax proceeds, net 2662 tourism development district revenues, and revenue from any 2663 other tax pledged, assigned, or otherwise obligated to be 2664 contributed to the payment of the obligations shall be treated 2665 as an income source, as defined in section 349.01 of the Revised 2666 Code. Any obligations issued under division (I)(2) of this 2667 section shall be considered bonds issued under section 349.08 of 2668 the Revised Code. In addition to all other powers available to a 2669 new community authority under division (I)(2) of this section or 2670 under Chapter 349. of the Revised Code with respect to the 2671 issuance of or provision for the security for payment of debt 2672 charges on obligations, and with respect to any tourism facility 2673 or project, the new community authority may take any of the 2674 actions contemplated by Chapter 349. of the Revised Code. 2675 Obligations issued by a new community authority pursuant to 2676 division (I)(2) of this section shall be special obligations of 2677 the new community authority and do not constitute bonded 2678 indebtedness, a general obligation, debt, or a pledge of the 2679 full faith and credit of the state, the new community authority, 2680 or any other political subdivision of the state. 2681

(J) Each project for which funding or payment of project 2682

costs is provided, in whole or in part, by the issuance of 2683 obligations secured by a pledge of net lodging tax proceeds or 2684 net tourism development district revenues, or both, and any 2685 agreement to provide credit enhancement facilities or to fund or 2686 pay, and the funding or payment of, such project costs and any 2687 maintenance and repair costs of the project from net lodging 2688 taxes and net tourism development district revenues, are hereby 2689 determined, regardless of the ownership, leasing, or use of the 2690 project by any person, to constitute implementing and 2691 participating in the development of sites and facilities within 2692 the meaning of Section 2p of Article VIII, Ohio Constitution, 2693 including division (D)(3) of that section, and any such 2694 obligations are hereby determined to be issued, and any such 2695 credit enhancement facilities and agreements to fund or pay, and 2696 funding and payment of, project costs and any maintenance and 2697 repair costs of the project, are determined to be made, under 2698 authority of Section 2p of Article VIII, Ohio Constitution, for 2699 and in furtherance of site and facility development purposes 2700 within the meaning of division (E) of that section, pursuant to 2701 provision made by law for the procedure for incurring and 2702 issuing obligations, separately or in combination with other 2703 obligations, and refunding, retiring, and evidencing 2704 obligations, and pursuant to division (F) of Section 2p of 2705 Article VIII, Ohio Constitution, such that provision for the 2706 payment of debt charges on the obligations, credit enhancement 2707 facilities, or both, the purposes and uses to which and the 2708 manner in which the proceeds of those obligations or credit 2709 enhancement facilities or money from other sources are to be or 2710 may be applied, and other implementation of those development 2711 purposes as referred to in this section, including the manner 2712 determined by an issuer to participate for those purposes, are 2713 2714 not subject to Sections 4 and 6 of Article VIII, Ohio

No obligations may be issued under this section to fund or 2716 pay maintenance and repair costs. 2717

(K) No obligations may be issued under this section unless 2718 the issuer's fiscal officer determines that the net lodging tax 2719 proceeds, net tourism development district revenues, or both, 2720 pledged, assigned, or otherwise obligated to be contributed to 2721 the payment of debt charges on such obligations and all other 2722 obligations issued, outstanding and payable therefrom, are 2723 expected to be sufficient to pay all debt charges on all such 2724 obligations except to any extent that such debt charges are to 2725 be paid from proceeds of obligations or refunding obligations 2726 deposited or to be deposited into a pledged fund or account, 2727 including any reserve fund or account, or investment earnings 2728 thereon. 2729

(L) (1) A board of county commissioners shall not repeal, 2730 rescind, or reduce the levy of an existing lodging tax or the 2731 source of any other revenue to the extent revenue from that tax 2732 or source is pledged to the payment of debt charges on 2733 obligations, and any such lodging tax or other revenue source 2734 shall not be subject to repeal, rescission, or reduction by 2735 initiative, referendum, or subsequent enactment of legislation 2736 by the general assembly, so long as there remain outstanding any 2737 obligations as to which the payment of debt charges is secured 2738 by a pledge of the existing lodging tax or other revenue source. 2739

(2) The legislative authority of a host municipal
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subject to repeal, rescission, or reduction by initiative,2745referendum, or subsequent enactment of legislation by the2746general assembly, so long as there remain outstanding any2747obligations as to which the payment of debt charges is secured2748by a pledge of those net tourism development district revenues.2749

(3) A transit authority shall not repeal, rescind, or reduce the levy of any tax the proceeds of which are pledged to the payment of debt charges on obligations, and any such tax shall not be subject to repeal, rescission, or reduction by initiative, referendum, or subsequent enactment of legislation by the general assembly, so long as there remain outstanding any obligations as to which the payment of debt charges is secured by the pledge of such tax proceeds.

(M) A pledge, assignment, or other agreement to contribute 2758 net lodging tax proceeds or other revenues or credit enhancement 2759 facilities made by an eligible county under division (B) or (E) 2760 of this section; a pledge, assignment, or other agreement to 2761 contribute net tourism development district revenues or credit 2762 enhancement facilities made by a host municipality under 2763 division (B) or (F) of this section; and a pledge, assignment, 2764 or other agreement made by an eligible county or eligible 2765 transit authority or agreement to contribute revenue from taxes 2766 that constitute tourism development district revenues under 2767 division (B), (E), or (G) of this section, do not constitute 2768 bonded indebtedness, or indebtedness for the purposes of Chapter 2769 133. of the Revised Code, of an eligible county, eligible 2770 transit authority, or host municipal corporation. 2771

(N) The authority provided by this section is supplemental
to, and is not intended to limit in any way, any legal authority
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| other provision of law.  | 2775 |
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| Sec. 307.695. (A) As used in this section:                       | 2776 |
| (1) "Arena" means any structure designed and constructed         | 2777 |
| for the purpose of providing a venue for public entertainment    | 2778 |
| and recreation by the presentation of concerts, sporting and     | 2779 |
| athletic events, and other events and exhibitions, including     | 2780 |
| facilities intended to house or provide a site for one or more   | 2781 |
| athletic or sports teams or activities, spectator facilities,    | 2782 |
| parking facilities, walkways, and auxiliary facilities, real and | 2783 |
| personal property, property rights, easements, leasehold         | 2784 |
| estates, and interests that may be appropriate for, or used in   | 2785 |
| connection with, the operation of the arena.                     | 2786 |
| (2) "Convention center" means any structure expressly            | 2787 |
| designed and constructed for the purposes of presenting          | 2788 |
| conventions, public meetings, and exhibitions and includes       | 2789 |
| parking facilities that serve the center and any personal        | 2790 |
| property used in connection with any such structure or           | 2791 |
| facilities.  | 2792 |
| (3) "Eligible county" means a county having a population         | 2793 |
| of at least four hundred thousand but not more than eight        | 2794 |
| hundred thousand according to the 2000 federal decennial census  | 2795 |
| and that directly borders the geographic boundaries of another   | 2796 |
| state.   | 2797 |
| (4) "Entity" means a nonprofit corporation, a municipal          | 2798 |
| corporation, a port authority created under Chapter 4582. of the | 2799 |

 (5) "Lodging taxes" means excise taxes levied under
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 division (A) (1), (A) (2) (B), or (C) (M) of section 5739.09 of the
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Revised Code, or a convention facilities authority created under

Chapter 351. of the Revised Code.

Revised Code and the revenues arising therefrom.

(6) "Nonprofit corporation" means a nonprofit corporation 2805 that is organized under the laws of this state and that includes 2806 within the purposes for which it is incorporated the 2807 authorization to lease and operate facilities such as a 2808 convention center or an arena or a combination of an arena and 2809 convention center. 2810

(7) "Project" means acquiring, constructing,
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reconstructing, renovating, rehabilitating, expanding, adding
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to, equipping, furnishing or otherwise improving an arena, a
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convention center, or a combination of an arena and convention
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center. For purposes of this section, a project is a permanent
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improvement for one purpose under Chapter 133. of the Revised
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Code.

(8) "Project revenues" means money received by a county 2818 with a population greater than four hundred thousand wherein the 2819 population of the largest city comprises more than one-third of 2820 that county's population, other than money from taxes or from 2821 the proceeds of securities secured by taxes, in connection with, 2822 2823 derived from, related to, or resulting from a project, including, but not limited to, rentals and other payments 2824 received under a lease or agreement with respect to the project, 2825 ticket charges or surcharges for admission to events at a 2826 project, charges or surcharges for parking for events at a 2827 project, charges for the use of a project or any portion of a 2828 project, including suites and seating rights, the sale of naming 2829 rights for the project or a portion of the project, unexpended 2830 proceeds of any county revenue bonds issued for the project, and 2831 any income and profit from the investment of the proceeds of any 2832 such revenue bonds or any project revenues. 2833

(9) "Chapter 133. securities," "debt charges," "general
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obligation," "legislation," "one purpose," "outstanding,"
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"permanent improvement," "person," and "securities" have the
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meanings given to those terms in section 133.01 of the Revised
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Code.

(B) A board of county commissioners may enter into an 2839agreement with a convention and visitors' bureau operating in 2840the county under which: 2841

(1) The bureau agrees to construct and equip a convention 2842 center in the county and to pledge and contribute from the tax 2843 revenues received by it under division (A) of section 5739.09 of 2844 the Revised Code, not more than such portion thereof that it is 2845 authorized to pledge and contribute for the purpose described in 2846 division (C) of this section; and 2847

(2) The board agrees to levy a tax under division (C) (M)
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 of section 5739.09 of the Revised Code and pledge and contribute
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 the revenues therefrom for the purpose described in division (C)
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 of this section.

(C) The purpose of the pledges and contributions described 2852 in divisions (B)(1) and (2) of this section is payment of 2853 principal, interest, and premium, if any, on bonds and notes 2854 issued by or for the benefit of the bureau to finance the 2855 construction and equipping of a convention center. The pledges 2856 and contributions provided for in the agreement shall be for the 2857 period stated in the agreement. Revenues determined from time to 2858 time by the board to be needed to cover the real and actual 2859 costs of administering the tax imposed by under division (C) (M) 2860 of section 5739.09 of the Revised Code may not be pledged or 2861 contributed. The agreement shall provide that any such bonds and 2862 notes shall be secured by a trust agreement between the bureau 2863

or other issuer acting for the benefit of the bureau and a 2864 corporate trustee that is a trust company or bank having the 2865 powers of a trust company within or without the state, and the 2866 trust agreement shall pledge or assign to the retirement of the 2867 bonds or notes, all moneys paid by the county under this 2868 section. A tax the revenues from which are pledged under an 2869 agreement entered into by a board of county commissioners under 2870 this section shall not be subject to diminution by initiative or 2871 referendum, or diminution by statute, unless provision is made 2872 2873 therein for an adequate substitute therefor reasonably satisfactory to the trustee under the trust agreement that 2874 secures the bonds and notes. 2875

(D) A pledge of money by a county under division (B) of
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this section shall not be indebtedness of the county for
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purposes of Chapter 133. of the Revised Code.
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(E) If the terms of the agreement so provide, the board of
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county commissioners may acquire and lease real property to the
convention bureau as the site of the convention center. The
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lease shall be on such terms as are set forth in the agreement.
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The purchase and lease are not subject to the limitations of
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sections 307.02 and 307.09 of the Revised Code.

(F) In addition to the authority granted to a board of 2885 county commissioners under divisions (B) to (E) of this section, 2886 a board of county commissioners in a county with a population of 2887 one million two hundred thousand or more, or a county with a 2888 population greater than four hundred thousand wherein the 2889 population of the largest city comprises more than one-third of 2890 that county's population, may purchase, for cash or by 2891 installment payments, enter into lease-purchase agreements for, 2892 lease with an option to purchase, lease, construct, enlarge, 2893

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improve, rebuild, equip, or furnish a convention center. 2894 (G) The board of county commissioners of a county with a 2895 population greater than four hundred thousand wherein the 2896 population of the largest city comprises more than one-third of 2897 that county's population may undertake, finance, operate, and 2898 maintain a project. The board may lease a project to an entity 2899 on terms that the board determines to be in the best interest of 2900 the county and in furtherance of the public purpose of the 2901 project; the lease may be for a term of thirty-five years or 2902 2903 less and may provide for an option of the entity to renew the lease for a term of thirty-five years or less. The board may 2904 enter into an agreement with an entity with respect to a project 2905 on terms that the board determines to be in the best interest of 2906 the county and in furtherance of the public purpose of the 2907 project. To the extent provided for in an agreement or a lease 2908 with an entity, the board may authorize the entity to administer 2909 on behalf of the board any contracts for the project. The board 2910 may enter into an agreement providing for the sale to a person 2911 of naming rights to a project or portion of a project, for a 2912 period, for consideration, and on other terms and conditions 2913 that the board determines to be in the best interest of the 2914 county and in furtherance of the public purpose of the project. 2915 The board may enter into an agreement with a person owning or 2916 operating a professional athletic or sports team providing for 2917 the use by that person of a project or portion of a project for 2918 that team's offices, training, practices, and home games for a 2919 period, for consideration, and on other terms and conditions 2920 that the board determines to be in the best interest of the 2921 county and in furtherance of the public purpose of the project. 2922 The board may establish ticket charges or surcharges for 2923 admission to events at a project, charges or surcharges for 2924

parking for events at a project, and charges for the use of a 2925 project or any portion of a project, including suites and 2926 seating rights, and may, as necessary, enter into agreements 2927 related thereto with persons for a period, for consideration, 2928 and on other terms and conditions that the board determines to 2929 be in the best interest of the county and in furtherance of the 2930 public purpose of the project. A lease or agreement authorized 2931 by this division is not subject to sections 307.02, 307.09, and 2932 307.12 of the Revised Code. 2933

(H) Notwithstanding any contrary provision in Chapter 2934 5739. of the Revised Code, after adopting a resolution declaring 2935 it to be in the best interest of the county to undertake a 2936 project as described in division (G) of this section, the board 2937 of county commissioners of an eligible county may adopt a 2938 resolution enacting or increasing any lodging taxes within the 2939 limits specified in Chapter 5739. of the Revised Code with 2940 respect to those lodging taxes and amending any prior resolution 2941 under which any of its lodging taxes have been imposed in order 2942 to provide that those taxes, after deducting the real and actual 2943 costs of administering the taxes and any portion of the taxes 2944 returned to any municipal corporation or township as provided in 2945 division (A)(1) of section 5739.09 of the Revised Code, shall be 2946 used by the board for the purposes of undertaking, financing, 2947 operating, and maintaining the project, including paying debt 2948 charges on any securities issued by the board under division (I) 2949 of this section, or to make contributions to the convention and 2950 visitors' bureau operating within the county, or to promote, 2951 advertise, and market the region in which the county is located, 2952 all as the board may determine and make appropriations for from 2953 time to time, subject to the terms of any pledge to the payment 2954 of debt charges on outstanding general obligation securities or 2955 special obligation securities authorized under division (I) of 2956 this section. A resolution adopted under division (H) of this 2957 section shall be adopted not earlier than January 15, 2007, and 2958 not later than January 15, 2008. 2959

A resolution adopted under division (H) of this section 2960 may direct the board of elections to submit the question of 2961 enacting or increasing lodging taxes, as the case may be, to the 2962 electors of the county at a special election held on the date 2963 specified by the board in the resolution, provided that the 2964 election occurs not less than ninety days after a certified copy 2965 of the resolution is transmitted to the board of elections and 2966 no later than January 15, 2008. A resolution submitted to the 2967 electors under this division shall not go into effect unless it 2968 is approved by a majority of those voting upon it. A resolution 2969 adopted under division (H) of this section that is not submitted 2970 to the electors of the county for their approval or disapproval 2971 is subject to a referendum as provided in sections 305.31 to 2972 305.41 of the Revised Code. 2973

A resolution adopted under division (H) of this section 2974 2975 takes effect upon its adoption, unless the resolution is submitted to the electors of the county for their approval or 2976 disapproval, in which case the resolution takes effect on the 2977 date the board of county commissioners receives notification 2978 from the board of elections of the affirmative vote. Lodging 2979 taxes received after the effective date of the resolution may be 2980 used for the purposes described in division (H) of this section, 2981 except that lodging taxes that have been pledged to the payment 2982 of debt charges on any bonds or notes issued by or for the 2983 benefit of a convention and visitors' bureau under division (C) 2984 of this section shall be used exclusively for that purpose until 2985 such time as the bonds or notes are no longer outstanding under 2986

the trust agreement securing those bonds or notes.

(I) (1) The board of county commissioners of a county with 2988 a population greater than four hundred thousand wherein the 2989 population of the largest city comprises more than one-third of 2990 that county's population may issue the following securities of 2991 the county for the purpose of paying costs of the project, 2992 refunding any outstanding county securities issued for that 2993 purpose, refunding any outstanding bonds or notes issued by or 2994 for the benefit of the bureau under division (C) of this 2995 section, or for any combination of those purposes: 2996

(a) General obligation securities issued under Chapter
133. of the Revised Code. The resolution authorizing these
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securities may include covenants to appropriate annually from
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lawfully available lodging taxes, and to continue to levy and
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collect those lodging taxes in, amounts necessary to meet the
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debt charges on those securities.

3003 (b) Special obligation securities issued under Chapter 133. of the Revised Code that are secured only by lawfully 3004 available lodging taxes and any other taxes and revenues pledged 3005 to pay the debt charges on those securities, except ad valorem 3006 property taxes. The resolution authorizing those securities 3007 shall include a pledge of and covenants to appropriate annually 3008 from lawfully available lodging taxes and any other taxes and 3009 revenues pledged for such purpose, and to continue to collect 3010 any of those revenues pledged for such purpose and to levy and 3011 collect those lodging taxes and any other taxes pledged for such 3012 purpose, in amounts necessary to meet the debt charges on those 3013 securities. The pledge is valid and binding from the time the 3014 pledge is made, and the lodging taxes so pledged and thereafter 3015 received by the county are immediately subject to the lien of 3016

the pledge without any physical delivery of the lodging taxes or 3017 further act. The lien of any pledge is valid and binding as 3018 against all parties having claims of any kind in tort, contract, 3019 or otherwise against the county, regardless of whether such 3020 parties have notice of the lien. Neither the resolution nor any 3021 trust agreement by which a pledge is created or further 3022 evidenced is required to be filed or recorded except in the 3023 records of the board. The special obligation securities shall 3024 contain a statement on their face to the effect that they are 3025 not general obligation securities, and, unless paid from other 3026 sources, are payable from the pledged lodging taxes. 3027

(c) Revenue securities authorized under section 133.08 of
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the Revised Code and issued under Chapter 133. of the Revised
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Code that are secured only by lawfully available project
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revenues pledged to pay the debt charges on those securities.
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(2) The securities described in division (I) (1) of this3032section are subject to Chapter 133. of the Revised Code.3033

(3) Section 133.34 of the Revised Code, except for 3034 division (A) of that section, applies to the issuance of any 3035 refunding securities authorized under this division. In lieu of 3036 division (A) of section 133.34 of the Revised Code, the board of 3037 county commissioners shall establish the maturity date or dates, 3038 the interest payable on, and other terms of refunding securities 3039 as it considers necessary or appropriate for their issuance, 3040 provided that the final maturity of refunding securities shall 3041 not exceed by more than ten years the final maturity of any 3042 bonds refunded by refunding securities. 3043

(4) The board may not repeal, rescind, or reduce all or
any portion of any lodging taxes pledged to the payment of debt
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charges on any outstanding special obligation securities
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authorized under this division, and no portion of any lodging3047taxes that is pledged, or that the board has covenanted to levy,3048collect, and appropriate annually to pay debt charges on any3049outstanding securities authorized under this division is subject3050to repeal, rescission, or reduction by the electorate of the3051county.3052

Sec. 319.301. (A) The reductions required by division (D)3053of this section do not apply to any of the following:3054

(1) Taxes levied at whatever rate is required to produce a 3055
specified amount of tax money, including a tax levied under 3056
section 5705.199, 5705.211, or 5748.09 of the Revised Code, or 3057
an amount to pay debt charges; 3058

(2) Taxes levied within the one per cent limitation3059imposed by Section 2 of Article XII, Ohio Constitution;3060

(3) Taxes provided for by the charter of a municipal30613062

(B) As used in this section:

(1) "Real property" includes real property owned by a 3064railroad. 3065

(2) "Carryover property" means all real property on the3066current year's tax list except:3067

(a) Land and improvements that were not taxed by thedistrict in both the preceding year and the current year;3069

(b) Land and improvements that were not in the same class3070in both the preceding year and the current year.3071

(3) "Effective tax rate" means with respect to each class3072of property:3073

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(a) The sum of the total taxes that would have been 3074
charged and payable for current expenses against real property 3075
in that class if each of the district's taxes were reduced for 3076
the current year under division (D) (1) of this section without 3077
regard to the application of division (E) (3) of this section 3078
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(b) The taxable value of all real property in that class. 3080

(4) "Taxes charged and payable" means the taxes chargedand payable prior to any reduction required by section 319.302of the Revised Code.3083

(C) The tax commissioner shall make the determinations
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required by this section each year, without regard to whether a
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taxing district has territory in a county to which section
5715.24 of the Revised Code applies for that year. Separate
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determinations shall be made for each of the two classes
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established pursuant to section 5713.041 of the Revised Code.

(D) With respect to each tax authorized to be levied byach taxing district, the tax commissioner, annually, shall doboth of the following:3092

(1) Determine by what percentage, if any, the sums levied 3093 by such tax against the carryover property in each class would 3094 have to be reduced for the tax to levy the same number of 3095 dollars against such property in that class in the current year 3096 as were charged against such property by such tax in the 3097 preceding year subsequent to the reduction made under this 3098 section but before the reduction made under section 319.302 of 3099 the Revised Code. In the case of a tax levied for the first time 3100 that is not a renewal of an existing tax, the commissioner shall 3101 determine by what percentage the sums that would otherwise be 3102

levied by such tax against carryover property in each class
would have to be reduced to equal the amount that would have
been levied if the full rate thereof had been imposed against
the total taxable value of such property in the preceding tax
year. A tax or portion of a tax that is designated a replacement
levy under section 5705.192 of the Revised Code is not a renewal
of an existing tax for purposes of this division.

(2) Certify each percentage determined in division (D)(1) 3110 of this section, as adjusted under division (E) of this section, 3111 and the class of property to which that percentage applies to 3112 the auditor of each county in which the district has territory. 3113 The auditor, after complying with section 319.30 of the Revised 3114 Code, shall reduce the sum to be levied by such tax against each 3115 parcel of real property in the district by the percentage so 3116 certified for its class. Certification shall be made by the 3117 first day of September except in the case of a tax levied for 3118 the first time, in which case certification shall be made within 3119 fifteen days of the date the county auditor submits the 3120 information necessary to make the required determination. 3121

(E) (1) As used in division (E) (2) of this section, "pre-3122
1982 joint vocational taxes" means, with respect to a class of 3123
property, the difference between the following amounts: 3124

(a) The taxes charged and payable in tax year 1981 against
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the property in that class for the current expenses of the joint
vocational school district of which the school district is a
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part after making all reductions under this section;
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(b) The following percentage Two-tenths of one per cent of3129the taxable value of all real property in that class:3130

(i) In 1987, five one-hundredths of one per cent;

| (ii) In 1988, one tenth of one per cent;                         | 3132 |
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| (iii) In 1989, fifteen one-hundredths of one per cent;           | 3133 |
| (iv) In 1990 and each subsequent year, two-tenths of one         | 3134 |
| per cent.  | 3135 |
| If the amount in division (E)(1)(b) of this section              | 3136 |
| exceeds the amount in division (E)(1)(a) of this section, the    | 3137 |
| pre-1982 joint vocational taxes shall be zero.                   | 3138 |
| As used in divisions (E)(2) and (3) of this section,             | 3139 |
| "taxes charged and payable" has the same meaning as in division  | 3140 |
| (B)(4) of this section and excludes any tax charged and payable  | 3141 |
| in 1985 or thereafter under sections 5705.194 to 5705.197 or     | 3142 |
| section 5705.199, 5705.213, 5705.219, or 5748.09 of the Revised  | 3143 |
| Code.  | 3144 |
| (2) If in the case of a school district other than a joint       | 3145 |
| vocational or cooperative education school district any          | 3146 |
| percentage required to be used in division (D)(2) of this        | 3147 |
| section for either class of property could cause the total taxes | 3148 |
| charged and payable for current expenses to be less than two per | 3149 |
| cent of the taxable value of all real property in that class     | 3150 |
| that is subject to taxation by the district, the commissioner    | 3151 |
| shall determine what percentages would cause the district's      | 3152 |
| total taxes charged and payable for current expenses against     | 3153 |
| that class, after all reductions that would otherwise be made    | 3154 |
| under this section, to equal, when combined with the pre-1982    | 3155 |
| joint vocational taxes against that class, the lesser of the     | 3156 |
| following:   | 3157 |
| (a) The sum of the rates at which those taxes are                | 3158 |
| authorized to be levied;   | 3159 |

(b) Two per cent of the taxable value of the property in 3160

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| that class. The auditor shall use such percentages in making the                   | 3161 |
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| reduction required by this section for that class.                                 | 3162 |
| (3) $(a)$ If in the case of a joint vocational school                              | 3163 |
| district any percentage required to be used in division (D)(2)                     | 3164 |
| of this section for either class of property could cause the                       | 3165 |
| total taxes charged and payable for current expenses for that                      | 3166 |
| class to be less than <del>the designated amount<u>two-tenths</u> of one per</del> | 3167 |
| cent of the taxable value of that class, the commissioner shall                    | 3168 |
| determine what percentages would cause the district's total                        | 3169 |
| taxes charged and payable for current expenses for that class,                     | 3170 |
| after all reductions that would otherwise be made under this                       | 3171 |
| section, to equal <del>the designated <u>that</u> a</del> mount. The auditor shall | 3172 |
| use such percentages in making the reductions required by this                     | 3173 |
| section for that class.  | 3174 |
| (b) As used in division (E)(3)(a) of this section, the                             | 3175 |
| designated amount shall equal the taxable value of all real                        | 3176 |
| property in the class that is subject to taxation by the                           | 3177 |
| district times the lesser of the following:  | 3178 |
| (i) Two-tenths of one per cent;  | 3179 |
| (ii) The district's effective rate plus the following                              | 3180 |
| percentage for the year indicated:   | 3181 |

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| D | <del>1989</del> | <del>0.075%</del> |
| Ε | <del>1990</del> | 0.1%              |
| F | <del>1991</del> | 0.125%            |
| G | <del>1992</del> | 0.15%             |
| Η | <del>1993</del> | 0.175%            |

# I 1994 and thereafter 0.2%

| (F) No       | reduction    | shall be made | under this | section in | the 3183 |
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| rate at whic | ch any tax i | s levied.     |            |            | 3184     |

(G) The commissioner may order a county auditor to furnish 3185 any information the commissioner needs to make the 3186 determinations required under division (D) or (E) of this 3187 section, and the auditor shall supply the information in the 3188 form and by the date specified in the order. If the auditor 3189 fails to comply with an order issued under this division, except 3190 for good cause as determined by the commissioner, the 3191 commissioner shall withhold from such county or taxing district 3192 therein fifty per cent of state revenues to local governments 3193 pursuant to section 5747.50 of the Revised Code or shall direct 3194 the department of education to withhold therefrom fifty per cent 3195 of state revenues to school districts pursuant to Chapter 3317. 3196 of the Revised Code. The commissioner shall withhold the 3197 3198 distribution of such revenues until the county auditor has complied with this division, and the department shall withhold 3199 the distribution of such revenues until the commissioner has 3200 notified the department that the county auditor has complied 3201

with this division.

(H) If the commissioner is unable to certify a tax 3203 reduction factor for either class of property in a taxing 3204 district located in more than one county by the last day of 3205 November because information required under division (G) of this 3206 section is unavailable, the commissioner may compute and certify 3207 an estimated tax reduction factor for that district for that 3208 class. The estimated factor shall be based upon an estimate of 3209 the unavailable information. Upon receipt of the actual 3210 3211 information for a taxing district that received an estimated tax 3212 reduction factor, the commissioner shall compute the actual tax reduction factor and use that factor to compute the taxes that 3213 3214 should have been charged and payable against each parcel of property for the year for which the estimated reduction factor 3215 was used. The amount by which the estimated factor resulted in 3216 an overpayment or underpayment in taxes on any parcel shall be 3217 added to or subtracted from the amount due on that parcel in the 3218 ensuing tax year. 3219

A percentage or a tax reduction factor determined or 3220 computed by the commissioner under this section shall be used 3221 solely for the purpose of reducing the sums to be levied by the 3222 tax to which it applies for the year for which it was determined 3223 or computed. It shall not be used in making any tax computations 3224 for any ensuing tax year. 3225

(I) In making the determinations under division (D) (1) of
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this section, the tax commissioner shall take account of changes
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in the taxable value of carryover property resulting from
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complaints filed under section 5715.19 of the Revised Code for
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determinations made for the tax year in which such changes are
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reported to the commissioner. Such changes shall be reported to

the commissioner on the first abstract of real property filed 3232 with the commissioner under section 5715.23 of the Revised Code 3233 following the date on which the complaint is finally determined 3234 by the board of revision or by a court or other authority with 3235 jurisdiction on appeal. The tax commissioner shall account for 3236 such changes in making the determinations only for the tax year 3237 in which the change in valuation is reported. Such a valuation 3238 change shall not be used to recompute the percentages determined 3239 under division (D)(1) of this section for any prior tax year. 3240

Sec. 321.03. At the request of the county treasurer, a 3241 board of county commissioners may enter into a contract with any 3242 financial institution under which the financial institution, in 3243 accordance with the terms of the contract, receives at a post 3244 office box any type of payment or fee owed or payable to the 3245 county, opens the mail delivered to that box, processes the 3246 checks and other payments received in such mail and deposits 3247 them into the treasurer's account, and provides the county au3248 treasurer daily receipt information with respect to such 3249 payments. The contract may provide for the financial institution 3250 to receive at the post office box those payments and fees 3251 3252 specifically named in the contract or all payments and fees payable to the county, including, but not limited to, utility, 3253 sewer, water, refuse collection, waste disposal, and airport 3254 fees, but in any case excluding taxes. The contract shall not be 3255 entered into unless: 3256

(A) There is attached to the contract a certification by
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the auditor of state that the financial institution and the
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treasurer have given assurances satisfactory to the auditor of
state that the records of the financial institution, to the
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extent that they relate to payments covered by the contract,
shall be subject to examination by the auditor of state to the

same extent as if the services that the financial institution3263has agreed to perform were being performed by the treasurer.3264

(B) The contract is awarded in accordance with sections 307.86 to 307.92 of the Revised Code.

(C) The treasurer's surety bond includes within its
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 coverage any loss that might occur as the result of the
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 contract.
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(D) The provisions of the contract do not conflict with 3270accounting and reporting requirements prescribed by the auditor 3271of state. 3272

Sec. 321.20. On the first day of each month in each year,3273the county treasurer shall deposit with the county auditor all3274warrants he the treasurer has redeemded redeemed and take the3275auditor's receipt for them.3276

Sec. 323.154. The county auditor shall approve or deny an 3277 application for reduction under section 323.152 of the Revised 3278 Code and shall so notify the applicant not later than the first 3279 Monday in October within thirty days after the application is 3280 approved or denied. Notification shall be provided on a form 3281 prescribed by the tax commissioner. If the application is 3282 approved, upon issuance of the notification the county auditor 3283 shall record the amount of reduction in taxes in the appropriate 3284 column on the general tax list and duplicate of real and public 3285 utility property and on the manufactured home tax list. If the 3286 application is denied, the notification shall inform the 3287 applicant of the reasons for the denial. 3288

If an applicant believes that the application for3289reduction has been improperly denied or that the reduction is3290for less than that to which the applicant is entitled, the3291

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| applicant may file an appeal with the county board of revision   | 3292 |
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| not later than - the date of closing of the collection for the   | 3293 |
| first half of real and public utility property taxes or          | 3294 |
| manufactured home taxes _ sixty days after the notification was  | 3295 |
| issued under this section. The appeal shall be treated in the    | 3296 |
| same manner as a complaint relating to the valuation or          | 3297 |
| assessment of real property under Chapter 5715. of the Revised   | 3298 |
| Code.  | 3299 |
| Sec. 351.01. As used in this chapter:                            | 3300 |
| (A) "Convention facilities authority" means a body               | 3301 |
| corporate and politic created pursuant to section 351.02 of the  | 3302 |
| Revised Code.  | 3303 |
| (B) "Governmental agency" means a department, division, or       | 3304 |
| other unit of the state government or of a municipal             | 3305 |
| corporation, county, township, or other political subdivision of | 3306 |
| the state; any state university or college, as defined in        | 3307 |
| section 3345.12 of the Revised Code, community college, state    | 3308 |
| community college, university branch, or technical college; any  | 3309 |
| other public corporation or agency having the power to acquire,  | 3310 |
| construct, or operate facilities; the United States or any       | 3311 |
| agency thereof; and any agency, commission, or authority         | 3312 |
| established pursuant to an interstate compact or agreement.      | 3313 |
| (C) "Person" means any individual, firm, partnership,            | 3314 |
| association, or corporation, or any combination of them.         | 3315 |
| (D) "Facility" or "facilities" means any convention,             | 3316 |
| entertainment, or sports facility, or combination of them,       | 3317 |
| located within the territory of the convention facilities        | 3318 |
| authority, together with all hotels, parking facilities,         | 3319 |
| walkways, and other auxiliary facilities, real and personal      | 3320 |
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property, property rights, easements and interests that may be appropriate for, or used in connection with, the operation of the facility.

(E) "Cost" means the cost of acquisition of all land, 3324 rights-of-way, property rights, easements, franchise rights, and 3325 interests required for such acquisition; the cost of demolishing 3326 or removing any buildings or structures on land so acquired, 3327 including the cost of acquiring any lands to which such 3328 buildings or structures may be moved; the cost of acquiring or 3329 constructing and equipping a principal office of the convention 3330 3331 facilities authority; the cost of diverting highways, interchange of highways, access roads to private property, 3332 including the cost of land or easements for such access roads; 3333 the cost of public utility and common carrier relocation or 3334 duplication; the cost of all machinery, furnishings, and 3335 equipment; financing charges; interest prior to and during 3336 construction and for no more than eighteen months after 3337 completion of construction; expenses of research and development 3338 with respect to facilities; legal expenses; expenses of 3339 obtaining plans, specifications, engineering surveys, studies, 3340 and estimates of cost and revenues; working capital; expenses 3341 necessary or incident to determining the feasibility or 3342 practicability of acquiring or constructing such facility; 3343 administrative expense; and such other expenses as may be 3344 necessary or incident to the acquisition or construction of the 3345 facility, the financing of such acquisition or construction, 3346 including the amount authorized in the resolution of the 3347 convention facilities authority providing for the issuance of 3348 convention facilities authority revenue bonds to be paid into 3349 any special funds from the proceeds of such bonds, the cost of 3350 issuing the bonds, and the financing of the placing of such 3351

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facility in operation. Any obligation, cost, or expense incurred 3352 by any governmental agency or person for surveys, borings, 3353 preparation of plans and specifications, and other engineering 3354 services, or any other cost described above, in connection with 3355 the acquisition or construction of a facility may be regarded as 3356 part of the cost of such facility and may be reimbursed out of 3357 the proceeds of convention facilities authority revenue bonds as 3358 authorized by this chapter. 3359

(F) "Owner" includes a person having any title or interest 3360in any property, rights, easements, or interests authorized to 3361be acquired by Chapter 351. of the Revised Code. 3362

(G) "Revenues" means all rentals and other charges 3363 received by the convention facilities authority for the use or 3364 services of any facility, the sale of any merchandise, or the 3365 operation of any concessions; any gift or grant received with 3366 respect to any facility, any moneys received with respect to the 3367 lease, sublease, sale, including installment sale or conditional 3368 sale, or other disposition of a facility or part thereof; moneys 3369 received in repayment of and for interest on any loans made by 3370 the authority to a person or governmental agency, whether from 3371 the United States or any department, administration, or agency 3372 3373 thereof, or otherwise; proceeds of convention facilities authority revenue bonds to the extent the use thereof for 3374 payment of principal or of premium, if any, or interest on the 3375 bonds is authorized by the authority; proceeds from any 3376 insurance, appropriation, or guaranty pertaining to a facility 3377 or property mortgaged to secure bonds or pertaining to the 3378 financing of the facility; income and profit from the investment 3379 of the proceeds of convention facilities authority revenue bonds 3380 or of any revenues; contributions of the proceeds of a tax 3381 levied pursuant to division  $\frac{(A)(3)}{(C)}$  of section 5739.09 of the 3382 Revised Code; and moneys transmitted to the authority pursuant3383to division (B) of section 5739.211 and division (B) of section33845741.031 of the Revised Code.3385

(H) "Public roads" includes all public highways, roads,
and streets in the state, whether maintained by the state,
county, city, township, or other political subdivision.

(I) "Construction," unless the context indicates a 3389
different meaning or intent, includes, but is not limited to, 3390
reconstruction, enlargement, improvement, or providing fixtures, 3391
furnishings, and equipment. 3392

(J) "Convention facilities authority revenue bonds" or3393"revenue bonds," unless the context indicates a different3394meaning or intent, includes convention facilities authority3395revenue notes, convention facilities authority revenue renewal3396notes, and convention facilities authority revenue refunding3397bonds.3398

(K) "Convention facilities authority tax anticipation 3399
bonds" or "tax anticipation bonds," unless the context indicates 3400
a different meaning, includes convention facilities authority 3401
tax anticipation bonds, tax anticipation notes, tax anticipation 3402
renewal notes, and tax anticipation refunding bonds. 3403

(L) "Bonds and notes" means convention facilities
 authority revenue bonds and convention facilities authority tax
 anticipation bonds.
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(M) "Territory of the authority" means all of the area of 3407the county creating the convention facilities authority. 3408

(N) "Excise taxes" means any of the taxes levied pursuant
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to division (B) or (C) of section 351.021 of the Revised Code.
"Excise taxes" does not include taxes levied pursuant to section
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4301.424, 5743.026, or 5743.324 of the Revised Code.

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(O) "Transaction" means the charge by a hotel for each 3413 occupancy by transient quests of a room or suite of rooms used 3414 in a hotel as a single unit for any period of twenty-four hours 3415 or less. 3416 (P) "Hotel" and "transient guests" have the same meanings 3417 as in section 5739.01 of the Revised Code. 3418 (Q) "Sports facility" means a facility intended to house 3419 major league professional athletic teams. 3420 (R) "Constructing" or "construction" includes providing 3421 fixtures, furnishings, and equipment. 3422 Sec. 351.03. (A) Except as provided in division (A) (3) (C) 3423 of section 5739.09 or in section 5739.026 of the Revised Code, 3424 no county creating a convention facilities authority may 3425 appropriate and expend public funds to finance or subsidize the 3426 operation of the authority. 3427 3428 (B) Subject to making due provisions for payment and performance of its obligations, a convention facilities 3429 authority may be dissolved by the county creating it. In such 3430

event the properties of the authority shall be transferred to3431the county creating it, and the county may thereupon appropriate3432and expend public funds to finance or subsidize the operation of3433such facilities.3434

Sec. 351.141. A convention facilities authority that3435levies any of the excise taxes authorized by division (B) or (C)3436of section 351.021 of the Revised Code or that receives3437contributions pursuant to division (A)(3) (C) of section 5739.093438of the Revised Code, by resolution may anticipate the proceeds3439of the levy and issue convention facilities authority tax3440

anticipation bonds, and notes anticipating the proceeds or the 3441 bonds, in the principal amount that, in the opinion of the 3442 authority, are necessary for the purpose of paying the cost of 3443 one or more facilities or parts of one or more facilities, and 3444 as able, with the interest on them, be paid over the term of the 3445 issue, or in the case of notes anticipating bonds over the term 3446 of the bonds, by the estimated amount of the excise taxes or 3447 contributions anticipated thereby. The excise taxes or 3448 contributions are determined by the general assembly to satisfy 3449 any applicable requirement of Section 11 of Article XII, Ohio 3450 Constitution. An authority, at any time, may issue renewal tax 3451 anticipation notes, issue tax anticipation bonds to pay such 3452 notes, and, whenever it considers refunding expedient, refund 3453 any tax anticipation bonds by the issuance of tax anticipation 3454 refunding bonds whether the bonds to be refunded have or have 3455 not matured, and issue tax anticipation bonds partly to refund 3456 bonds then outstanding and partly for any other authorized 3457 purpose. The refunding bonds shall be sold and the proceeds 3458 needed for such purpose applied in the manner provided in the 3459 bond proceedings to the purchase, redemption, or payment of the 3460 bonds to be refunded. 3461

Every issue of outstanding tax anticipation bonds shall be 3462 payable out of the proceeds of the excise taxes or contributions 3463 anticipated and other revenues of the authority that are pledged 3464 for such payment. The pledge shall be valid and binding from the 3465 time the pledge is made, and the anticipated excise taxes, 3466 contributions, and revenues so pledged and thereafter received 3467 by the authority immediately shall be subject to the lien of 3468 that pledge without any physical delivery of those excise taxes, 3469 contributions, and revenues or further act. The lien of any 3470 pledge is valid and binding as against all parties having claims 3471

of any kind in tort, contract, or otherwise against the3472authority, whether or not such parties have notice of the lien.3473Neither the resolution nor any trust agreement by which a pledge3474is created need be filed or recorded except in the authority's3475records.3476

Whether or not the bonds or notes are of such form and3477character as to be negotiable instruments under Title XIII of3478the Revised Code, the bonds or notes shall have all the3479qualities and incidents of negotiable instruments, subject only3480to their provisions for registration, if any.3481

The tax anticipation bonds shall bear such date or dates, 3482 and shall mature at such time or times, in the case of any such 3483 notes or any renewals of such notes not exceeding twenty years 3484 from the date of issue of such original notes and in the case of 3485 any such bonds or any refunding bonds not exceeding forty years 3486 from the date of the original issue of notes or bonds for the 3487 purpose, and shall be executed in the manner that the resolution 3488 authorizing the bonds may provide. The tax anticipation bonds 3489 shall bear interest at such rates, or at variable rate or rates 3490 changing from time to time, in accordance with provisions 3491 provided in the authorizing resolution, be in such denominations 3492 3493 and form, either coupon or registered, carry such registration privileges, be payable in such medium of payment and at such 3494 place or places, and be subject to such terms of redemption, as 3495 the authority may authorize or provide. The tax anticipation 3496 bonds may be sold at public or private sale, and at, or at not 3497 less than the price or prices as the authority determines. If 3498 any officer whose signature or a facsimile of whose signature 3499 appears on any bonds or coupons ceases to be such officer before 3500 delivery of the bonds, the signature or facsimile shall 3501 nevertheless be sufficient for all purposes as if the officer 3502

had remained in office until delivery of the bonds, and in case 3503 the seal of the authority has been changed after a facsimile has 3504 been imprinted on the bonds, the facsimile seal will continue to 3505 be sufficient for all purposes. 3506

Any resolution or resolutions authorizing any tax 3507 anticipation bonds or any issue of tax anticipation bonds may 3508 contain provisions, subject to any agreements with bondholders 3509 as may then exist, which provisions shall be a part of the 3510 contract with the holders of the bonds, as to the pledging of 3511 3512 any or all of the authority's anticipated excise taxes, 3513 contributions, and revenues to secure the payment of the bonds or of any issue of the bonds; the use and disposition of 3514 revenues of the authority; the crediting of the proceeds of the 3515 sale of bonds to and among the funds referred to or provided for 3516 in the resolution; limitations on the purpose to which the 3517 proceeds of sale of the bonds may be applied and the pledging of 3518 portions of such proceeds to secure the payment of the bonds or 3519 of any issue of the bonds; as to notes issued in anticipation of 3520 the issuance of bonds, the agreement of the authority to do all 3521 things necessary for the authorization, issuance, and sale of 3522 such bonds in such amounts as may be necessary for the timely 3523 retirement of such notes; limitations on the issuance of 3524 additional bonds; the terms upon which additional bonds may be 3525 issued and secured; the refunding of outstanding bonds; the 3526 procedure, if any, by which the terms of any contract with 3527 bondholders may be amended, the amount of bonds the holders of 3528 which must consent thereto, and the manner in which such consent 3529 may be given; securing any bonds by a trust agreement in 3530 accordance with section 351.16 of the Revised Code; any other 3531 matters, of like or different character, that in any way affect 3532 the security or protection of the bonds. The excise taxes 3533

anticipated by the bonds, including bonds anticipated by notes,3534shall not be subject to diminution by initiative or referendum3535or by law while the bonds or notes remain outstanding in3536accordance with their terms, unless provision is made by law or3537by the authority for an adequate substitute therefor reasonably3538satisfactory to the trustee, if a trust agreement secures the3539bonds.3540

Neither the members of the board of directors of the3541authority nor any person executing the bonds shall be liable3542personally on the bonds or be subject to any personal liability3543or accountability by reason of the issuance thereof.3544

Sec. 718.01. Any term used in this chapter that is not 3545 otherwise defined in this chapter has the same meaning as when 3546 used in a comparable context in laws of the United States 3547 relating to federal income taxation or in Title LVII of the 3548 Revised Code, unless a different meaning is clearly required. 3549 Except as provided in section 718.81 of the Revised Code, if a 3550 term used in this chapter that is not otherwise defined in this 3551 chapter is used in a comparable context in both the laws of the 3552 United States relating to federal income tax and in Title LVII 3553 of the Revised Code and the use is not consistent, then the use 3554 of the term in the laws of the United States relating to federal 3555 income tax shall control over the use of the term in Title LVII 3556 of the Revised Code. 3557

Except as otherwise provided in section 718.81 of the3558Revised Code, as used in this chapter:3559

(A)(1) "Municipal taxable income" means the following: 3560

(a) For a person other than an individual, income 3561apportioned or sitused to the municipal corporation under 3562

section 718.02 of the Revised Code, as applicable, reduced by 3563 any pre-2017 net operating loss carryforward available to the 3564 person for the municipal corporation. 3565

(b) (i) For an individual who is a resident of a municipal
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corporation other than a qualified municipal corporation, income
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reduced by exempt income to the extent otherwise included in
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income, then reduced as provided in division (A) (2) of this
section, and further reduced by any pre-2017 net operating loss
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carryforward available to the individual for the municipal
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corporation.

(ii) For an individual who is a resident of a qualified 3573 municipal corporation, Ohio adjusted gross income reduced by 3574 income exempted, and increased by deductions excluded, by the 3575 qualified municipal corporation from the qualified municipal 3576 corporation's tax. If a qualified municipal corporation, on or 3577 before December 31, 2013, exempts income earned by individuals 3578 who are not residents of the qualified municipal corporation and 3579 net profit of persons that are not wholly located within the 3580 qualified municipal corporation, such individual or person shall 3581 have no municipal taxable income for the purposes of the tax 3582 levied by the qualified municipal corporation and may be 3583 3584 exempted by the qualified municipal corporation from the requirements of section 718.03 of the Revised Code. 3585

(c) For an individual who is a nonresident of a municipal
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corporation, income reduced by exempt income to the extent
otherwise included in income and then, as applicable,
apportioned or sitused to the municipal corporation under
section 718.02 of the Revised Code, then reduced as provided in
division (A) (2) of this section, and further reduced by any pre2017 net operating loss carryforward available to the individual
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for the municipal corporation.

(2) In computing the municipal taxable income of a 3594 taxpayer who is an individual, the taxpayer may subtract, as 3595 provided in division (A)(1)(b)(i) or (c) of this section, the 3596 amount of the individual's employee business expenses reported 3597 on the individual's form 2106 that the individual deducted for 3598 federal income tax purposes for the taxable year, subject to the 3599 limitation imposed by section 67 of the Internal Revenue Code. 3600 For the municipal corporation in which the taxpayer is a 3601 3602 resident, the taxpayer may deduct all such expenses allowed for 3603 federal income tax purposes. For a municipal corporation in which the taxpayer is not a resident, the taxpayer may deduct 3604 such expenses only to the extent the expenses are related to the 3605 taxpayer's performance of personal services in that nonresident 3606 municipal corporation. 3607

(B) "Income" means the following:

(1) (a) For residents, all income, salaries, qualifying 3609 wages, commissions, and other compensation from whatever source 3610 earned or received by the resident, including the resident's 3611 distributive share of the net profit of pass-through entities 3612 owned directly or indirectly by the resident and any net profit 3613 of the resident, except as provided in division (D) (5) of this 3614 section. 3615

(b) For the purposes of division (B)(1)(a) of this 3616 section: 3617

(i) Any net operating loss of the resident incurred in the
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taxable year and the resident's distributive share of any net
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operating loss generated in the same taxable year and
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attributable to the resident's ownership interest in a pass3621

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through entity shall be allowed as a deduction, for that taxable3622year and the following five taxable years, against any other net3623profit of the resident or the resident's distributive share of3624any net profit attributable to the resident's ownership interest3625in a pass-through entity until fully utilized, subject to3626division (B) (1) (d) of this section;3627

(ii) The resident's distributive share of the net profit
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(c) Division (B) (1) (b) of this section does not apply with
respect to any net profit or net operating loss attributable to
an ownership interest in an S corporation unless shareholders'
distributive shares of net profits from S corporations are
subject to tax in the municipal corporation as provided in
division (C) (14) (b) or (c) of this section.

(d) Any amount of a net operating loss used to reduce a 3640
taxpayer's net profit for a taxable year shall reduce the amount 3641
of net operating loss that may be carried forward to any 3642
subsequent year for use by that taxpayer. In no event shall the 3643
cumulative deductions for all taxable years with respect to a 3644
taxpayer's net operating loss exceed the original amount of that 3645
net operating loss available to that taxpayer. 3646

(2) In the case of nonresidents, all income, salaries,
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qualifying wages, commissions, and other compensation from
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whatever source earned or received by the nonresident for work
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done, services performed or rendered, or activities conducted in
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the municipal corporation, including any net profit of the
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nonresident, but excluding the nonresident's distributive share 3652 of the net profit or loss of only pass-through entities owned 3653 directly or indirectly by the nonresident. 3654

(3) For taxpayers that are not individuals, net profit of3655the taxpayer;3656

(4) Lottery, sweepstakes, gambling and sports winnings,
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winnings from games of chance, and prizes and awards. If the
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taxpayer is a professional gambler for federal income tax
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purposes, the taxpayer may deduct related wagering losses and
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expenses to the extent authorized under the Internal Revenue
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Code and claimed against such winnings.

(C) "Exempt income" means all of the following:

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(2)(a) Except as provided in division (C)(2)(b) of this 3667
section, intangible income; 3668

(b) A municipal corporation that taxed any type of 3669 intangible income on March 29, 1988, pursuant to Section 3 of 3670 S.B. 238 of the 116th general assembly, may continue to tax that 3671 type of income if a majority of the electors of the municipal 3672 corporation voting on the question of whether to permit the 3673 taxation of that type of intangible income after 1988 voted in 3674 favor thereof at an election held on November 8, 1988. 3675

(3) Social security benefits, railroad retirement
 benefits, unemployment compensation, pensions, retirement
 benefit payments, payments from annuities, and similar payments
 made to an employee or to the beneficiary of an employee under a
 retirement program or plan, disability payments received from
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private industry or local, state, or federal governments or from3681charitable, religious or educational organizations, and the3682proceeds of sickness, accident, or liability insurance policies.3683As used in division (C) (3) of this section, "unemployment3684compensation" does not include supplemental unemployment3685compensation described in section 3402 (o) (2) of the Internal3686Revenue Code.3687

(4) The income of religious, fraternal, charitable,
scientific, literary, or educational institutions to the extent
such income is derived from tax-exempt real estate, tax-exempt
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tangible or intangible property, or tax-exempt activities.

(5) Compensation paid under section 3501.28 or 3501.36 of 3692 the Revised Code to a person serving as a precinct election 3693 official to the extent that such compensation does not exceed 3694 one thousand dollars for the taxable year. Such compensation in 3695 excess of one thousand dollars for the taxable year may be 3696 subject to taxation by a municipal corporation. A municipal 3697 corporation shall not require the payer of such compensation to 3698 withhold any tax from that compensation. 3699

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(7) Alimony and child support received;

(8) Compensation for personal injuries or for damages to
property from insurance proceeds or otherwise, excluding
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compensation paid for lost salaries or wages or compensation
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from punitive damages;
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(9) Income of a public utility when that public utility is3708subject to the tax levied under section 5727.24 or 5727.30 of3709

defined in division (R) of this section;

the Revised Code. Division (C) (9) of this section does not apply 3710 for purposes of Chapter 5745. of the Revised Code. 3711 (10) Gains from involuntary conversions, interest on 3712 federal obligations, items of income subject to a tax levied by 3713 the state and that a municipal corporation is specifically 3714 prohibited by law from taxing, and income of a decedent's estate 3715 during the period of administration except such income from the 3716 operation of a trade or business; 3717 (11) Compensation or allowances excluded from federal 3718 gross income under section 107 of the Internal Revenue Code; 3719 (12) Employee compensation that is not qualifying wages as 3720

(13) Compensation paid to a person employed within the 3722 boundaries of a United States air force base under the 3723 jurisdiction of the United States air force that is used for the 3724 housing of members of the United States air force and is a 3725 center for air force operations, unless the person is subject to 3726 taxation because of residence or domicile. If the compensation 3727 is subject to taxation because of residence or domicile, tax on 3728 such income shall be payable only to the municipal corporation 3729 of residence or domicile. 3730

(14) (a) Except as provided in division (C) (14) (b) or (c) 3731 of this section, an S corporation shareholder's distributive 3732 share of net profits of the S corporation, other than any part 3733 of the distributive share of net profits that represents wages 3734 as defined in section 3121(a) of the Internal Revenue Code or 3735 net earnings from self-employment as defined in section 1402(a) 3736 of the Internal Revenue Code. 3737

(b) If, pursuant to division (H) of former section 718.01 3738

of the Revised Code as it existed before March 11, 2004, a3739majority of the electors of a municipal corporation voted in3740favor of the question at an election held on November 4, 2003,3741the municipal corporation may continue after 2002 to tax an S3742corporation shareholder's distributive share of net profits of3743an S corporation.3744

(c) If, on December 6, 2002, a municipal corporation was 3745 imposing, assessing, and collecting a tax on an S corporation 3746 shareholder's distributive share of net profits of the S 3747 corporation to the extent the distributive share would be 3748 allocated or apportioned to this state under divisions (B)(1) 3749 and (2) of section 5733.05 of the Revised Code if the S 3750 3751 corporation were a corporation subject to taxes imposed under Chapter 5733. of the Revised Code, the municipal corporation may 3752 continue to impose the tax on such distributive shares to the 3753 extent such shares would be so allocated or apportioned to this 3754 state only until December 31, 2004, unless a majority of the 3755 electors of the municipal corporation voting on the question of 3756 continuing to tax such shares after that date voted in favor of 3757 that question at an election held November 2, 2004. If a 3758 majority of those electors voted in favor of the question, the 3759 municipal corporation may continue after December 31, 2004, to 3760 impose the tax on such distributive shares only to the extent 3761 such shares would be so allocated or apportioned to this state. 3762

(d) A municipal corporation shall be deemed to have3763elected to tax S corporation shareholders' distributive shares3764of net profits of the S corporation in the hands of the3765shareholders if a majority of the electors of a municipal3766corporation voted in favor of a question at an election held3767under division (C) (14) (b) or (c) of this section. The municipal3768corporation shall specify by resolution or ordinance that the3769

tax applies to the distributive share of a shareholder of an S3770corporation in the hands of the shareholder of the S3771corporation.3772

(15) To the extent authorized under a resolution or
ordinance adopted by a municipal corporation before January 1,
2016, all or a portion of the income of individuals or a class
of individuals under eighteen years of age.
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(16) (a) Except as provided in divisions (C) (16) (b), (c), 3777
and (d) of this section, qualifying wages described in division 3778
(B) (1) or (E) of section 718.011 of the Revised Code to the 3779
extent the qualifying wages are not subject to withholding for 3780
the municipal corporation under either of those divisions. 3781

(b) The exemption provided in division (C) (16) (a) of this
 section does not apply with respect to the municipal corporation
 in which the employee resided at the time the employee earned
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 the qualifying wages.
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(c) The exemption provided in division (C) (16) (a) of this
section does not apply to qualifying wages that an employer
elects to withhold under division (D) (2) of section 718.011 of
the Revised Code.

(d) The exemption provided in division (C) (16) (a) of this
section does not apply to qualifying wages if both of the
following conditions apply:
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(i) For qualifying wages described in division (B) (1) of 3793
section 718.011 of the Revised Code, the employee's employer 3794
withholds and remits tax on the qualifying wages to the 3795
municipal corporation in which the employee's principal place of 3796
work is situated, or, for qualifying wages described in division 3797
(E) of section 718.011 of the Revised Code, the employee's 3798

employer withholds and remits tax on the qualifying wages to the 3799 municipal corporation in which the employer's fixed location is 3800 located; 3801

(ii) The employee receives a refund of the tax described
in division (C) (16) (d) (i) of this section on the basis of the
employee not performing services in that municipal corporation.
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(17) (a) Except as provided in division (C) (17) (b) or (c) 3805 of this section, compensation that is not qualifying wages paid 3806 to a nonresident individual for personal services performed in 3807 the municipal corporation on not more than twenty days in a 3808 taxable year. 3809

(b) The exemption provided in division (C) (17) (a) of this
section does not apply under either of the following
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circumstances:

(i) The individual's base of operation is located in the3813municipal corporation.3814

(ii) The individual is a professional athlete, 3815 professional entertainer, or public figure, and the compensation 3816 is paid for the performance of services in the individual's 3817 capacity as a professional athlete, professional entertainer, or 3818 public figure. For purposes of division (C) (17) (b) (ii) of this 3819 section, "professional athlete," "professional entertainer," and 3820 "public figure" have the same meanings as in section 718.011 of 3821 the Revised Code. 3822

(c) Compensation to which division (C) (17) of this section
applies shall be treated as earned or received at the
individual's base of operation. If the individual does not have
a base of operation, the compensation shall be treated as earned
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or received where the individual is domiciled.

(d) For purposes of division (C) (17) of this section,
"base of operation" means the location where an individual owns
or rents an office, storefront, or similar facility to which the
individual regularly reports and at which the individual
regularly performs personal services for compensation.

(18) Compensation paid to a person for personal services 3833 performed for a political subdivision on property owned by the 3834 political subdivision, regardless of whether the compensation is 3835 received by an employee of the subdivision or another person 3836 performing services for the subdivision under a contract with 3837 the subdivision, if the property on which services are performed 3838 is annexed to a municipal corporation pursuant to section 3839 709.023 of the Revised Code on or after March 27, 2013, unless 3840 the person is subject to such taxation because of residence. If 3841 the compensation is subject to taxation because of residence, 3842 municipal income tax shall be payable only to the municipal 3843 corporation of residence. 3844

(19) In the case of a tax administered, collected, and 3845 enforced by a municipal corporation pursuant to an agreement 3846 with the board of directors of a joint economic development 3847 district under section 715.72 of the Revised Code, the net 3848 profits of a business, and the income of the employees of that 3849 business, exempted from the tax under division (Q) of that 3850 section. 3851

(20) All of the following:

(a) Income derived from disaster work conducted in this
state by an out-of-state disaster business during a disaster
response period pursuant to a qualifying solicitation received
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by the business;

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(b) Income of a qualifying employee described in division 3857
(A) (14) (a) of section 5703.94 of the Revised Code, to the extent 3858
such income is derived from disaster work conducted in this 3859
state by the employee during a disaster response period pursuant 3860
to a qualifying solicitation received by the employee's 3861
employer; 3862

(c) Income of a qualifying employee described in division
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(A) (14) (b) of section 5703.94 of the Revised Code, to the extent
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such income is derived from disaster work conducted in this
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state by the employee during a disaster response period on
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critical infrastructure owned or used by the employee's
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employer.

(21) Income the taxation of which is prohibited by the constitution or laws of the United States.

Any item of income that is exempt income of a pass-through3871entity under division (C) of this section is exempt income of3872each owner of the pass-through entity to the extent of that3873owner's distributive or proportionate share of that item of the3874entity's income.3875

(D) (1) "Net profit" for a person who is an individual 3876
means the individual's net profit required to be reported on 3877
schedule C, schedule E, or schedule F reduced by any net 3878
operating loss carried forward. For the purposes of division (D) 3879
(1) of this section, the net operating loss carried forward 3880
shall be calculated and deducted in the same manner as provided 3881
in division (D) (3) of this section. 3822

(2) "Net profit" for a person other than an individual
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means adjusted federal taxable income reduced by any net
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operating loss incurred by the person in a taxable year
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| limitations  | of   | divisior | n (D)(3) | of   | this  | section.   | 38     | 87 |

(3) (a) The amount of such net operating loss shall be 3888 deducted from net profit to the extent necessary to reduce 3889 municipal taxable income to zero, with any remaining unused 3890 portion of the net operating loss carried forward to not more 3891 than five consecutive taxable years following the taxable year 3892 in which the loss was incurred, but in no case for more years 3893 than necessary for the deduction to be fully utilized. 3894

(b) No person shall use the deduction allowed by division 3895(D) (3) of this section to offset qualifying wages. 3896

(c) (i) For taxable years beginning in 2018, 2019, 2020, 3897
2021, or 2022, a person may not deduct, for purposes of an 3898
income tax levied by a municipal corporation that levies an 3899
income tax before January 1, 2016, more than fifty per cent of 3900
the amount of the deduction otherwise allowed by division (D) (3) 3901
of this section. 3902

(ii) For taxable years beginning in 2023 or thereafter, a
person may deduct, for purposes of an income tax levied by a
municipal corporation that levies an income tax before January
1, 2016, the full amount allowed by division (D) (3) of this
section without regard to the limitation of division (D) (3) (b)
(i) of this section.

(d) Any pre-2017 net operating loss carryforward deduction 3909
that is available may be utilized before a taxpayer may deduct 3910
any amount pursuant to division (D) (3) of this section. 3911

(e) Nothing in division (D) (3) (c) (i) of this section
precludes a person from carrying forward, for use with respect
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to any return filed for a taxable year beginning after 2018, any
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amount of net operating loss that was not fully utilized by 3915 operation of division (D)(3)(c)(i) of this section. To the 3916 extent that an amount of net operating loss that was not fully 3917 utilized in one or more taxable years by operation of division 3918 (D) (3) (c) (i) of this section is carried forward for use with 3919 respect to a return filed for a taxable year beginning in 2019, 3920 2020, 2021, or 2022, the limitation described in division (D)(3) 3921 (c) (i) of this section shall apply to the amount carried 3922 forward. 3923

(4) For the purposes of this chapter, and notwithstanding
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division (D)(2) of this section, net profit of a disregarded
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(5) For the purposes of this chapter, and notwithstanding
any other provision of this chapter, the net profit of a
publicly traded partnership that makes the election described in
division (D) (5) of this section shall be taxed as if the
any artnership were a C corporation, and shall not be treated as
any any any owner of the partnership.

A publicly traded partnership that is treated as a 3935 partnership for federal income tax purposes and that is subject 3936 to tax on its net profits in one or more municipal corporations 3937 in this state may elect to be treated as a C corporation for 3938 municipal income tax purposes. The publicly traded partnership 3939 shall make the election in every municipal corporation in which 3940 the partnership is subject to taxation on its net profits. The 3941 election shall be made on the annual tax return filed in each 3942 such municipal corporation. The publicly traded partnership 3943 shall not be required to file the election with any municipal 3944

corporation in which the partnership is not subject to taxation3945on its net profits, but division (D)(5) of this section applies3946to all municipal corporations in which an individual owner of3947the partnership resides.3948

(E) "Adjusted federal taxable income," for a person
required to file as a C corporation, or for a person that has
a C corporation under division (D) (5) of
this section, means a C corporation's federal taxable income
before net operating losses and special deductions as determined
under the Internal Revenue Code, adjusted as follows:

(1) Deduct intangible income to the extent included in 3955
federal taxable income. The deduction shall be allowed 3956
regardless of whether the intangible income relates to assets 3957
used in a trade or business or assets held for the production of 3958
income. 3959

(2) Add an amount equal to five per cent of intangible
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income deducted under division (E)(1) of this section, but
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(3) Add any losses allowed as a deduction in the
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computation of federal taxable income if the losses directly
relate to the sale, exchange, or other disposition of an asset
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described in section 1221 or 1231 of the Internal Revenue Code;
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(4) (a) Except as provided in division (E) (4) (b) of this
section, deduct income and gain included in federal taxable
income to the extent the income and gain directly relate to the
sale, exchange, or other disposition of an asset described in
section 1221 or 1231 of the Internal Revenue Code;

(b) Division (E) (4) (a) of this section does not apply to
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the extent the income or gain is income or gain described in
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section 1245 or 1250 of the Internal Revenue Code.
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(5) Add taxes on or measured by net income allowed as adeduction in the computation of federal taxable income;3978

(6) In the case of a real estate investment trust or
regulated investment company, add all amounts with respect to
dividends to, distributions to, or amounts set aside for or
credited to the benefit of investors and allowed as a deduction
in the computation of federal taxable income;

(7) Deduct, to the extent not otherwise deducted or
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(8) Deduct exempt income to the extent not otherwisededucted or excluded in computing adjusted federal taxable3989income.

(9) Deduct any net profit of a pass-through entity owned
directly or indirectly by the taxpayer and included in the
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taxpayer's federal taxable income unless an affiliated group of
corporations includes that net profit in the group's federal
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taxable income in accordance with division (E) (3) (b) of section
718.06 of the Revised Code.

(10) Add any loss incurred by a pass-through entity owned 3997 directly or indirectly by the taxpayer and included in the 3998 taxpayer's federal taxable income unless an affiliated group of 3999 corporations includes that loss in the group's federal taxable 4000 income in accordance with division (E) (3) (b) of section 718.06 4001 of the Revised Code. 4002

If the taxpayer is not a C corporation, is not a 4003 disregarded entity that has made the election described in 4004 division (L)(2) of this section, is not a publicly traded 4005 partnership that has made the election described in division (D) 4006 (5) of this section, and is not an individual, the taxpayer 4007 shall compute adjusted federal taxable income under this section 4008 4009 as if the taxpayer were a C corporation, except guaranteed payments and other similar amounts paid or accrued to a partner, 4010 former partner, shareholder, former shareholder, member, or 4011 4012 former member shall not be allowed as a deductible expense unless such payments are in consideration for the use of capital 4013 and treated as payment of interest under section 469 of the 4014 Internal Revenue Code or United States treasury regulations. 4015 Amounts paid or accrued to a qualified self-employed retirement 4016 plan with respect to a partner, former partner, shareholder, 4017 former shareholder, member, or former member of the taxpayer, 4018 amounts paid or accrued to or for health insurance for a 4019 partner, former partner, shareholder, former shareholder, 4020 member, or former member, and amounts paid or accrued to or for 4021 life insurance for a partner, former partner, shareholder, 4022 former shareholder, member, or former member shall not be 4023 allowed as a deduction. 4024

Nothing in division (E) of this section shall be construed4025as allowing the taxpayer to add or deduct any amount more than4026once or shall be construed as allowing any taxpayer to deduct4027any amount paid to or accrued for purposes of federal self-4028employment tax.4029

(F) "Schedule C" means internal revenue service schedule C 4030
(form 1040) filed by a taxpayer pursuant to the Internal Revenue 4031
Code. 4032

| (G) "Schedule E" means internal revenue service schedule E       | 4033 |
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| (form 1040) filed by a taxpayer pursuant to the Internal Revenue | 4034 |
| Code.  | 4035 |
| (H) "Schedule F" means internal revenue service schedule F       | 4036 |
| (form 1040) filed by a taxpayer pursuant to the Internal Revenue | 4037 |
| Code.  | 4038 |
| (I) "Internal Revenue Code" has the same meaning as in           | 4039 |
| section 5747.01 of the Revised Code.                             | 4040 |
| (J) "Resident" means an individual who is domiciled in the       | 4041 |
| municipal corporation as determined under section 718.012 of the | 4042 |
| Revised Code.  | 4043 |
| (K) "Nonresident" means an individual that is not a              | 4044 |
| resident.  | 4045 |
| (L)(1) "Taxpayer" means a person subject to a tax levied         | 4046 |
| on income by a municipal corporation in accordance with this     | 4047 |
| chapter. "Taxpayer" does not include a grantor trust or, except  | 4048 |
| as provided in division (L)(2)(a) of this section, a disregarded | 4049 |
| entity.  | 4050 |
| (2)(a) A single member limited liability company that is a       | 4051 |
| disregarded entity for federal tax purposes may be a separate    | 4052 |
| taxpayer from its single member in all Ohio municipal            | 4053 |
| corporations in which it either filed as a separate taxpayer or  | 4054 |
| did not file for its taxable year ending in 2003, if all of the  | 4055 |
| following conditions are met:                                    | 4056 |
| (i) The limited liability company's single member is also        | 4057 |
| a limited liability company.                                     | 4058 |
| (ii) The limited liability company and its single member         | 4059 |
| were formed and doing business in one or more Ohio municipal     | 4060 |

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| corporations for at least five years before January 1, 2004.     | 4061 |
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| (iii) Not later than December 31, 2004, the limited              | 4062 |
| liability company and its single member each made an election to | 4063 |
| be treated as a separate taxpayer under division (L) of this     | 4064 |
| section as this section existed on December 31, 2004.            | 4065 |
| (iv) The limited liability company was not formed for the        | 4066 |
| purpose of evading or reducing Ohio municipal corporation income | 4067 |
| tax liability of the limited liability company or its single     | 4068 |
| member.  | 4069 |
| (v) The Ohio municipal corporation that was the primary          | 4070 |
| place of business of the sole member of the limited liability    | 4071 |
| company consented to the election.                               | 4072 |
| (b) For purposes of division (L)(2)(a)(v) of this section,       | 4073 |
| a municipal corporation was the primary place of business of a   | 4074 |
| limited liability company if, for the limited liability          | 4075 |
| company's taxable year ending in 2003, its income tax liability  | 4076 |
| was greater in that municipal corporation than in any other      | 4077 |
| municipal corporation in Ohio, and that tax liability to that    | 4078 |
| municipal corporation for its taxable year ending in 2003 was at | 4079 |
| least four hundred thousand dollars.                             | 4080 |
| (M) "Person" includes individuals, firms, companies, joint       | 4081 |
| stock companies, business trusts, estates, trusts, partnerships, | 4082 |
| limited liability partnerships, limited liability companies,     | 4083 |
| associations, C corporations, S corporations, governmental       | 4084 |

(N) "Pass-through entity" means a partnership not treated as an association taxable as a C corporation for federal income tax purposes, a limited liability company not treated as an

entities, and any other entity.

association taxable as a C corporation for federal income tax 4089

purposes, an S corporation, or any other class of entity from4090which the income or profits of the entity are given pass-through4091treatment for federal income tax purposes. "Pass-through entity"4092does not include a trust, estate, grantor of a grantor trust, or4093disregarded entity.4094

(0) "S corporation" means a person that has made an
election under subchapter S of Chapter 1 of Subtitle A of the
Internal Revenue Code for its taxable year.

(P) "Single member limited liability company" means a 4098limited liability company that has one direct member. 4099

(Q) "Limited liability company" means a limited liability
 company formed under Chapter 1705. of the Revised Code or under
 the laws of another state.
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(R) "Qualifying wages" means wages, as defined in section
3121(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, without regard to any wage
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limitations, adjusted as follows:
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(1) Deduct the following amounts:

(a) Any amount included in wages if the amount constitutes
 compensation attributable to a plan or program described in
 section 125 of the Internal Revenue Code.
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(b) Any amount included in wages if the amount constitutes
payment on account of a disability related to sickness or an
accident paid by a party unrelated to the employer, agent of an
employer, or other payer.

(c) Any amount attributable to a nonqualified deferred
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 compensation plan or program described in section 3121(v)(2)(C)
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 of the Internal Revenue Code if the compensation is included in
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 wages and the municipal corporation has, by resolution or
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| ordinance adopted before January 1, 2016, exempted the amount    | 4118 |
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| from withholding and tax.  | 4119 |
| (d) Any amount included in wages if the amount arises from       | 4120 |
| the sale, exchange, or other disposition of a stock option, the  | 4121 |
| exercise of a stock option, or the sale, exchange, or other      | 4122 |
| disposition of stock purchased under a stock option and the      | 4123 |
| municipal corporation has, by resolution or ordinance adopted    | 4124 |
| before January 1, 2016, exempted the amount from withholding and | 4125 |
| tax.   | 4126 |
| (e) Any amount included in wages that is exempt income.          | 4127 |
| (2) Add the following amounts:                                   | 4128 |
| (a) Any amount not included in wages solely because the          | 4129 |
| employee was employed by the employer before April 1, 1986.      | 4130 |
| (b) Any amount not included in wages because the amount          | 4131 |
| arises from the sale, exchange, or other disposition of a stock  | 4132 |
| option, the exercise of a stock option, or the sale, exchange,   | 4133 |
| or other disposition of stock purchased under a stock option and | 4134 |
| the municipal corporation has not, by resolution or ordinance,   | 4135 |
| exempted the amount from withholding and tax adopted before      | 4136 |
| January 1, 2016. Division (R)(2)(b) of this section applies only | 4137 |
| to those amounts constituting ordinary income.                   | 4138 |
| (c) Any amount not included in wages if the amount is an         | 4139 |
| amount described in section 401(k), 403(b), or 457 of the        | 4140 |
| Internal Revenue Code. Division (R)(2)(c) of this section        | 4141 |
| applies only to employee contributions and employee deferrals.   | 4142 |
| (d) Any amount that is supplemental unemployment                 | 4143 |
| compensation benefits described in section 3402(o)(2) of the     | 4144 |
| Internal Revenue Code and not included in wages.                 | 4145 |

(e) Any amount received that is treated as self-employment 4146 income for federal tax purposes in accordance with section 4147 1402(a)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code. 4148 (f) Any amount not included in wages if all of the 4149 4150 following apply: (i) For the taxable year the amount is employee 41.51 compensation that is earned outside of the United States and 4152 4153 that either is included in the taxpayer's gross income for federal income tax purposes or would have been included in the 4154 taxpayer's gross income for such purposes if the taxpayer did 4155 not elect to exclude the income under section 911 of the 4156 Internal Revenue Code; 4157 (ii) For no preceding taxable year did the amount 4158 constitute wages as defined in section 3121(a) of the Internal 4159 Revenue Code; 4160

(iii) For no succeeding taxable year will the amount 4161
constitute wages; and 4162

(iv) For any taxable year the amount has not otherwise
been added to wages pursuant to either division (R) (2) of this
section or section 718.03 of the Revised Code, as that section
existed before the effective date of H.B. 5 of the 130th general
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(S) "Intangible income" means income of any of the
following types: income yield, interest, capital gains,
dividends, or other income arising from the ownership, sale,
exchange, or other disposition of intangible property including,
but not limited to, investments, deposits, money, or credits as
those terms are defined in Chapter 5701. of the Revised Code,
and patents, copyrights, trademarks, tradenames, investments in

real estate investment trusts, investments in regulated4175investment companies, and appreciation on deferred compensation.4176"Intangible income" does not include prizes, awards, or other4177income associated with any lottery winnings, gambling winnings,4178or other similar games of chance.4179

(T) "Taxable year" means the corresponding tax reporting(T) period as prescribed for the taxpayer under the Internal Revenue(T) Code.

(U) "Tax administrator" means the individual charged with
direct responsibility for administration of an income tax levied
by a municipal corporation in accordance with this chapter, and
also includes the following:

(1) A municipal corporation acting as the agent of another municipal corporation;

(2) A person retained by a municipal corporation to
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administer a tax levied by the municipal corporation, but only
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if the municipal corporation does not compensate the person in
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whole or in part on a contingency basis;
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(3) The central collection agency or the regional income
tax agency or their successors in interest, or another entity
organized to perform functions similar to those performed by the
central collection agency and the regional income tax agency.

"Tax administrator" does not include the tax commissioner. 4197

(V) "Employer" means a person that is an employer forfederal income tax purposes.4199

(W) "Employee" means an individual who is an employee forfederal income tax purposes.4201

(X) "Other payer" means any person, other than an 4202

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individual's employer or the employer's agent, that pays an 4203 individual any amount included in the federal gross income of 4204 the individual. "Other payer" includes casino operators and 4205 video lottery terminal sales agents. 4206

(Y) "Calendar quarter" means the three-month period endingday of March, June, September, or December.4208

(Z) "Form 2106" means internal revenue service form 2106filed by a taxpayer pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code.4210

(AA) "Municipal corporation" includes a joint economic
development district or joint economic development zone that
levies an income tax under section 715.691, 715.70, 715.71, or
715.72 of the Revised Code.

(BB) "Disregarded entity" means a single member limited
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liability company, a qualifying subchapter S subsidiary, or
another entity if the company, subsidiary, or entity is a
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disregarded entity for federal income tax purposes.
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(CC) "Generic form" means an electronic or paper form that 4219 is not prescribed by a particular municipal corporation and that 4220 is designed for reporting taxes withheld by an employer, agent 4221 of an employer, or other payer, estimated municipal income 4222 taxes, or annual municipal income tax liability or for filing a 4223 refund claim. 4224

(DD) "Tax return preparer" means any individual described4225in section 7701(a) (36) of the Internal Revenue Code and 264226C.F.R. 301.7701-15.4227

(EE) "Ohio business gateway" means the online computer
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network system, created under section 125.30 of the Revised
Code, that allows persons to electronically file business reply
forms with state agencies and includes any successor electronic
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filing and payment system.

(FF) "Local board of tax review" and "board of tax review" 4233 mean the entity created under section 718.11 of the Revised 4234 Code. 4235

(GG) "Net operating loss" means a loss incurred by a 4236 person in the operation of a trade or business. "Net operating 4237 loss" does not include unutilized losses resulting from basis 4238 limitations, at-risk limitations, or passive activity loss 4239 limitations. 4240

(HH) "Casino operator" and "casino facility" have the same 4241 4242 meanings as in section 3772.01 of the Revised Code.

(II) "Video lottery terminal" has the same meaning as in 4243 section 3770.21 of the Revised Code. 4244

(JJ) "Video lottery terminal sales agent" means a lottery 4245 sales agent licensed under Chapter 3770. of the Revised Code to 4246 conduct video lottery terminals on behalf of the state pursuant 4247 to section 3770.21 of the Revised Code. 4248

(KK) "Postal service" means the United States postal 4249 service. 4250

(LL) "Certified mail," "express mail," "United States 4251 mail," "postal service," and similar terms include any delivery 4252 service authorized pursuant to section 5703.056 of the Revised 4253 Code. 4254

(MM) "Postmark date," "date of postmark," and similar 4255 terms include the date recorded and marked in the manner 4256 described in division (B)(3) of section 5703.056 of the Revised 4257 Code. 4258

(NN) "Related member" means a person that, with respect to 4259

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the taxpayer during all or any portion of the taxable year, is 4260 either a related entity, a component member as defined in 4261 section 1563(b) of the Internal Revenue Code, or a person to or 4262 from whom there is attribution of stock ownership in accordance 4263 with section 1563(e) of the Internal Revenue Code except, for 4264 purposes of determining whether a person is a related member 4265 under this division, "twenty per cent" shall be substituted for 4266 "5 percent" wherever "5 percent" appears in section 1563(e) of 4267 the Internal Revenue Code. 4268

(OO) "Related entity" means any of the following:

(1) An individual stockholder, or a member of the
stockholder's family enumerated in section 318 of the Internal
Revenue Code, if the stockholder and the members of the
stockholder's family own directly, indirectly, beneficially, or
constructively, in the aggregate, at least fifty per cent of the
value of the taxpayer's outstanding stock;

(2) A stockholder, or a stockholder's partnership, estate, 4276
trust, or corporation, if the stockholder and the stockholder's 4277
partnerships, estates, trusts, or corporations own directly, 4278
indirectly, beneficially, or constructively, in the aggregate, 4279
at least fifty per cent of the value of the taxpayer's 4280
outstanding stock; 4281

(3) A corporation, or a party related to the corporation 4282 in a manner that would require an attribution of stock from the 4283 corporation to the party or from the party to the corporation 4284 under division (OO) (4) of this section, provided the taxpayer 4285 owns directly, indirectly, beneficially, or constructively, at 4286 least fifty per cent of the value of the corporation's 4287 outstanding stock; 4288

(4) The attribution rules described in section 318 of the
Internal Revenue Code apply for the purpose of determining
whether the ownership requirements in divisions (OO) (1) to (3)
of this section have been met.

(PP)(1) "Assessment" means a written finding by the tax 4293 administrator that a person has underpaid municipal income tax, 4294 or owes penalty and interest, or any combination of tax, 4295 penalty, or interest, to the municipal corporation that 4296 commences the person's time limitation for making an appeal to 4297 the local board of tax review pursuant to section 718.11 of the 4298 Revised Code, and has "ASSESSMENT" written in all capital 4299 letters at the top of such finding. 4300

(2) "Assessment" does not include an informal notice 4301 denying a request for refund issued under division (B)(3) of 4302 section 718.19 of the Revised Code, a billing statement 4303 notifying a taxpayer of current or past-due balances owed to the 4304 municipal corporation, a tax administrator's request for 4305 additional information, a notification to the taxpayer of 4306 mathematical errors, or a tax administrator's other written 4307 4308 correspondence to a person or taxpayer that does <u>not</u> meet the criteria prescribed by division (PP)(1) of this section. 4309

(QQ) "Taxpayers' rights and responsibilities" means the 4310 rights provided to taxpayers in sections 718.11, 718.12, 718.19, 4311 718.23, 718.36, 718.37, 718.38, 5717.011, and 5717.03 of the 4312 Revised Code and the responsibilities of taxpayers to file, 4313 report, withhold, remit, and pay municipal income tax and 4314 otherwise comply with Chapter 718. of the Revised Code and 4315 resolutions, ordinances, and rules adopted by a municipal 4316 corporation for the imposition and administration of a municipal 4317 income tax. 4318

(RR) "Qualified municipal corporation" means a municipal 4319 corporation that, by resolution or ordinance adopted on or 4320 before December 31, 2011, adopted Ohio adjusted gross income, as 4321 defined by section 5747.01 of the Revised Code, as the income 4322 subject to tax for the purposes of imposing a municipal income 4323 tax. 4324

(SS)(1) "Pre-2017 net operating loss carryforward" means 4325 any net operating loss incurred in a taxable year beginning 4326 before January 1, 2017, to the extent such loss was permitted, 4327 by a resolution or ordinance of the municipal corporation that 4328 was adopted by the municipal corporation before January 1, 2016, 4329 to be carried forward and utilized to offset income or net 4330 profit generated in such municipal corporation in future taxable 4331 years. 4332

(2) For the purpose of calculating municipal taxable
income, any pre-2017 net operating loss carryforward may be
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carried forward to any taxable year, including taxable years
beginning in 2017 or thereafter, for the number of taxable years
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provided in the resolution or ordinance or until fully utilized,
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whichever is earlier.

(TT) "Small employer" means any employer that had total 4339 revenue of less than five hundred thousand dollars during the 4340 preceding taxable year. For purposes of this division, "total 4341 revenue" means receipts of any type or kind, including, but not 4342 limited to, sales receipts; payments; rents; profits; gains, 4343 dividends, and other investment income; compensation; 4344 commissions; premiums; money; property; grants; contributions; 4345 donations; gifts; program service revenue; patient service 4346 revenue; premiums; fees, including premium fees and service 4347 fees; tuition payments; unrelated business revenue; 4348

reimbursements; any type of payment from a governmental unit, 4349 including grants and other allocations; and any other similar 4350 receipts reported for federal income tax purposes or under 4351 generally accepted accounting principles. "Small employer" does 4352 not include the federal government; any state government, 4353 including any state agency or instrumentality; any political 4354 subdivision; or any entity treated as a government for financial 4355 4356 accounting and reporting purposes.

(UU) "Audit" means the examination of a person or the 4357 inspection of the books, records, memoranda, or accounts of a 4358 person for the purpose of determining liability for a municipal 4359 income tax. 4360

(VV) "Publicly traded partnership" means any partnership,
an interest in which is regularly traded on an established
securities market. A "publicly traded partnership" may have any
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number of partners.

(WW) "Tax commissioner" means the tax commissioner 4365 appointed under section 121.03 of the Revised Code. 4366

(XX) "Out-of-state disaster business," "qualifying 4367 solicitation," "qualifying employee," "disaster work," "critical 4368 infrastructure," and "disaster response period" have the same 4369 meanings as in section 5703.94 of the Revised Code. 4370

(YY) "Pension" means a retirement benefit plan, regardless 4371 of whether the plan satisfies the qualifications described under 4372 section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, including amounts 4373 that are taxable under the "Federal Insurance Contributions 4374 Act," Chapter 21 of the Internal Revenue Code, excluding 4375 employee contributions and elective deferrals, and regardless of 4376 whether such amounts are paid in the same taxable year in which 4377 the amounts are included in the employee's wages, as defined by 4378 section 3121(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. 4379

(ZZ) "Retirement benefit plan" means an arrangement 4380 whereby an entity provides benefits to individuals either on or 4381 after their termination of service because of retirement or 4382 disability. "Retirement benefit plan" does not include wage 4383 continuation payments, severance payments, or payments made for 4384 accrued personal or vacation time. 4385

Sec. 718.021. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Nonqualified deferred compensation plan" means a
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compensation plan described in section 3121(v)(2)(C) of the
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Internal Revenue Code.
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(2) (a) Except as provided in division (A) (2) (b) of this 4390 section, "qualifying loss" means the excess, if any, of the 4391 total amount of compensation the payment of which is deferred 4392 pursuant to a nonqualified deferred compensation plan over the 4393 total amount of income the taxpayer has recognized for federal 4394 income tax purposes for all taxable years on a cumulative basis 4395 as compensation with respect to the taxpayer's receipt of money 4396 4397 and property attributable to distributions in connection with the nonqualified deferred compensation plan. 4398

(b) If, for one or more taxable years, the taxpayer has 4399 not paid to one or more municipal corporations income tax 4400 imposed on the entire amount of compensation the payment of 4401 which is deferred pursuant to a nonqualified deferred 4402 compensation plan, then the "qualifying loss" is the product of 4403 the amount resulting from the calculation described in division 4404 (A) (2) (a) of this section computed without regard to division 4405 (A) (2) (b) of this section and a fraction the numerator of which 4406

is the portion of such compensation on which the taxpayer has 4407
paid income tax to one or more municipal corporations and the 4408
denominator of which is the total amount of compensation the 4409
payment of which is deferred pursuant to a nonqualified deferred 4410
compensation plan. 4411

(c) With respect to a nonqualified deferred compensation
plan, the taxpayer sustains a qualifying loss only in the
taxable year in which the taxpayer receives the final
distribution of money and property pursuant to that nonqualified
deferred compensation plan.

(3) "Qualifying tax rate" means the applicable tax rate 4417 for the taxable year for the which the taxpayer paid income tax 4418 to a municipal corporation with respect to any portion of the 4419 total amount of compensation the payment of which is deferred 4420 pursuant to a nonqualified deferred compensation plan. If 4421 different tax rates applied for different taxable years, then 4422 the "qualifying tax rate" is a weighted average of those 4423 different tax rates. The weighted average shall be based upon 4424 the tax paid to the municipal corporation each year with respect 4425 to the nonqualified deferred compensation plan. 4426

(B) (1) Except as provided in division (D) of this section,
a refundable credit shall be allowed against the income tax
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imposed by a municipal corporation for each qualifying loss
sustained by a taxpayer during the taxable year. The amount of
the credit shall be equal to the product of the qualifying loss
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and the qualifying tax rate.

(2) A taxpayer shall claim the credit allowed under this
section from each municipal corporation to which the taxpayer
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paid municipal income tax with respect to the nonqualified
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deferred compensation plan in one or more taxable years.

(3) If a taxpayer has paid tax to more than one municipal 4437 corporation with respect to the nonqualified deferred 4438 compensation plan, the amount of the credit that a taxpayer may 4439 claim from each municipal corporation shall be calculated on the 4440 basis of each municipal corporation's proportionate share of the 4441 total municipal corporation income tax paid by the taxpayer to 4442 all municipal corporations with respect to the nonqualified 4443 deferred compensation plan. 4444

(4) In no case shall the amount of the credit allowed
under this section exceed the cumulative income tax that a
taxpayer has paid to a municipal corporation for all taxable
years with respect to the nonqualified deferred compensation
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(C) (1) For purposes of this section, municipal corporation 4450 income tax that has been withheld with respect to a nonqualified 4451 deferred compensation plan shall be considered to have been paid 4452 by the taxpayer with respect to the nonqualified deferred 4453 compensation plan. 4454

(2) Any municipal income tax that has been refunded or
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otherwise credited for the benefit of the taxpayer with respect
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to a nonqualified deferred compensation plan shall not be
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considered to have been paid to the municipal corporation by the
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taxpayer.

(D) The credit allowed under this section is allowed onlyto the extent the taxpayer's qualifying loss is attributable to:4461

(1) The insolvency or bankruptcy of the employer who hadestablished the nonqualified deferred compensation plan; or4463

(2) The employee's failure or inability to satisfy all ofthe employer's terms and conditions necessary to receive the4465

nonqualified deferred compensation.

| <b>Sec. 929.01.</b> As used in this chapter: 440 | 167 |
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(A) "Agricultural production" means commercial 4468 aquaculture, algaculture meaning the farming of algae, 4469 apiculture, animal husbandry, or poultry husbandry; the 4470 production for a commercial purpose of timber, field crops, 4471 tobacco, fruits, vegetables, nursery stock, ornamental shrubs, 4472 4473 ornamental trees, flowers, or sod; the growth of timber for a noncommercial purpose if the land on which the timber is grown 4474 is contiguous to or part of a parcel of land under common 4475 ownership that is otherwise devoted exclusively to agricultural 4476 use; or any combination of such husbandry, production, or 4477 growth; and includes the processing, drying, storage, and 4478 marketing of agricultural products when those activities are 4479 conducted in conjunction with such husbandry, production, or 4480 growth. 4481

"Agricultural production" includes conservation practices, 4482 provided that the tracts, lots, or parcels of land or portions 4483 thereof that are used for conservation practices comprise not 4484 more than twenty-five per cent of tracts, lots, or parcels of 4485 land that are otherwise devoted exclusively to agricultural use 4486 and for which an application is filed under section 929.02 of 4487 the Revised Code. 4488

(B) "Withdrawal from an agricultural district" includes
the explicit removal of land from an agricultural district,
conversion of land in an agricultural district to use for
purposes other than agricultural production, and withdrawal of
land from a land retirement or conservation program to use for
purposes other than agricultural production. Withdrawal from an
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agricultural district does not include land described in
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| (C) "Conservation practice" has the same meaning as in           | 4497 |
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| section 5713.30 of the Revised Code.                             | 4498 |
| Sec. 1545.041. (A) Any township park district created            | 4499 |
| pursuant to section 511.18 of the Revised Code that includes     | 4500 |
| park land located outside the township in which the park         | 4501 |
| district was established may be converted under the procedures   | 4502 |
| provided in this section into a park district to be operated and | 4503 |
| maintained as provided for in this chapter, provided that there  | 4504 |
| is no existing park district created under section 1545.04 of    | 4505 |
| the Revised Code in the county in which the township park        | 4506 |
| district is located. The proposed park district shall include    | 4507 |
| within its boundary all townships and municipal corporations in  | 4508 |
| which lands owned by the township park district seeking          | 4509 |
| conversion are located, and may include any other townships and  | 4510 |
| municipal corporations in the county in which the township park  | 4511 |
| district is located.   | 4512 |
| (B) Conversion of a township park district into a park           | 4513 |
| district operated and maintained under this chapter shall be     | 4514 |
| initiated by a resolution adopted by the board of park           | 4515 |
| commissioners of the park district. Any resolution initiating a  | 4516 |
| conversion shall include the following:                          | 4517 |
| (1) The name of the township park district seeking               | 4518 |
| conversion;  | 4519 |
| (2) The name of the proposed park district;                      | 4520 |
| (3) An accurate description of the territory to be               | 4521 |
| included in the proposed district;                               | 4522 |
| (4) An accurate map or plat of the proposed park district.       | 4523 |
| The resolution may also include a proposed tax levy for the      | 4524 |

division (A) (4) (3) of section 5713.30 of the Revised Code.

operation and maintenance of the proposed park district. If such 4525 a tax levy is proposed, the resolution shall specify the annual 4526 rate of the tax, expressed in dollars and cents for each one 4527 hundred dollars of valuation and in mills for each dollar of 4528 valuation, and shall specify the number of consecutive years the 4529 levy will be in effect. The annual rate of such a tax may not be 4530 higher than the total combined millage of all levies then in 4531 effect for the benefit of the township park district named in 4532 the resolution. 4533

(C) Upon adoption of the resolution provided for in 4534 division (B) of this section, the board of park commissioners of 4535 the township park district seeking conversion under this section 4536 shall certify the resolution to the board of elections of the 4537 county in which the park district is located no later than four 4538 p.m. of the seventy-fifth day before the day of the election at 4539 which the question will be voted upon. Upon certification of the 4540 resolution to the board, the board of elections shall make the 4541 necessary arrangements to submit the question of conversion of 4542 the township park into a park district operated and maintained 4543 under Chapter 1545. of the Revised Code, to the electors 4544 qualified to vote at the next primary or general election who 4545 reside in the territory of the proposed park district. The 4546 question shall provide for a tax levy if such a levy is 4547 specified in the resolution. 4548

(D) The ballot submitted to the electors as provided in 4549division (C) of this section shall contain the following 4550language: 4551

"Shall the ..... (name of the township park 4552 district seeking conversion) be converted into a park district 4553 to be operated and maintained under Chapter 1545. of the Revised 4554 Code under the name of ...... (name of proposed park4555district), which park district shall include the following4556townships and municipal corporations:4557(Name townships and municipal corporations)4558

Approval of the proposed conversion will result in the 4559 termination of all existing tax levies voted for the benefit of 4560 ..... (name of the township park district sought to be 4561 converted) and in the levy of a new tax for the operation and 4562 maintenance of ..... (name of proposed park district) 4563 at a rate not exceeding ..... (number of mills) mills for 4564 each one dollar of valuation, which is ..... (rate expressed 4565 in dollars and cents) for each one hundred dollars of valuation, 4566 for ..... (number of years the millage is to be imposed) years, 4567 commencing on the ..... (year) tax duplicate. 4568

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| For the proposed conversion     |          |
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| Against the proposed conversion | <u>"</u> |

(E) If the proposed conversion is approved by at least a 4570 majority of the electors voting on the proposal, the township 4571 park district that seeks conversion shall become a park district 4572 subject to Chapter 1545. of the Revised Code effective the first 4573 day of January following approval by the voters. The park 4574 district shall have the name specified in the resolution, and 4575 effective the first day of January following approval by the 4576 voters, the following shall occur: 4577

(1) The indebtedness of the former township park district4578shall be assumed by the new park district;4579

(2) All rights, assets, properties, and other interests of 4580 the former township park district shall become vested in the new 4581 park district, including the rights to any tax revenues 4582 previously vested in the former township park district; 4583 provided, that all tax levies in excess of the ten mill 4584 limitation approved for the benefit of the former township park 4585 district shall be removed from the tax lists after the February 4586 settlement next succeeding the conversion. Any tax levy approved 4587 in connection with the conversion shall be certified as provided 4588 in section 5705.25 of the Revised Code. 4589

(3) The members of the board of park commissioners of the 4590 former township park district shall be the members -of the-4591 members of the board of park commissioners of the new park 4592 district, with all the same powers and duties as if appointed 4593 under section 1545.05 of the Revised Code. The term of each such 4594 commissioner shall expire on the first day of January of the 4595 year following the year in which his term would have expired 4596 under section 511.19 of the Revised Code. Thereafter, 4597 commissioners shall be appointed pursuant to section 1545.05 of 4598 the Revised Code. 4599

Sec. 1545.21. The board of park commissioners, by 4600 resolution, may submit to the electors of the park district the 4601 question of levying taxes for the use of the district. The 4602 resolution shall declare the necessity of levying such taxes, 4603 shall specify the purpose for which such taxes shall be used, 4604 the annual rate proposed, and the number of consecutive years 4605 the rate shall be levied. Such resolution shall be forthwith 4606 certified to the board of elections in each county in which any 4607 part of such district is located, not later than the ninetieth 4608 day before the day of the election, and the question of the levy 4609 of taxes as provided in such resolution shall be submitted to 4610

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# the electors of the district at a special election to be held on 4611 whichever of the following occurs first: 4612

(A) The day of the next general election;

(B) The first Tuesday after the first Monday in May in any
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The ballot shall set forth the purpose for which the taxes 4617 shall be levied, the annual rate of levy, and the number of 4618 years of such levy. If the tax is to be placed on the current 4619 tax list, the form of the ballot shall state that the tax will 4620 4621 be levied in the current tax year and shall indicate the first calendar year the tax will be due. If the resolution of the 4622 board of park commissioners provides that an existing levy will 4623 be canceled upon the passage of the new levy, the ballot may 4624 include a statement that: "an existing levy of ... mills 4625 (stating the original levy millage), having ... years remaining, 4626 will be canceled and replaced upon the passage of this levy." In 4627 such case, the ballot may refer to the new levy as a 4628 "replacement levy" if the new millage does not exceed the 4629 original millage of the levy being canceled or as a "replacement 4630 and additional levy" if the new millage exceeds the original 4631 millage of the levy being canceled. If a majority of the 4632 electors voting upon the question of such levy vote in favor 4633 thereof, such taxes shall be levied and shall be in addition to 4634 the taxes authorized by section 1545.20 of the Revised Code, and 4635 all other taxes authorized by law. The rate submitted to the 4636 electors at any one time shall not exceed two mills annually 4637 upon each dollar of valuation unless the purpose of the levy 4638 includes providing operating revenues for one of Ohio's major 4639 metropolitan zoos, as defined in section 4503.74 of the Revised 4640

Code, in which case the rate shall not exceed three mills 4641 annually upon each dollar of valuation. When a tax levy has been 4642 authorized as provided in this section or in section 1545.041 of 4643 the Revised Code, the board of park commissioners may issue 4644 bonds pursuant to section 133.24 of the Revised Code in 4645 anticipation of the collection of such levy, provided that such 4646 bonds shall be issued only for the purpose of acquiring and 4647 improving lands. Such levy, when collected, shall be applied in 4648 payment of the bonds so issued and the interest thereon. The 4649 amount of bonds so issued and outstanding at any time shall not 4650 exceed one per cent of the total tax valuation in such district. 4651 Such bonds shall bear interest at a rate not to exceed the rate 4652 determined as provided in section 9.95 of the Revised Code. 4653

Sec. 1711.15. In any county in which there is a duly 4654 organized county agricultural society, the board of county 4655 commissioners or the county agricultural society itself may 4656 purchase or lease, for a term of not less than twenty years, 4657 real estate on which to hold fairs under the management and 4658 control of the county agricultural society, and may erect 4659 suitable buildings on the real estate and otherwise improve it. 4660

In counties in which there is a county agricultural 4661 4662 society that has purchased, or leased for a term of not less than twenty years, real estate as a site on which to hold fairs, 4663 or if the title to the site is vested in fee in the county, the 4664 board of county commissioners may erect or repair buildings or 4665 otherwise improve the site and pay the rental of it, or 4666 contribute to or pay any other form of indebtedness of the 4667 society, if the director of agriculture has certified to the 4668 board that the county agricultural society is complying with all 4669 laws and rules governing the operation of county agricultural 4670 societies. The board may appropriate from the county's general 4671

fund or permanent improvement fund, and may appropriate revenue4672from a tax levied under division (L) (T) of section 5739.09 of4673the Revised Code, any amount that it considers necessary for any4674of those purposes, provided that an appropriation of revenue4675from that tax may be expended only for the purposes provided in4676the resolution levying that tax.4677

Sec. 1711.16. When the control and management of a 4678 fairground is in a county agricultural society, and the board of 4679 county commissioners has appropriated an amount for the aid of 4680 the society as provided in section 1711.15 of the Revised Code, 4681 the society, with the consent of the board, may contract for the 4682 erection or repair of buildings or otherwise improve the 4683 fairground, to the extent that the payment for the improvement 4684 is provided by the board. 4685

When the appropriation is made by the board, the county 4686 auditor shall place the proceeds in a special fund, designated 4687 the "county agricultural society fund," indicating the purpose 4688 for which it is available, provided that an appropriation of 4689 revenue from a tax levied by the board under division  $\frac{(L)}{(T)}$  of 4690 section 5739.09 of the Revised Code may be expended only for the 4691 purposes provided in the resolution levying that tax. On 4692 4693 application of the treasurer of the society, the auditor shall issue an order for the amount of the appropriation to the 4694 treasurer of the society, if the society has secured the 4695 certificate required under section 1711.05 of the Revised Code, 4696 on the treasurer's filing with the auditor a bond in double the 4697 amount collected, with good and sufficient sureties approved by 4698 the auditor, conditioned for the satisfactory paying over and 4699 accounting of the funds for the purposes for which they were 4700 provided. The funds shall remain in the special fund in which 4701 they are placed by the auditor until they are applied for by the 4702

treasurer of the society and the bond is given, or until they 4703 are expended by the board for the purposes for which the fund 4704 was created. If the society ceases to exist or releases the fund 4705 as not required for the purposes for which the fund was created, 4706 the board may by resolution transfer the fund to the general 4707 fund of the county. 4708

Sec. 3316.03. (A) The existence of a fiscal watch shall be 4709 declared by the auditor of state. The auditor of state may make 4710 a determination on the auditor of state's initiative, or upon 4711 receipt of a written request for such a determination, which may 4712 be filed by the governor, the superintendent of public 4713 instruction, or a majority of the members of the board of 4714 education of the school district. 4715

(1) The auditor of state shall declare a school district
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to be in a state of fiscal watch if the auditor of state
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determines that both of the following conditions are satisfied
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with respect to the school district:
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(a) An operating deficit has been certified for the
current fiscal year by the auditor of state, and the certified
deficit exceeds eight per cent of the school
district's general fund revenue for the preceding fiscal year;
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(b) A majority of the voting electors have not voted in
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favor of levying a tax under section 5705.194, 5705.199, or
5705.21 or Chapter 5748. of the Revised Code that the auditor of
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state expects will raise enough additional revenue in the next
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succeeding fiscal year that division (A) (1) (a) of this section
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will not apply to the district in such next succeeding fiscal
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year.

(2) The auditor of state shall declare a school district

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to be in a state of fiscal watch if the auditor of state4732determines that the school district has outstanding securities4733issued under division (A) (4) of section 3316.06 of the Revised4734Code, and its financial planning and supervision commission has4735been terminated under section 3316.16 of the Revised Code.4736

(3) The auditor of state shall declare a school district
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to be in a state of fiscal watch if both of the following
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conditions are satisfied:
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(a) The superintendent of public instruction has reported 4740 to the auditor of state that the superintendent has declared the 4741 district under section 3316.031 of the Revised Code to be under 4742 a fiscal caution, has found that the district has not acted 4743 reasonably to eliminate or correct practices or conditions that 4744 prompted the declaration, and has determined the declaration of 4745 4746 a state of fiscal watch necessary to prevent further fiscal decline; 4747

(b) The auditor of state determines that the decision of 4748the superintendent is reasonable. 4749

If the auditor of state determines that the decision of4750the superintendent is not reasonable, the auditor of state shall4751provide the superintendent with a written explanation of that4752determination.4753

(4) The auditor of state may declare a school district to4754be in a state of fiscal watch if all of the following conditions4755are satisfied:4756

(a) An operating deficit has been certified for the
current fiscal year by the auditor of state, and the certified
deficit exceeds two per cent, but does not exceed
eight per cent, of the school district's general fund revenue
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for the preceding fiscal year;

(b) A majority of the voting electors have not voted in 4762 favor of levying a tax under section 5705.194, 5705.199, or 4763 5705.21 or Chapter 5748. of the Revised Code that the auditor of 4764 state expects will raise enough additional revenue in the next 4765 succeeding fiscal year that division (A) (4) (a) of this section 4766 will not apply to the district in the next succeeding fiscal 4767 4768 vear;

(c) The auditor of state determines that there is no 4769 reasonable cause for the deficit or that the declaration of 4770 fiscal watch is necessary to prevent further fiscal decline in 4771 the district. 4772

(B) (1) The auditor of state shall issue an order declaring 4773 a school district to be in a state of fiscal emergency if the 4774 auditor of state determines that both of the following 4775 conditions are satisfied with respect to the school district: 4776

(a) An operating deficit has been certified for the 4777 current fiscal year by the auditor of state, and the certified 4778 operating deficit exceeds fifteen per cent of the school 4779 district's general fund revenue for the preceding fiscal year. 4780 In determining the amount of an operating deficit under division 4781 (B) (1) (a) of this section, the auditor of state shall credit 4782 toward the amount of that deficit only the amount that may be-4783 borrowed from the spending reserve balance as determined under 4784 section 133.301 and division (F) of section 5705.29 of the 4785 Revised Code. 4786

(b) A majority of the voting electors have not voted in 4787 favor of levying a tax under section 5705.194, 5705.199, or 4788 5705.21 or Chapter 5748. of the Revised Code that the auditor of 4789

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state expects will raise enough additional revenue in the next4790succeeding fiscal year that division (B)(1)(a) of this section4791will not apply to the district in such next succeeding fiscal4792year.4793

(2) The auditor of state shall issue an order declaring a 4794 school district to be in a state of fiscal emergency if the 4795 school district board fails, pursuant to section 3316.04 of the 4796 Revised Code, to submit a plan acceptable to the state 4797 superintendent of public instruction within one hundred twenty 4798 days of the auditor of state's declaration under division (A) of 4799 this section or an updated plan when one is required by division 4800 (C) of section 3316.04 of the Revised Code; 4801

(3) The auditor of state shall issue an order declaring a
school district to be in a state of fiscal emergency if both of
the following conditions are satisfied:

(a) The superintendent of public instruction has reported
to the auditor of state that the district is not materially
complying with the provisions of an original or updated plan as
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approved by the state superintendent under section 3316.04 of
the Revised Code, and that the state superintendent has
determined the declaration of a state of fiscal emergency
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necessary to prevent further fiscal decline;

(b) The auditor of state finds that the determination of4812the superintendent is reasonable.4813

If the auditor of state determines that the decision of4814the superintendent is not reasonable, the auditor of state shall4815provide the superintendent a written explanation of that4816determination.4817

(4) The auditor of state shall issue an order declaring a 4818

school district to be in a state of fiscal emergency if a 4819 declaration of fiscal emergency is required by division (D) of 4820 section 3316.04 of the Revised Code.

(5) The auditor of state may issue an order declaring a 4822 school district to be in a state of fiscal emergency if all of 4823 the following conditions are satisfied: 4824

(a) An operating deficit has been certified for the 4825 current fiscal year by the auditor of state, and the certified 4826 operating deficit exceeds ten per cent, but does not exceed 4827 fifteen per cent, of the school district's general fund revenue 4828 for the preceding fiscal year; 4829

(b) A majority of the voting electors have not voted in 4830 favor of levying a tax under section 5705.194, 5705.199, or 4831 5705.21 or Chapter 5748. of the Revised Code that the auditor of 4832 state expects will raise enough additional revenue in the next 4833 succeeding fiscal year that division (B) (5) (a) of this section 4834 will not apply to the district in the next succeeding fiscal 4835 year; 4836

(c) The auditor of state determines that a declaration of 4837 4838 fiscal emergency is necessary to correct the district's fiscal problems and to prevent further fiscal decline. 4839

4840 (C) In making the determinations under this section, the auditor of state may use financial reports required under 4841 section 117.43 of the Revised Code; tax budgets, certificates of 4842 estimated resources and amendments thereof, annual appropriating 4843 measures and spending plans, and any other documents or 4844 information prepared pursuant to Chapter 5705. of the Revised 4845 Code; and any other documents, records, or information available 4846 to the auditor of state that indicate the conditions described 4847

in divisions (A) and (B) of this section.

(D) The auditor of state shall certify the action taken
under division (A) or (B) of this section to the board of
education of the school district, the director of budget and
management, the mayor or county auditor who could be required to
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act pursuant to division (B) (1) of section 3316.05 of the
Revised Code, and to the superintendent of public instruction.

(E) A determination by the auditor of state under this 4855 4856 section that a fiscal emergency condition does not exist is final and conclusive and not appealable. A determination by the 4857 auditor of state under this section that a fiscal emergency 4858 exists is final, except that the board of education of the 4859 school district affected by such a determination may appeal the 4860 determination of the existence of a fiscal emergency condition 4861 to the court of appeals having territorial jurisdiction over the 4862 school district. The appeal shall be heard expeditiously by the 4863 court of appeals and for good cause shown shall take precedence 4864 over all other civil matters except earlier matters of the same 4865 character. Notice of such appeal must be filed with the auditor 4866 of state and such court within thirty days after certification 4867 by the auditor of state to the board of education of the school 4868 district provided for in division (D) of this section. In such 4869 appeal, determinations of the auditor of state shall be presumed 4870 to be valid and the board of education shall have the burden of 4871 proving, by clear and convincing evidence, that each of the 4872 determinations made by the auditor of state as to the existence 4873 of a fiscal emergency condition under this section was in error. 4874 If the board of education fails, upon presentation of its case, 4875 to prove by clear and convincing evidence that each such 4876 determination by the auditor of state was in error, the court 4877 shall dismiss the appeal. The board of education and the auditor 4878

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of state may introduce any evidence relevant to the existence or 4879 nonexistence of such fiscal emergency conditions. The pendency 4880 of any such appeal shall not affect or impede the operations of 4881 this chapter; no restraining order, temporary injunction, or 4882 other similar restraint upon actions consistent with this 4883 chapter shall be imposed by the court or any court pending 4884 determination of such appeal; and all things may be done under 4885 this chapter that may be done regardless of the pendency of any 4886 such appeal. Any action taken or contract executed pursuant to 4887 this chapter during the pendency of such appeal is valid and 4888 enforceable among all parties, notwithstanding the decision in 4889 such appeal. If the court of appeals reverses the determination 4890 of the existence of a fiscal emergency condition by the auditor 4891 of state, the determination no longer has any effect, and any 4892 procedures undertaken as a result of the determination shall be 4893 terminated. 4894

Sec. 3316.06. (A) Within one hundred twenty days after the 4895 first meeting of a school district financial planning and 4896 supervision commission, the commission shall adopt a financial 4897 recovery plan regarding the school district for which the 4898 4899 commission was created. During the formulation of the plan, the commission shall seek appropriate input from the school district 4900 board and from the community. This plan shall contain the 4901 following: 4902

(1) Actions to be taken to:

(a) Eliminate all fiscal emergency conditions declared to
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exist pursuant to division (B) of section 3316.03 of the Revised
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(b) Satisfy any judgments, past-due accounts payable, andall past-due and payable payroll and fringe benefits;4908

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(c) Eliminate the deficits in all deficit funds, except 4909 that any prior year deficits in the capital and maintenance fund 4910 established pursuant to section 3315.18 of the Revised Code 4911 4912 shall be forgiven; (d) Restore to special funds any moneys from such funds 4913 that were used for purposes not within the purposes of such 4914 funds, or borrowed from such funds by the purchase of debt 4915 obligations of the school district with the moneys of such 4916 funds, or missing from the special funds and not accounted for, 4917 4918 if any; (e) Balance the budget, avoid future deficits in any 4919 funds, and maintain on a current basis payments of payroll, 4920 fringe benefits, and all accounts; 4921 (f) Avoid any fiscal emergency condition in the future; 4922 (q) Restore the ability of the school district to market 4923 long-term general obligation bonds under provisions of law 4924 applicable to school districts generally. 4925 (2) The management structure that will enable the school 4926 district to take the actions enumerated in division (A)(1) of 4927 this section. The plan shall specify the level of fiscal and 4928 management control that the commission will exercise within the 4929 school district during the period of fiscal emergency, and shall 4930 enumerate respectively, the powers and duties of the commission 4931 and the powers and duties of the school board during that 4932 period. The commission may elect to assume any of the powers and 4933

duties of the school board it considers necessary, including all4934powers related to personnel, curriculum, and legal issues in4935order to successfully implement the actions described in4936division (A) (1) of this section.4937

(3) The target dates for the commencement, progress upon, 4938 and completion of the actions enumerated in division (A) (1) of 4939 this section and a reasonable period of time expected to be 4940 required to implement the plan. The commission shall prepare a 4941 reasonable time schedule for progress toward and achievement of 4942 the requirements for the plan, and the plan shall be consistent 4943 with that time schedule. 4944

4945 (4) The amount and purpose of any issue of debt obligations that will be issued, together with assurances that 4946 any such debt obligations that will be issued will not exceed 4947 debt limits supported by appropriate certifications by the 4948 fiscal officer of the school district and the county auditor. 4949 4950 Debt obligations issued pursuant to section 133.301 of the Revised Code shall include assurances that such debt shall be in 4951 an amount not to exceed the amount certified under division (B) 4952 of such section. If the commission considers it necessary in 4953 order to maintain or improve educational opportunities of pupils 4954 in the school district, the plan may include a proposal to 4955 restructure or refinance outstanding debt obligations incurred 4956 by the board under section 3313.483 of the Revised Code 4957 4958 contingent upon the approval, during the period of the fiscal emergency, by district voters of a tax levied under section 4959 718.09, 718.10, 5705.194, 5705.21, 5748.02, 5748.08, or 5748.09 4960 of the Revised Code that is not a renewal or replacement levy, 4961 or a levy under section 5705.199 of the Revised Code, and that 4962 will provide new operating revenue. Notwithstanding any 4963 provision of Chapter 133. or sections 3313.483 to 3313.4810 of 4964 the Revised Code, following the required approval of the 4965 district voters and with the approval of the commission, the 4966 school district may issue securities to evidence the 4967 restructuring or refinancing. Those securities may extend the 4968

original period for repayment, not to exceed ten years, and may 4969 alter the frequency and amount of repayments, interest or other 4970 financing charges, and other terms of agreements under which the 4971 debt originally was contracted, at the discretion of the 4972 commission, provided that any loans received pursuant to section 4973 3313.483 of the Revised Code shall be paid from funds the 4974 district would otherwise receive under Chapter 3317. of the 4975 Revised Code, as required under division (E)(3) of section 4976 3313.483 of the Revised Code. The securities issued for the 4977 purpose of restructuring or refinancing the debt shall be repaid 4978 in equal payments and at equal intervals over the term of the 4979 debt and are not eligible to be included in any subsequent 4980 proposal for the purpose of restructuring or refinancing debt 4981 under this section. 4982

(5) An evaluation of the feasibility of entering into
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shared services agreements with other political subdivisions for
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the joint exercise of any power, performance of any function, or
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rendering of any service, if so authorized by statute.

(B) Any financial recovery plan may be amended subsequent
to its adoption. Each financial recovery plan shall be updated
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annually.

(C) Each school district financial planning and 4990 supervision commission shall submit the financial recovery plan 4991 it adopts or updates under this section to the state 4992 superintendent of public instruction for approval immediately 4993 following its adoption or updating. The state superintendent 4994 shall evaluate the plan and either approve or disapprove it 4995 within thirty calendar days from the date of its submission. If 4996 the plan is disapproved, the state superintendent shall 4997 recommend modifications that will render it acceptable. No 4998 financial planning and supervision commission shall implement a 4999 financial recovery plan that is adopted or updated on or after 5000 April 10, 2001, unless the state superintendent has approved it. 5001

Sec. 3317.01. As used in this section, "school district,"5002unless otherwise specified, means any city, local, exempted5003village, joint vocational, or cooperative education school5004district and any educational service center.5005

This chapter shall be administered by the state board of 5006 education. The superintendent of public instruction shall 5007 calculate the amounts payable to each school district and shall 5008 certify the amounts payable to each eligible district to the 5009 treasurer of the district as provided by this chapter. As soon 5010 as possible after such amounts are calculated, the 5011 superintendent shall certify to the treasurer of each school 5012 district the district's adjusted charge off increase, as defined 5013 in section 5705.211 of the Revised Code. Certification of moneys 5014 pursuant to this section shall include the amounts payable to 5015 each school building, at a frequency determined by the 5016 superintendent, for each subgroup of students, as defined in 5017 section 3317.40 of the Revised Code, receiving services, 5018 provided for by state funding, from the district or school. No 5019 moneys shall be distributed pursuant to this chapter without the 5020 approval of the controlling board. 5021

The state board of education shall, in accordance with5022appropriations made by the general assembly, meet the financial5023obligations of this chapter.5024

Moneys distributed to school districts pursuant to this5025chapter shall be calculated based on the annual enrollment5026calculated from the three reports required under sections50273317.03 and 3317.036 of the Revised Code and paid on a fiscal5028

year basis, beginning with the first day of July and extending 5029 through the thirtieth day of June. In any given fiscal year, 5030 prior to school districts submitting the first report required 5031 under section 3317.03 of the Revised Code, enrollment for the 5032 districts shall be calculated based on the third report 5033 submitted by the districts for the previous fiscal year. The 5034 moneys appropriated for each fiscal year shall be distributed 5035 periodically to each school district unless otherwise provided 5036 for. The state board, in June of each year, shall submit to the 5037 controlling board the state board's year-end distributions 5038 pursuant to this chapter. 5039

Except as otherwise provided, payments under this chapter 5040 shall be made only to those school districts in which: 5041

(A) The school district, except for any educational 5042 service center and any joint vocational or cooperative education 5043 school district, levies for current operating expenses at least 5044 twenty mills. Levies for joint vocational or cooperative 5045 education school districts or county school financing districts, 5046 limited to or to the extent apportioned to current expenses, 5047 shall be included in this qualification requirement. School 5048 district income tax levies under Chapter 5748. of the Revised 5049 5050 Code, limited to or to the extent apportioned to current operating expenses, shall be included in this qualification 5051 requirement to the extent determined by the tax commissioner 5052 under division (C) of section 3317.021 of the Revised Code. 5053

(B) The school year next preceding the fiscal year for
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which such payments are authorized meets the requirement of
section 3313.48 of the Revised Code, with regard to the minimum
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number of hours school must be open for instruction with pupils
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in attendance, for individualized parent-teacher conference and
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| reporting periods, and for professional meetings of teachers.    | 5059 |
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| A school district shall not be considered to have failed         | 5060 |
| to comply with this division because schools were open for       | 5061 |
| instruction but either twelfth grade students were excused from  | 5062 |
| attendance for up to the equivalent of three school days or only | 5063 |
| a portion of the kindergarten students were in attendance for up | 5064 |
| to the equivalent of three school days in order to allow for the | 5065 |
| gradual orientation to school of such students.                  | 5066 |
| A board of education or governing board of an educational        | 5067 |
| service center which has not conformed with other law and the    | 5068 |
| rules pursuant thereto, shall not participate in the             | 5069 |
| distribution of funds authorized by this chapter, except for     | 5070 |
| good and sufficient reason established to the satisfaction of    | 5071 |
| the state board of education and the state controlling board.    | 5072 |
| All funds allocated to school districts under this               | 5073 |
| chapter, except those specifically allocated for other purposes, | 5074 |
| shall be used to pay current operating expenses only.            | 5075 |
| Sec. 4301.20. This chapter and Chapter 4303. of the              | 5076 |
| Revised Code do not prevent the following:                       | 5077 |
| (A) The storage of intoxicating liquor in bonded                 | 5078 |
| warehouses, established in accordance with the acts of congress  | 5079 |
| and under the regulation of the United States, located in this   | 5080 |
| state, or the transportation of intoxicating liquor to or from   | 5081 |
| bonded warehouses of the United States wherever located;         | 5082 |
| (B) A bona fide resident of this state who is the owner of       | 5083 |
| a warehouse receipt from obtaining or transporting to the        | 5084 |
| resident's residence for the resident's own consumption and not  | 5085 |
| for resale spirituous liquor stored in a government bonded       | 5086 |
| warehouse in this state or in another state prior to December    | 5087 |

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1933, subject to such terms as are prescribed by the division of 5088 liquor control; 5089 (C) The manufacture of cider from fruit for the purpose of 5090 making vinegar, and nonintoxicating cider and fruit juices for 5091 use and sale; 5092 (D) A licensed physician or dentist from administering or 5093 dispensing intoxicating liquor or alcohol to a patient in good 5094 faith in the actual course of the practice of the physician's or 5095 dentist's profession; 5096 (E) The sale of alcohol to physicians, dentists, 5097 druggists, veterinary surgeons, manufacturers, hospitals, 5098 infirmaries, or medical or educational institutions using the 5099 alcohol for medicinal, mechanical, chemical, or scientific 5100 purposes; 5101 (F) The sale, gift, or keeping for sale by druggists and 5102 others of any of the medicinal preparations manufactured in 5103 accordance with the formulas prescribed by the United States 5104 Pharmacopoeia and National Formulary, patent or proprietary 5105 preparations, and other bona fide medicinal and technical 5106 preparations, which contain no more alcohol than is necessary to 5107 hold the medicinal agents in solution and to preserve the same, 5108 which are manufactured and sold as medicine and not as 5109 beverages, are unfit for use for beverage purposes, and the sale 5110 of which does not require the payment of a United States liquor 5111 dealer's tax; 5112 (G) The manufacture and sale of tinctures or of toilet, 5113 medicinal, and antiseptic preparations and solutions not 5114 intended for internal human use nor to be sold as beverages, and 5115 which are unfit for beverage purposes, if upon the outside of 5116 each bottle, box, or package of which there is printed in the5117English language, conspicuously and legibly, the quantity by5118volume of alcohol in the preparation or solution;5119

(H) The manufacture and keeping for sale of the food
 products known as flavoring extracts when manufactured and sold
 for cooking, culinary, or flavoring purposes, and which are
 unfit for use for beverage purposes;

(I) The lawful sale of wood alcohol or of ethyl alcohol
for external use when combined with other substances as to make
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it unfit for internal use;
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(J) The manufacture, sale, and transport of ethanol or
ethyl alcohol for use as fuel. As used in this division,
"ethanol" has the same meaning as in section 5733.46 122.075 of
the Revised Code.

(K) The purchase and importation into this state or the 5131 purchase at wholesale from A or B permit holders in this state 5132 of beer and intoxicating liquor for use in manufacturing 5133 processes of nonbeverage food products under terms prescribed by 5134 the division, provided that the terms prescribed by the division 5135 5136 shall not increase the cost of the beer or intoxicating liquor to any person, firm, or corporation purchasing and importing it 5137 into this state or purchasing it from an A or B permit holder 5138 for that use; 5139

(L) Any resident of this state or any member of the armed 5140 forces of the United States, who has attained the age of twenty- 5141 one years, from bringing into this state, for personal use and 5142 not for resale, not more than one liter of spirituous liquor, 5143 four and one-half liters of wine, or two hundred eighty-eight 5144 ounces of beer in any thirty-day period, and the same is free of 5145

any tax consent fee when the resident or member of the armed5146forces physically possesses and accompanies the spirituous5147liquor, wine, or beer on returning from a foreign country,5148another state, or an insular possession of the United States;5149

(M) Persons, at least twenty-one years of age, who collect 5150 ceramic commemorative bottles containing spirituous liquor that 5151 have unbroken federal tax stamps on them from selling or trading 5152 the bottles to other collectors. The bottles shall originally 5153 have been purchased at retail from the division, legally 5154 imported under division (L) of this section, or legally imported 5155 pursuant to a supplier registration issued by the division. The 5156 sales shall be for the purpose of exchanging a ceramic 5157 commemorative bottle between private collectors and shall not be 5158 for the purpose of selling the spirituous liquor for personal 5159 consumption. The sale or exchange authorized by this division 5160 shall not occur on the premises of any permit holder, shall not 5161 be made in connection with the business of any permit holder, 5162 and shall not be made in connection with any mercantile 5163 business. 5164

(N) The sale of beer or intoxicating liquor without a
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liquor permit at a private residence, not more than five times
per calendar year at a residence address, at an event that has
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the following characteristics:
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(1) The event is for a charitable, benevolent, or
political purpose, but shall not include any event the proceeds
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of which are for the profit or gain of any individual;
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(2) The event has in attendance not more than fifty 5172people; 5173

(3) The event shall be for a period not to exceed twelve

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hours; 5175 (4) The sale of beer and intoxicating liquor at the event 5176 shall not take place between two-thirty a.m. and five-thirty 5177 a.m.; 5178 (5) No person under twenty-one years of age shall purchase 5179 or consume beer or intoxicating liquor at the event and no beer 5180 or intoxicating liquor shall be sold to any person under twenty-5181 one years of age at the event; and 5182 (6) No person at the event shall sell or furnish beer or 5183 intoxicating liquor to an intoxicated person. 5184 (O) The possession or consumption of beer or intoxicating 5185 liquor by a person who is under twenty-one years of age and who 5186 is a student at an accredited college or university, provided 5187 that both of the following apply: 5188 5189 (1) The person is required to taste and expectorate the beer or intoxicating liquor for a culinary, food service, or 5190 hospitality course. 5191 (2) The person is under the direct supervision of the 5192 instructor of the culinary, food service, or hospitality course. 5193 Sec. 4582.024. After a port authority has been created, 5194 any municipal corporation, township, or county, acting by 5195 ordinance, resolution of the township trustees, or resolution of 5196 the county commissioners, respectively, which is contiguous to 5197 such port authority, or to any municipal corporation, township, 5198

or county which proposes to join such port authority at the same 5199 time and is contiguous to such port authority, or any county 5200 within which such port authority is situated, may join such port 5201 authority and thereupon the jurisdiction and territory of such 5202 port authority shall include such municipal corporation, county, 5203

or township. If more than one such political subdivision is to 5204 be joined to the port authority at the same time, then each such 5205 ordinance or resolution shall designate the political 5206 subdivisions which are to be so joined. Any territory or 5207 municipal corporation not included in a port authority and which 5208 is annexed to a municipal corporation included within the 5209 jurisdiction and territory of a port authority shall, on such 5210 annexation and without further proceedings, be annexed to and be 5211 included in the jurisdiction and territory of such port 5212 authority. Before such political subdivision or subdivisions are 5213 joined to a port authority, other than by annexation to a 5214 municipality, the political subdivision or subdivisions 5215 theretofore comprising such port authority shall agree upon the 5216 terms and conditions pursuant to which such political 5217 subdivision or subdivisions are to be joined. For all purposes 5218 of sections 4582.01 to 4582.20, inclusive, of the Revised Code, 5219 such political subdivision or subdivisions shall be considered 5220 to have participated in the creation of such port authority, 5221 except that the initial term of any director of the port 5222 authority appointed by such a political subdivision shall be 5223 four years. After each ordinance or resolution proposing joinder 5224 to the port authority has become effective and the terms and 5225 conditions of joinder have been agreed to, the board of 5226 directors of the port authority shall by resolution either 5227 accept or reject such joinder. Such joinder shall be effective 5228 on adoption of the resolution accepting such joinder, unless the 5229 port authority to which a political subdivision or subdivisions 5230 including a county within which such port authority is located, 5231 are to be joined has authority under section 4582.14 of the 5232 Revised Code to levy a tax on property within its jurisdiction, 5233 then such joinder shall not be effective until approved by the 5234 5235 affirmative vote of a majority of the electors voting on the

question of such joinder. If more than one political subdivision is to be joined to the port authority, then the electors of such 5237 subdivision shall vote as a district and the majority affirmative vote shall be determined by the vote cast in such 5240 district as a whole. Such election shall be called by the board of directors of the port authority and shall be held, canvassed,

5241 5242 and certified in the manner provided for the submission of tax levies under section 5705.191 of the Revised Code except that 5243 5244 the question appearing on the ballot shall read: "Shall ..... 5245 (name or names of political subdivisions to be joined) 5246 5247 (name) 5248 existing tax levy (levies) of such port authority (aggregating) 5249 ..... mill per dollar of valuation be authorized to be 5250 levied against properties within 5251

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(name or names of political subdivisions to be joined)

If the question is approved such joinder shall be immediately effective 5254 and the port authority shall be authorized to extend the levy of such tax 5255 against all the taxable property within the political subdivision or 5256 political subdivisions which have been joined. If such question is 5257 approved at a general election then the port authority may amend its 5258 budget and resolution adopted pursuant to section 5705.34 of the Revised 5259 Code and such levy shall be placed on the current tax list and duplicate 5260 and collected as other taxes are collected from all taxable property 5261 within the port authority including the political subdivision or political 5262

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subdivisions joined as a result of such election.

Sec. 4582.26. After a port authority has been created, any 5264 municipal corporation, township, county, or other political 5265 subdivision, acting by ordinance or resolution, which is 5266 contiguous to any municipal corporation, township, county, or 5267 other political subdivision which participated in the creation 5268 of such port authority or to any municipal corporation, 5269 township, county, or other political subdivision which proposes 5270 to join the port authority at the same time and is contiguous to 5271 5272 any municipal corporation, township, county, or other political 5273 subdivision which participated in the creation of such port authority, may join such port authority, and thereupon the 5274 jurisdiction and territory of the port authority includes the 5275 municipal corporation, county, township, or other political 5276 subdivision so joining. If more than one such political 5277 subdivision is to be joined to the port authority at the same 5278 time, then each such ordinance or resolution shall designate the 5279 political subdivisions which are to be so joined. Any territory 5280 or municipal corporation not included in a port authority and 5281 which is annexed to a municipal corporation included within the 5282 jurisdiction and territory of a port authority shall, on such 5283 annexation and without further proceedings, be annexed to and be 5284 included in the jurisdiction and territory of the port 5285 authority. Before such political subdivision or subdivisions are 5286 joined to a port authority, other than by annexation to a 5287 municipal corporation, the political subdivision or subdivisions 5288 theretofore comprising such port authority shall agree upon the 5289 terms and conditions pursuant to which such political 5290 subdivision or subdivisions are to be joined. For all purposes 5291 of sections 4582.21 to 4582.59 of the Revised Code, such 5292 political subdivision or subdivisions shall be considered to 5293

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have participated in the creation of such port authority, except 5294 that the initial term of any director of the port authority 5295 appointed by such a political subdivision shall be four years. 5296 After each ordinance or resolution proposing joinder to the port 5297 authority has become effective and the terms and conditions of 5298 joinder have been agreed to, the board of directors of the port 5299 authority shall by resolution either accept or reject such 5300 joinder. Such joinder shall be effective upon adoption of the 5301 resolution accepting such joinder, unless the port authority to 5302 which a political subdivision or subdivisions, including a 5303 county within which such port authority is located, are to be 5304 joined, has authority under section 4582.40 of the Revised Code 5305 to levy a tax on property within its jurisdiction, then such 5306 joinder shall not be effective until approved by the affirmative 5307 vote of a majority of the electors voting on the question of the 5308 joinder. If more than one political subdivision is to be joined 5309 to the port authority, then the electors of such subdivisions 5310 shall vote as a district and the majority affirmative vote shall 5311 be determined by the vote cast in such district as a whole. The 5312 election shall be called by the board of directors of the port 5313 authority and shall be held, canvassed, and certified in the 5314 manner provided for the submission of tax levies under section 5315 5705.191 of the Revised Code except that the question appearing 5316 on the ballot shall read: 5317 "Shall ..... 5318 (Name or names of political subdivisions to <u>be joined</u>) 5319 5320 be joined) 5321

5323 (Name) and the existing tax levy (levies) of such port authority 5324 (aggregating) ..... mill per dollar of valuation 5325 be authorized to be levied against properties within 5326 .....?" 5327

(Name or names of political subdivisions to be joined) 5328

If the question is approved the joinder becomes immediately effective and 5329 the port authority is authorized to extend the levy of such tax against 5330 all the taxable property within the political subdivision or political 5331 subdivisions which have been joined. If such question is approved at a 5332 general election, then the port authority may amend its budget and 5333 resolution adopted pursuant to section 5705.34 of the Revised Code and 5334 such levy shall be placed on the current tax list and duplicate and 5335 collected as other taxes are collected from all taxable property within 5336 the port authority including the political subdivision or political 5337 subdivisions joined as a result of the election. 5338

Sec. 4582.56. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Eligible county" means a county whose territory 5340 includes a part of Lake Erie the shoreline of which represents 5341 at least fifty per cent of the linear length of the county's 5342 border with other counties of this state. 5343

(2) "Lakeshore improvement project" means construction of 5344 a port authority facility within one mile of the Lake Erie 5345 shoreline in an eligible county. 5346

(3) "Construction" includes acquisition, alteration, 5347 construction, creation, development, enlargement, equipment, 5348 improvement, installation, reconstruction, remodeling, 5349

renovation, or any combination thereof.

(B) The board of directors of a port authority may enter
into an agreement with the board of county commissioners of an
eligible county that created the port authority providing for
all of the following, and any other terms mutually agreeable to
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the boards:

(1) The board of county commissioners levies an excise tax 5356 under division (M) (U) of section 5739.09 of the Revised Code 5357 and pledges all the revenue from the tax to the port authority 5358 for the purpose of financing lakeshore improvement projects 5359 including the payment of debt charges on any securities issued 5360 under division (C) of this section. 5361

(2) The port authority constructs or finances the
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construction of lakeshore improvements and pays the costs of
such projects with revenue from the tax pledged under the
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agreement. Such construction or financing is an authorized
purpose for the purposes of division (B) of section 4582.21 of
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the Revised Code.

(3) The port authority may not enter into any contract or
other obligation regarding a lakeshore improvement project
before obtaining the approval for the project by the board of
county commissioners by a resolution of the board.

(C) The board of directors of a port authority that enters 5372 into an agreement under this section may issue port authority 5373 special obligation bonds, and notes anticipating the proceeds of 5374 the bonds, in the principal amount that, in the opinion of the 5375 board, are necessary for the purpose of paying the costs of one 5376 or more lakeshore improvement projects or parts of one or more 5377 projects and interest on the bonds payable over the term of the 5378

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issue. The board may refund any special obligation bonds by the5379issuance of special obligation refunding bonds regardless of5380whether the bonds to be refunded have or have not matured. The5381refunding bonds shall be sold, and the proceeds needed for such5382purpose applied, in the manner provided in the bond proceedings.5383

Every issue of special obligation bonds issued under this 5384 section shall be payable from the revenue from the tax levied 5385 under division  $\frac{(M)}{(U)}$  of section 5739.09 of the Revised Code 5386 and pledged for such payment under the agreement. The pledge 5387 shall be valid and binding from the time the pledge is made, and 5388 the revenue so pledged and received by the port authority shall 5389 be subject to the lien of the pledge without any physical 5390 delivery of the revenue or any further act. The lien of any 5391 pledge is valid and binding as against all parties having claims 5392 of any kind in tort, contract, or otherwise against the port 5393 authority, whether or not such parties have notice of the lien. 5394 Neither the resolution nor any trust agreement by which a pledge 5395 is created need be filed or recorded except in the port 5396 authority's records. 5397

Whether or not the bonds are of such form and character as5398to be negotiable instruments under Title XIII of the Revised5399Code, the bonds shall have all the qualities and incidents of5400negotiable instruments, subject only to their provisions for5401registration, if any.5402

Bonds issued under this section shall bear such date or5403dates, and shall mature at such time or times not exceeding5404thirty years from the date of issue of the original bonds and5405shall be executed in the manner that the resolution authorizing5406the bonds may provide. The bonds shall bear interest at such5407rates, or at variable rate or rates changing from time to time,5408

in accordance with provisions provided in the authorizing 5409 resolution, shall be in such denominations and form, either 5410 coupon or registered, shall carry such registration privileges, 5411 shall be payable in such medium of payment and at such place or 5412 places, and be subject to such terms of redemption, as the board 5413 of directors of the port authority may authorize or provide. The 5414 bonds may be sold at public or private sale, and at, or at not 5415 less than, the price or prices as the board determines. If any 5416 officer whose signature or a facsimile of whose signature 5417 appears on any bonds or coupons ceases to be such officer before 5418 delivery of the bonds, the signature or facsimile shall 5419 nevertheless be sufficient for all purposes as if the officer 5420 had remained in office until delivery of the bonds, and in case 5421 the seal of the authority has been changed after a facsimile has 5422 been imprinted on the bonds, the facsimile seal will continue to 5423 be sufficient for all purposes. 5424

Any resolution authorizing bonds under this section may 5425 contain provisions governing the use and disposition of revenue 5426 pledged under the agreement under division (B) of this section; 5427 the crediting of the proceeds of the sale of the bonds to and 5428 among the funds referred to or provided for in the resolution; 5429 limitations on the purpose to which the proceeds of sale of the 5430 bonds may be applied and the pledging of portions of such 5431 proceeds to secure payment of the bonds; the issuance of notes 5432 in anticipation of the issuance of bonds; the terms upon which 5433 additional bonds may be issued and secured; the refunding of 5434 outstanding bonds; the procedure, if any, by which the terms of 5435 any contract with bondholders may be amended, the amount of 5436 bonds the holders of which must consent thereto, and the manner 5437 in which such consent may be given; securing any bonds by a 5438 trust agreement in accordance with division (D) of this section; 5439

and any other matters that may affect the security or protection 5440 of the bonds. The taxes anticipated by the bonds are not subject 5441 to diminution by initiative or referendum or by law while the 5442 bonds or notes remain outstanding in accordance with their 5443 terms, unless provision is made by law or by the board of county 5444 commissioners and board of directors of the port authority for 5445 an adequate substitute therefor reasonably satisfactory to the 5446 trustee, if a trust agreement secures the bonds. 5447

Neither the members of the board of directors of the port5448authority nor any person executing the bonds shall be liable5449personally on the bonds or be subject to any personal liability5450or accountability by reason of the issuance.5451

(D) In the discretion of the board of directors, the bonds 5452
issued under this section may be secured by a trust agreement 5453
between the board of directors on behalf of the port authority 5454
and a corporate trustee, which may be any trust company or bank 5455
having powers of a trust company, within or outside the state. 5456

The trust agreement may provide for the pledge or 5457 assignment of the tax revenue to be received under the agreement 5458 entered into under division (B) of this section, but shall not 5459 pledge the general credit or other taxing power of the county or 5460 the general credit or taxing power of the port authority. The 5461 trust agreement or the resolution providing for the issuance of 5462 the bonds may set forth the rights and remedies of the 5463 bondholders and trustee, and may contain other provisions for 5464 protecting and enforcing their rights and remedies that are 5465 determined in the discretion of the board of directors to be 5466 reasonable and proper. 5467

Sec. 5701.08. As used in Title LVII of the Revised Code: 5468

(A) Personal property is "used" within the meaning of 5469 "used in business" when employed or utilized in connection with 5470 ordinary or special operations, when acquired or held as means 5471 or instruments for carrying on the business, when kept and 5472 maintained as a part of a plant capable of operation, whether 5473 actually in operation or not, or when stored or kept on hand as 5474 material, parts, products, or merchandise. Machinery and 5475 equipment classifiable upon completion as personal property 5476 while under construction or installation to become part of a new 5477 or existing plant or other facility is not considered to be 5478 "used" by the owner of such plant or other facility within the 5479 meaning of "used in business" until such machinery and equipment 5480 is installed and in operation or capable of operation in the 5481 business for which acquired. Agricultural products in storage in 5482 a grain elevator, a warehouse, or a place of storage which 5483 products are subject to control of the United States government 5484 and are to be shipped on order of the United States government 5485 are not used in business in this state. 5486

(B) Merchandise or agricultural products shipped from 5487
outside this state and held in this state in a warehouse or a 5488
place of storage without further manufacturing or processing and 5489
for storage only and for shipment outside this state are not 5490
used in business in this state. Such property qualifies for this 5491
exception if division (B) (1) or (2) of this section applies: 5492

(1) During any period that a person owns such property in 5493this state: 5494

(a) The property is to be shipped from a warehouse or
place of storage in this state to the owner of the property or
persons other than customers at locations outside this state for
state; processing, or sale; or

(b) The property is located in public or private 5499 warehousing facilities in this state which are not subject to 5500 the control of or under the supervision of the owner of the 5501 property or manned by its employees and from which the property 5502 is to be shipped to any person, including a customer, outside 5503 this state. 5504

(2) During the first twenty-four calendar months that a
person first owns such property in this state, the property is
held in a warehouse or place of storage in this state located
within one mile of the closest boundary of an airport, and is
shipped to any person, including a customer, outside this state.

For the purposes of division (B)(2) of this section, 5510 "airport" means any airport, as defined in division (C) of 5511 section 4561.01 of the Revised Code, which is approved by the 5512 department of transportation under section 4561.11 of the 5513 Revised Code to be used for commercial purposes, is regularly 5514 served by only one air carrier authorized to do so under 14 5515 C.F.R., and is not a public airport as defined in 49 U.S.C. 5516 Appx. 2202(a)(17) as existing on the effective date of this 5517 amendment July 26, 1991. 5518

(3) For property that may meet the condition for the 5519 exception provided in division (B)(2) of this section, if it is 5520 not known at the conclusion of a reporting period whether the 5521 property yet qualifies for such exception, the owner of such 5522 property shall return it for taxation. If it is later determined 5523 that the returned property does so qualify, the owner may apply 5524 for a final assessment and refund on the property as provided in 5525 section 5711.26 of the Revised Code. 5526

(C) Leased property used by the lessee exclusively foragricultural purposes and new or used machinery and equipment5528

and accessories therefor that are designed and built for5529agricultural use and owned by a merchant as defined in section55305711.15 of the Revised Code are not considered to be "used"5531within the meaning of "used in business."5532

(D) Moneys, deposits, investments, accounts receivable,
and prepaid items, and other taxable intangibles are "used" when
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they or the avails thereof are being applied, or are intended to
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be applied, in the conduct of the business, whether in this
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state or elsewhere.

(E) "Business" includes all enterprises, except
 agriculture, conducted for gain, profit, or income and extends
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 to personal service occupations.
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Sec. 5701.12. (A) The effective date to which this section5541refers is March 27, 2013, the effective date of this section as5542enacted by H.B. 510 of the 129th general assembly.5543

(B) Any reference in Title LVII to "consolidated reports 5544
 of condition and income" or "call report" means the consolidated 5545
 reports of condition and income as those reports existed on the 5546
 effective date. 5547

(C) Any reference in Title LVII to "FR Y-9" or "Y-9" means
 the FR Y-9 financial statements as those financial statements
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 existed on the effective date.
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(D) This section does not apply to any reference in Title
 LVII of the Revised Code to "consolidated reports of condition
 and income," "call report," "FR Y-9," or "Y-9" as of a date
 certain specifying the day, month, and year.

Sec. 5703.04. The tax commissioner shall have the5555following powers, duties, privileges, and immunities of the5556department of taxation:5557

provided by law, including, the right to inspect books, 5559 accounts, records, and memorandums, to examine persons under 5560 oath, to issue orders or subpoenas for the production of books, 5561 5562 accounts, papers, records, documents, and testimony, to take depositions, to apply to a court for attachment proceedings as 5563 for contempt, to approve vouchers for the fees of officers and 5564 witnesses, and to administer oaths; provided that the powers 5565 referred to in this division of this section shall be exercised 5566 by the board of tax appeals or by the tax commissioner only in 5567 connection with the performance of the duties respectively 5568 assigned to each under sections 5703.01 to 5703.09, 5703.14, and 5569 5703.15 of the Revised Code; 5570 (B) Appoint agents and prescribe their powers and duties 5571 as provided by section 5703.17 of the Revised Code; 5572 (C) Confer and meet with officers of other states and 5573 officers of the United States on any matters pertaining to their 5574 respective official duties as provided by law; 5575 (D) The immunity provided by section 5703.38 of the 5576 Revised Code; 5577 (E) The rights of action provided by section 5703.39 of 5578 the <u>Revised</u>Code; 5579 (F) The duties and powers mentioned in section 5703.41 of 5580 the Revised Code. 5581 5582 Sec. 5703.211. (A) The tax commissioner shall adopt rules under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code that, except as otherwise 5583 provided in division (B) of this section, require that any 5584

(A) All powers whatsoever of an inquisitorial nature as

search of any of the databases of the department of taxation be 5585 tracked so that administrators of the database or investigators 5586

| can identify each account holder who conducted a search of the              | 5587 |
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| database.   | 5588 |
| (B) The rules adopted under division (A) of this section                    | 5589 |
| shall not require the tracking of any search of any of the                  | 5590 |
| databases of the department conducted by an account holder in               | 5591 |
| any of the following circumstances:   | 5592 |
| (1) The search occurs as a result of research performed                     | 5593 |
| for official agency purposes, routine office procedures, or                 | 5594 |
| incidental contact with the information, unless the search is               | 5595 |
| specifically directed toward a <u>specifially</u> specifically named        | 5596 |
| individual or a group of specifically named individuals.                    | 5597 |
| (2) The search is for information about an individual, and                  | 5598 |
| it is performed as a result of a request by that individual for             | 5599 |
| information about that individual.  | 5600 |
| Sec. 5703.54. (A) A taxpayer aggrieved by an action or                      | 5601 |
| omission of an officer or employee of the department of taxation            | 5602 |
| may bring an action for damages in the court of claims pursuant             | 5603 |
| to Chapter <del>2734. <u>2743.</u> of the Revised Code, if all of the</del> | 5604 |
| following apply:  | 5605 |
| (1) In the action or omission the officer or employee                       | 5606 |
| frivolously disregards a provision of Chapter 5711., 5733.,                 | 5607 |
| 5739., 5741., or 5747. of the Revised Code or a rule of the tax             | 5608 |
| commissioner adopted under authority of one of those chapters;              | 5609 |
| (2) The action or omission occurred with respect to an                      | 5610 |
| audit or assessment and the review and collection proceedings               | 5611 |
| connected with the audit or assessment;                                     | 5612 |
| (3) The officer or employee did not act manifestly outside                  | 5613 |
| the scope of the officer's or employee's office or employment               | 5614 |
| and did not act with malicious purpose, in bad faith, or in a               | 5615 |

wanton or reckless manner.

(B) In any action brought under division (A) of this 5617 section, upon a finding of liability on the part of the state, 5618 the state shall be liable to the taxpayer in an amount equal to 5619 the sum of the following:

(1) Compensatory damages sustained by the taxpayer as a 5621 result of the action or omission by the department's officer or 5622 employee; 5623

5624 (2) Reasonable costs of litigation and attorneys fees sustained by the taxpayer. 5625

(C) In the awarding of damages under division (B) of this 5626 section, the court shall take into account the negligent actions 5627 or omissions, if any, on the part of the taxpayer that 5628 contributed to the damages, but shall not be bound by the 5629 provisions of sections 2315.32 to 2315.36 of the Revised Code. 5630

(D) Whenever it appears to the court that a taxpayer's 5631 conduct in the proceedings brought under division (A) of this 5632 section is frivolous, the court may impose a penalty against the 5633 taxpayer in an amount not to exceed ten thousand dollars which 5634 shall be paid to the general revenue fund of the state. 5635

(E)(1) Division (A) of this section does not apply to 5636 advisory opinions or other informational functions of an officer 5637 or employee of the department. 5638

(2) Division (A) of this section does not authorize a 5639 taxpayer to bring an action for damages based on an action or 5640 omission of a county auditor or an employee of a county auditor. 5641

(F) As used in this section, "frivolous" means that the 5642 conduct of the commissioner, or of the taxpayer or the 5643

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| taxpayer's counsel of record satisfies either of the following:  | 5644 |
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| (1) It obviously serves merely to harass or maliciously          | 5645 |
| injure the state or its employees or officers if referring to    | 5646 |
| the conduct of a taxpayer, or to harass or maliciously injure    | 5647 |
| the taxpayer if referring to the conduct of the tax              | 5648 |
| commissioner;  | 5649 |
| (2) It is not warranted under existing law and cannot be         | 5650 |
| supported by a good faith argument for an extension,             | 5651 |
| modification, or reversal of existing law.                       | 5652 |
| Sec. 5703.94. (A) As used in this section:                       | 5653 |
| (1) "Declared disaster" means an event for which a               | 5654 |
| disaster declaration has been issued.                            | 5655 |
| (2) "Disaster declaration" means a declaration issued by         | 5656 |
| the president of the United States or the governor of this state | 5657 |
| that an emergency exists.  | 5658 |
| (3) "Disaster response period" means the period that             | 5659 |
| begins on the tenth day preceding the day on which a disaster    | 5660 |
| declaration is issued through the sixtieth day following the day | 5661 |
| that the disaster declaration expires or is rescinded.           | 5662 |
| (4) "Disaster work" means both of the following:                 | 5663 |
| (a) Repairing, renovating, installing, or constructing           | 5664 |
| critical infrastructure damaged or destroyed by the declared     | 5665 |
| disaster, or other business activities related to that critical  | 5666 |
| infrastructure;  | 5667 |
| (b) Activities conducted in preparation for any activity         | 5668 |
| described in division (A)(4)(a) of this section.                 | 5669 |
| (5) "Critical infrastructure" means property and equipment       | 5670 |

owned or used by a qualifying owner or user to provide service5671to more than one customer, including related support facilities5672such as buildings, offices, power lines, cable lines, poles,5673communication lines, and structures.5674

(6) "Qualifying owner or user" means a public utility,
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 commercial mobile radio service provider, cable service
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 provider, or video service provider.
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(7) "Public utility" has the same meaning as in section
4905.02 of the Revised Code, without regard to the exclusions
from that definition prescribed in divisions (A) (1) to (5) of
that section.

(8) "Commercial mobile radio service provider" means a
person providing commercial mobile service as defined in 47
U.S.C. 332(d).

(9) "Cable service provider" and "video service provider" 5685have the same meanings as in section 1332.21 of the Revised 5686Code. 5687

(10) "Out-of-state disaster business" means a person that 5688
does all of the following or to which apply all of the 5689
following: 5690

(a) Receives a qualifying solicitation;

(b) Conducts disaster work in this state during a disaster(b) Sonducts disaster work in this state during a disaster(b) 5692(c) 5693

(c) Is not subject to taxation under Chapter 5747. or
5751. of the Revised Code on any basis other than such disaster
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work during the calendar year preceding the year in which the
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disaster response period begins or is subject to such taxation
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during that year solely because the person is a related member
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| of another person.   | 5699 |
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| (11) "Out-of-state employee" means an individual who             | 5700 |
| performs no work in this state, except disaster work during a    | 5701 |
| disaster response period, from the first day of the preceding    | 5702 |
| calendar year to the date on which the disaster response period  | 5703 |
| begins.  | 5704 |
| (12) "Related member" has the same meaning as in section         | 5705 |
| 5733.042 of the Revised Code without regard to division (B) of   | 5706 |
| that section.  | 5707 |
| (13) "Qualifying solicitation" means a written                   | 5708 |
| solicitation or request from the state, a county, municipal      | 5709 |
| corporation, or township, or a qualifying user or owner of       | 5710 |
| critical infrastructure soliciting or requesting the assistance  | 5711 |
| of a person to perform disaster work in this state.              | 5712 |
| (14) "Qualifying employee" means one of the following:           | 5713 |
| (a) An out-of-state employee performing disaster work in         | 5714 |
| this state during a disaster response period whose employer      | 5715 |
| receives a qualifying solicitation to perform such work;         | 5716 |
| (b) An out-of-state employee performing disaster work in         | 5717 |
| this state on critical infrastructure owned or used by the       | 5718 |
| employee's employer during a disaster response period, provided  | 5719 |
| that employer is a qualifying user or owner.                     | 5720 |
| (B) An out-of-state disaster business or qualifying              | 5721 |
| employee shall qualify for all of the following, as applicable:  | 5722 |
| (1) The exemption authorized in division (C)(20) of              | 5723 |
| section 718.01, the exemption authorized in division (C)(10) of  | 5724 |
| section 5741.02, the deduction authorized in division (A) $(33)$ | 5725 |
| (30) of section 5747.01, and the exclusion authorized in         | 5726 |

| division (F)(2)(11) of section 5751.01 of the Revised Code;      | 5727 |
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| (2) An exemption from any requirement to file a document         | 5728 |
| or application with or to remit a fee to the secretary of state  | 5729 |
| as a condition precedent to engaging in business in this state,  | 5730 |
| in accordance with section 1701.041 of the Revised Code;         | 5731 |
| (3) An exemption from the requirements of Chapters 4121.,        | 5732 |
| 4123., and 4141. of the Revised Code, in accordance with         | 5733 |
| division (A)(2) of section 4123.01 and section 4141.42 of the    | 5734 |
| Revised Code;  | 5735 |
| (4) An exemption from the requirement to obtain a state or       | 5736 |
| local occupational license or other authorization, in accordance | 5737 |
| with section 4799.04 of the Revised Code.                        | 5738 |
| (C)(1) Upon the request of the tax commissioner, an out-         | 5739 |
| of-state disaster business shall provide the following           | 5740 |
| information to the commissioner:                                 | 5741 |
| (a) The name of the out-of-state disaster business and the       | 5742 |
| address of its principal place of business;                      | 5743 |
| (b) The business' federal tax identification number;             | 5744 |
| (c) A copy of the qualifying solicitation received by the        | 5745 |
| business;  | 5746 |
| (d) The dates that the out-of-state disaster business and        | 5747 |
| each of the business' out-of-state employees performing disaster | 5748 |
| work in this state during a disaster response period began       | 5749 |
| performing disaster work in this state during that period;       | 5750 |
| (e) The name and social security number of each of the           | 5751 |
| out-of-state disaster business' out-of-state employees           | 5752 |
| performing disaster work in this state during a disaster         | 5753 |
| response period;   | 5754 |

(f) The name of any person of which the out-of-state 5755 disaster business is a related member, provided that person is 5756 subject to taxation under Chapter 5747. or 5751. of the Revised 5757 Code during the calendar year preceding the year in which the 5758 5759 disaster response period begins; (g) Any other information required by the tax 5760 commissioner. 5761 (2) Upon the request of the tax commissioner, the employer 5762 of a qualifying employee shall provide the following information 5763 to the commissioner: 5764 5765 (a) The employer's name and the address of its principal place of business; 5766 (b) The employer's federal tax identification number; 5767 (c) For the employer of a qualifying employee described in 5768 5769 division (A)(14)(a) of this section, a copy of the qualifying solicitation received by the employer; 5770 (d) The date each of the employer's out-of-state employees 5771 performing disaster work in this state during a disaster 5772 response period began performing disaster work in this state 5773 during that period; 5774 (e) The name and social security number of each of the 5775 employer's out-of-state employees performing disaster work in 5776 this state during a disaster response period; 5777 (f) Any other information required by the tax 5778 commissioner. 5779 (3) If the commissioner makes a request under division (C) 5780 (1) or (2) of this section, the out-of-state disaster business 5781 or employer shall submit information described in that division 5782

| to the commissioner not later than thirty days from the date the | 5783 |
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| disaster response period terminates or thirty days after the     | 5784 |
| business or employer receives the request, whichever is later.   | 5785 |
| (D) The department of taxation may adopt rules necessary         | 5786 |
| to administer this section.                                      | 5787 |
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| Sec. 5703.95. (A) As used in this section, "tax                  | 5788 |
| expenditure" has the same meaning as in section 5703.48 of the   | 5789 |
| Revised Code.  | 5790 |
| (B) There is hereby created the tax expenditure review           | 5791 |
| committee, consisting of seven members, composed of the          | 5792 |
| following:   | 5793 |
| (1) Three members of the house of representatives                | 5794 |
| appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives in      | 5795 |
| consultation with the minority leader of the house of            | 5796 |
| representatives. Members described in division (B)(1) of this    | 5797 |
| section shall not all be members of the same party and should be | 5798 |
| members of the house of representatives committee that deals     | 5799 |
| primarily with tax legislation;                                  | 5800 |
| (2) Three members of the senate appointed by the president       | 5801 |
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| of the senate in consultation with the minority leader of the    | 5802 |
| senate. Members described in division (B)(2) of this section     | 5803 |
| shall not all be members of the same party and should be members | 5804 |
| of the senate committee that deals primarily with tax            | 5805 |
| legislation;   | 5806 |
| (3) The tax commissioner or the tax commissioner's               | 5807 |
| designee. The member described in division (B)(3) of this        | 5808 |
| section shall be a nonvoting member.                             | 5809 |
| The speaker of the house of representatives and the              | 5810 |

The speaker of the house of representatives and the5810president of the senate shall make initial appointments to the5811

committee not later than thirty days following the effective 5812 date of the enactment of this section after March 21, 2017. 5813 Thereafter, the terms of the office for appointed members shall 5814 be the same as the term of each general assembly. Members may be 5815 reappointed, provided the member continues to meet all other 5816 eligibility requirements. Vacancies shall be filled in the 5817 manner provided for original appointments. Any member appointed 5818 to fill a vacancy before the expiration of the term for which 5819 the predecessor was appointed shall hold office as a member for 5820 the remainder of that term. Appointed members of the committee 5821 serve at the pleasure of the member's appointing authority and 5822 may be removed only by the appointing authority. 5823

5824 (C) The tax expenditure review committee shall hold its first meeting within ninety days after the effective date of the 5825 enactment of this section March 21, 2017. At the first meeting, 5826 the members shall elect a chairperson, who shall be one of the 5827 members described in division (B)(1) or (2) of this section. 5828 Thereafter, the committee shall meet at least once during the 5829 first year of each fiscal biennium to review existing tax 5830 expenditures pursuant to division (D) of this section, provided 5831 the committee shall hold, for any such expenditure, at least one 5832 meeting at which a person may present to the committee evidence 5833 or testimony related to that expenditure. Any person may submit 5834 to the chairperson a request that the committee meet to accept 5835 evidence or testimony on a tax expenditure. The committee is a 5836 public body for the purposes of section 121.22 of the Revised 5837 Code. 5838

The chairperson of the committee shall serve until the5839thirty-first day of December of each even-numbered year.5840Thereafter, members shall elect a new chairperson. If the5841preceding chairperson was a member described in division (B)(1)5842

of this section, the new chairperson shall be a member described5843in division (B)(2) of this section. If the preceding chairperson5844was a member described in division (B)(2) of this section, the5845new chairperson shall be a member described in division (B)(1)5846of this section.5847

A vacancy on the committee does not impair the right of 5848 the other members to exercise all the functions of the 5849 committee. The presence of a majority of the voting members of 5850 the committee constitutes a quorum for the conduct of business 5851 of the committee. The concurrence of at least a majority of the 5852 voting members of the committee is necessary for any action to 5853 be taken by the committee. 5854

Upon the committee's request, the department of taxation, 5855 development services agency, office of budget and management, or 5856 other state agency shall provide any information in its 5857 possession that the committee requires to perform its duties. 5858

The staff of the legislative service commission shall5859assist the committee as directed by the committee.5860

(D) The committee shall establish a schedule for review 5861 for each tax expenditure so that each expenditure is reviewed at 5862 least once every eight years. The schedule may provide for the 5863 5864 review of each tax expenditure in the order the expenditures were enacted or modified, beginning with the least recently 5865 enacted or modified tax expenditure. Alternatively, the review 5866 schedule may group tax expenditures by the individuals or 5867 industries benefiting from the expenditures, the objectives of 5868 each expenditure, or the policy rationale of each expenditure. 5869 In its review, the committee shall make recommendations as to 5870 whether each tax expenditure should be continued without 5871 modification, modified, scheduled for further review at a future 5872

date to consider repealing the expenditure, or repealed 5873 outright. For each expenditure reviewed, the committee may 5874 recommend accountability standards for the future review of the 5875 expenditure. The committee may consider, when reviewing a tax 5876 expenditure, any of the relevant factors described in division 5877 (E) of this section. 5878 (E) In conducting reviews pursuant to division (D) of this 5879 section, the committee may consider the following factors: 5880 5881 (1) The number and classes of persons, organizations, businesses, or types of industries that would receive the direct 5882 benefit or consequences of the tax expenditure; 5883 (2) The fiscal impact of the tax expenditure on state and 5884 local taxing authorities, including any past fiscal effects and 5885 expected future fiscal impacts of the tax expenditure in the 5886 following eight-year period; 5887 (3) Public policy objectives that might support the tax 5888 expenditure. In researching such objectives, the committee may 5889 consider the expenditure's legislative history, the tax 5890 expenditure's sponsor's intent in proposing the tax expenditure, 5891 or the extent to which the tax expenditure encourages or would 5892 encourage business growth or relocation into the state, promotes 5893 or would promote growth or retention of high-wage jobs in the 5894 state, or aids or would aid community stabilization. 5895

(4) Whether the tax expenditure successfully accomplishes
 any of the objectives identified in division (E) (3) of this
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(5) Whether the objectives identified in division (E) (3)
of this section would or could have been accomplished
successfully in the absence of the tax expenditure or with less
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cost to the state or local governments;

(6) Whether the objectives identified in division (E) (3) 5903 of this section could have been accomplished successfully 5904 through a program that requires legislative appropriations for 5905 funding; 5906

(7) The extent to which the tax expenditure may provide 5907 unintended benefits to an individual, organization, or industry 5908 other than those the general assembly or sponsor intended or 5909 creates an unfair competitive advantage for its recipient with 5910 respect to other businesses in the state; 5911

(8) The extent to which terminating the tax expenditure 5912 may have negative effects on taxpayers that currently benefit 5913 5914 from the tax expenditure;

(9) The extent to which terminating the tax expenditure 5915 may have negative or positive effects on the state's employment 5916 and economy;

(10) The feasibility of modifying the tax expenditure to 5918 provide for adjustment or recapture of the proceeds of the tax 5919 expenditure if the objectives of the tax expenditure are not 5920 fulfilled by the recipient of the tax expenditure. 5921

(F) The committee shall prepare a report of its 5922 determinations under division (D) of this section and, not later 5923 than the first day of July of each even-numbered year, submit a 5924 copy of the report to the governor, the speaker of the house of 5925 representatives, the president of the senate, the minority 5926 leader of the house of representatives, and the minority leader 5927 of the senate. The first report shall be submitted either in the 5928 vear of the effective date of this section or in the first even-5929 numbered year thereafter 2017 or 2018. If the committee 5930

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maintains a web site, the committee shall cause a copy of the 5931 report to be posted on the web site in a form enabling access to 5932 the report by the public within thirty days after the report is 5933 submitted under this division. If the committee does not 5934 maintain a web site, the committee shall request that the 5935 president of the senate and the speaker of the house of 5936 representatives cause the report to be posted on the web site of 5937 the general assembly. 5938

(G) Any bill introduced in the house of representatives or
the senate that proposes to enact or modify one or more tax
expenditures should include a statement explaining the
objectives of the tax expenditure or its modification and the
sponsor's intent in proposing the tax expenditure or its
modification.

Sec. 5705.03. (A) The taxing authority of each subdivision 5945 may levy taxes annually, subject to the limitations of sections 5946 5705.01 to 5705.47 of the Revised Code, on the real and personal 5947 property within the subdivision for the purpose of paying the 5948 current operating expenses of the subdivision and acquiring or 5949 constructing permanent improvements. The taxing authority of 5950 each subdivision and taxing unit shall, subject to the 5951 limitations of such sections, levy such taxes annually as are 5952 necessary to pay the interest and sinking fund on and retire at 5953 maturity the bonds, notes, and certificates of indebtedness of 5954 such subdivision and taxing unit, including levies in 5955 anticipation of which the subdivision or taxing unit has 5956 incurred indebtedness. 5957

(B) (1) When a taxing authority determines that it is 5958
necessary to levy a tax outside the ten-mill limitation for any 5959
purpose authorized by the Revised Code, the taxing authority 5960

requesting that the county auditor certify to the taxing 5962 authority the total current tax valuation of the subdivision, 5963 and the number of mills required to generate a specified amount 5964 of revenue, or the dollar amount of revenue that would be 5965 generated by a specified number of mills. The resolution or 5966 ordinance shall state all of the following: 5967 5968 (a) The purpose of the tax; (b) Whether the tax is an additional levy, a renewal or a 5969 replacement of an existing tax, or a renewal or replacement of 5970 an existing tax with an increase or a decrease; 5971 (c) The section of the Revised Code authorizing submission 5972 of the question of the tax; 5973 (d) The term of years of the tax or if the tax is for a 5974 continuing period of time; 5975 (e) That the tax is to be levied upon the entire territory 5976 of the subdivision or, if authorized by the Revised Code, a 5977 description of the portion of the territory of the subdivision 5978 in which the tax is to be levied: 5979 (f) The date of the election at which the question of the 5980 5981 tax shall appear on the ballot;

shall certify to the county auditor a resolution or ordinance

(g) That the ballot measure shall be submitted to the 5982 entire territory of the subdivision or, if authorized by the 5983 Revised Code, a description of the portion of the territory of 5984 the subdivision to which the ballot measure shall be submitted; 5985

(h) The tax year in which the tax will first be levied and 5986 the calendar year in which the tax will first be collected; 5987

(i) Each such county in which the subdivision has 5988

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If a subdivision is located in more than one county, the 5990 county auditor shall obtain from the county auditor of each 5991 other county in which the subdivision is located the current tax 5992 valuation for the portion of the subdivision in that county. The 5993 county auditor shall issue the certification to the taxing 5994 authority within ten days after receiving the taxing authority's 5995 resolution or ordinance requesting it. 5996

(2) When considering the tangible personal property
component of the tax valuation of the subdivision, the county
auditor shall take into account the assessment percentages
prescribed in section 5711.22 of the Revised Code. The tax
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commissioner may issue rules, orders, or instructions directing
how the assessment percentages must be utilized.

(3) Upon receiving the certification from the county 6003 auditor, the taxing authority may adopt a resolution or 6004 ordinance stating the rate of the tax levy, expressed in mills 6005 for each one dollar in tax valuation as estimated by the county 6006 auditor, and that the taxing authority will proceed with the 6007 submission of the question of the tax to electors. The taxing 6008 authority shall certify this resolution or ordinance, a copy of 6009 the county auditor's certification, and the resolution or 6010 ordinance the taxing authority adopted under division (B)(1) of 6011 this section to the proper county board of elections in the 6012 manner and within the time prescribed by the section of the 6013 Revised Code governing submission of the question. The county 6014 board of elections shall not submit the question of the tax to 6015 electors unless a copy of the county auditor's certification 6016 accompanies the resolutions or ordinances the taxing authority 6017 certifies to the board. Before requesting a taxing authority to 6018

submit a tax levy, any agency or authority authorized to make 6019 that request shall first request the certification from the 6020 county auditor provided under this section. 6021

(4) (3) This division is supplemental to, and not in 6022 derogation of, any similar requirement governing the 6023 certification by the county auditor of the tax valuation of a 6024 subdivision or necessary tax rates for the purposes of the 6025 submission of the question of a tax in excess of the ten-mill 6026 limitation, including sections 133.18 and 5705.195 of the 6027 Revised Code. 6028

(C) All taxes levied on property shall be extended on the 6029 tax list and duplicate by the county auditor of the county in 6030 which the property is located, and shall be collected by the 6031 county treasurer of such county in the same manner and under the 6032 same laws and rules as are prescribed for the assessment and 6033 collection of county taxes. The proceeds of any tax levied by or 6034 for any subdivision when received by its fiscal officer shall be 6035 deposited in its treasury to the credit of the appropriate fund. 6036

Sec. 5705.13. (A) A taxing authority of a subdivision, by 6037 resolution or ordinance, may establish reserve balance accounts 6038 to accumulate currently available resources for the following 6039 purposes: 6040

(1) To stabilize subdivision budgets against cyclical 6041 changes in revenues and expenditures; 6042

(2) Except as otherwise provided by this section, to 6043 provide for the payment of claims and deductibles under an 6044 individual or joint self-insurance program for the subdivision, 6045 if the subdivision is permitted by law to establish such a 6046 6047 program;

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The ordinance or resolution establishing a reserve balance6053account shall state the purpose for which the account is6054established, the fund in which the account is to be established,6055and the total amount of money to be reserved in the account.6056

Not more than one reserve balance account may be6057established for each of the purposes permitted under divisions6058(A) (2) and (3) of this section. Money to the credit of a reserve6059balance account may be expended only for the purpose for which6060the account was established.6061

A reserve balance account established for the purpose 6062 described in division (A)(1) of this section may be established 6063 in the general fund or in one or more special funds for 6064 operating purposes of the subdivision. The amount of money to be 6065 reserved in such an account in any fiscal year shall not exceed 6066 five per cent of the revenue credited in the preceding fiscal 6067 year to the fund in which the account is established, or, in the 6068 case of a reserve balance account of a county or of a township, 6069 the greater of that amount or one-sixth of the expenditures 6070 during the preceding fiscal year from the fund in which the 6071 account is established. Subject to division (G) (F) of section 6072 5705.29 of the Revised Code, any reserve balance in an account 6073 established under division (A)(1) of this section shall not be 6074 considered part of the unencumbered balance or revenue of the 6075 subdivision under division (A) of section 5705.35 or division 6076 (A) (1) of section 5705.36 of the Revised Code. 6077

At any time, a taxing authority of a subdivision, by6078resolution or ordinance, may reduce or eliminate the reserve6079balance in a reserve balance account established for the purpose6080described in division (A) (1) of this section.6081

A reserve balance account established for the purpose 6082 described in division (A)(2) or (3) of this section shall be 6083 established in the general fund of the subdivision or by the 6084 establishment of a separate internal service fund established to 6085 account for the operation of an individual or joint self-6086 insurance program described in division (A) (2) of this section 6087 or a workers' compensation program or plan described in division 6088 (A) (3) of this section, and shall be based on sound actuarial 6089 principles. The total amount of money in a reserve balance 6090 account for self-insurance may be expressed in dollars or as the 6091 amount determined to represent an adequate reserve according to 6092 6093 sound actuarial principles.

A taxing authority of a subdivision, by resolution or 6094 ordinance, may rescind a reserve balance account established 6095 under this division. If a reserve balance account is rescinded, 6096 money that has accumulated in the account shall be transferred 6097 to the fund or funds from which the money originally was 6098 transferred. 6099

(B) A taxing authority of a subdivision, by resolution or 6100 ordinance, may establish a special revenue fund for the purpose 6101 of accumulating resources for the payment of accumulated sick 6102 leave and vacation leave, and for payments in lieu of taking 6103 compensatory time off, upon the termination of employment or the 6104 retirement of officers and employees of the subdivision. The 6105 special revenue fund may also accumulate resources for payment 6106 of salaries during any fiscal year when the number of pay 6107

periods exceeds the usual and customary number of pay periods. 6108 Notwithstanding sections 5705.14, 5705.15, and 5705.16 of the 6109 Revised Code, the taxing authority, by resolution or ordinance, 6110 may transfer money to the special revenue fund from any other 6111 fund of the subdivision from which such payments may lawfully be 6112 made. The taxing authority, by resolution or ordinance, may 6113 rescind a special revenue fund established under this division. 6114 If a special revenue fund is rescinded, money that has 6115 accumulated in the fund shall be transferred to the fund or 6116 funds from which the money originally was transferred. 6117

(C) A taxing authority of a subdivision, by resolution or 6118 ordinance, may establish a capital projects fund for the purpose 6119 of accumulating resources for the acquisition, construction, or 6120 improvement of fixed assets of the subdivision. For the purposes 6121 of this section, "fixed assets" includes motor vehicles. More 6122 than one capital projects fund may be established and may exist 6123 at any time. The ordinance or resolution shall identify the 6124 source of the money to be used to acquire, construct, or improve 6125 the fixed assets identified in the resolution or ordinance, the 6126 amount of money to be accumulated for that purpose, the period 6127 of time over which that amount is to be accumulated, and the 6128 fixed assets that the taxing authority intends to acquire, 6129 construct, or improve with the money to be accumulated in the 6130 fund. 6131

A taxing authority of a subdivision shall not accumulate6132money in a capital projects fund for more than ten years after6133the resolution or ordinance establishing the fund is adopted. If6134the subdivision has not entered into a contract for the6135acquisition, construction, or improvement of fixed assets for6136which money was accumulated in such a fund before the end of6137that ten-year period, the fiscal officer of the subdivision6138

shall transfer all money in the fund to the fund or funds from6139which that money originally was transferred or the fund that6140originally was intended to receive the money.6141

A taxing authority of a subdivision, by resolution or6142ordinance, may rescind a capital projects fund. If a capital6143projects fund is rescinded, money that has accumulated in the6144fund shall be transferred to the fund or funds from which the6145money originally was transferred.6146

Notwithstanding sections 5705.14, 5705.15, and 5705.16 of6147the Revised Code, the taxing authority of a subdivision, by6148resolution or ordinance, may transfer money to the capital6149projects fund from any other fund of the subdivision that may6150lawfully be used for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, or6151improving the fixed assets identified in the resolution or6152ordinance.6153

Sec. 5705.19. This section does not apply to school6154districts, county school financing districts, or lake facilities6155authorities.6156

The taxing authority of any subdivision at any time and in 61.57 any year, by vote of two-thirds of all the members of the taxing 6158 authority, may declare by resolution and certify the resolution 6159 to the board of elections not less than ninety days before the 6160 election upon which it will be voted that the amount of taxes 6161 that may be raised within the ten-mill limitation will be 6162 insufficient to provide for the necessary requirements of the 6163 subdivision and that it is necessary to levy a tax in excess of 6164 that limitation for any of the following purposes: 6165

(A) For current expenses of the subdivision, except that6166the total levy for current expenses of a detention facility6167

district or district organized under section 2151.65 of the6168Revised Code shall not exceed two mills and that the total levy6169for current expenses of a combined district organized under6170sections 2151.65 and 2152.41 of the Revised Code shall not6171exceed four mills;6172

(B) For the payment of debt charges on certain described
bonds, notes, or certificates of indebtedness of the subdivision
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issued subsequent to January 1, 1925;
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(C) For the debt charges on all bonds, notes, and
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certificates of indebtedness issued and authorized to be issued
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prior to January 1, 1925;
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(D) For a public library of, or supported by, the
subdivision under whatever law organized or authorized to be
supported;

(E) For a municipal university, not to exceed two mills
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 over the limitation of one mill prescribed in section 3349.13 of
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 the Revised Code;
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(F) For the construction or acquisition of any specific
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permanent improvement or class of improvements that the taxing
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authority of the subdivision may include in a single bond issue;
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(G) For the general construction, reconstruction, 6188
resurfacing, and repair of streets, roads, and bridges in 6189
municipal corporations, counties, or townships; 6190

(H) For parks and recreational purposes; 6191

(I) For providing and maintaining fire apparatus,
mechanical resuscitators, underwater rescue and recovery
equipment, or other fire equipment and appliances, buildings and
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sites therefor, or sources of water supply and materials
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therefor, for the establishment and maintenance of lines of 6196 fire-alarm communications, for the payment of firefighting 6197 companies or permanent, part-time, or volunteer firefighting, 6198 emergency medical service, administrative, or communications 6199 personnel to operate the same, including the payment of any 6200 employer contributions required for such personnel under section 6201 145.48 or 742.34 of the Revised Code, for the purchase of 6202 ambulance equipment, for the provision of ambulance, paramedic, 6203 or other emergency medical services operated by a fire 6204 department or firefighting company, or for the payment of other 6205 related costs; 6206

(J) For providing and maintaining motor vehicles, 6207 communications, other equipment, buildings, and sites for such 6208 buildings used directly in the operation of a police department, 6209 for the payment of salaries of permanent or part-time police, 6210 communications, or administrative personnel to operate the same, 6211 including the payment of any employer contributions required for 6212 such personnel under section 145.48 or 742.33 of the Revised 6213 Code, for the payment of the costs incurred by townships as a 6214 result of contracts made with other political subdivisions in 6215 order to obtain police protection, for the provision of 6216 ambulance or emergency medical services operated by a police 6217 department, or for the payment of other related costs; 6218

(K) For the maintenance and operation of a county home or 6219detention facility; 6220

(L) For community developmental disabilities programs and
services pursuant to Chapter 5126. of the Revised Code, except
that such levies shall be subject to the procedures and
requirements of section 5705.222 of the Revised Code;
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(M) For regional planning;

(N) For a county's share of the cost of maintaining and
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operating schools, district detention facilities, forestry
camps, or other facilities, or any combination thereof,
established under section 2151.65 or 2152.41 of the Revised Code
or both of those sections;

(O) For providing for flood defense, providing and
 maintaining a flood wall or pumps, and other purposes to prevent
 floods;
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(P) For maintaining and operating sewage disposal plants6234and facilities;6235

(Q) For the purpose of purchasing, acquiring,
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constructing, enlarging, improving, equipping, repairing,
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maintaining, or operating, or any combination of the foregoing,
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a county transit system pursuant to sections 306.01 to 306.13 of
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the Revised Code, or of making any payment to a board of county
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commissioners operating a transit system or a county transit
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board pursuant to section 306.06 of the Revised Code;
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(R) For the subdivision's share of the cost of acquiring
or constructing any schools, forestry camps, detention
facilities, or other facilities, or any combination thereof,
under section 2151.65 or 2152.41 of the Revised Code or both of
those sections;

(S) For the prevention, control, and abatement of air6248pollution;6249

(T) For maintaining and operating cemeteries;

(U) For providing ambulance service, emergency medical6251service, or both;

(V) For providing for the collection and disposal of 6253

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garbage or refuse, including yard waste; 6254 (W) For the payment of the police officer employers' 6255 contribution or the firefighter employers' contribution required 6256 under sections 742.33 and 742.34 of the Revised Code; 6257 62.58 (X) For the construction and maintenance of a drainage improvement pursuant to section 6131.52 of the Revised Code; 6259 (Y) For providing or maintaining senior citizens services 6260 or facilities as authorized by section 307.694, 307.85, 505.70, 6261 or 505.706 or division (EE) of section 717.01 of the Revised 6262 Code; 6263 (Z) For the provision and maintenance of zoological park 6264 services and facilities as authorized under section 307.76 of 6265 the Revised Code; 6266 (AA) For the maintenance and operation of a free public 6267 museum of art, science, or history; 6268 (BB) For the establishment and operation of a 9-1-1 6269 system, as defined in section 128.01 of the Revised Code; 6270 (CC) For the purpose of acquiring, rehabilitating, or 6271 developing rail property or rail service. As used in this 6272 division, "rail property" and "rail service" have the same 6273 meanings as in section 4981.01 of the Revised Code. This 6274 division applies only to a county, township, or municipal 6275 corporation. 6276 (DD) For the purpose of acquiring property for, 6277 constructing, operating, and maintaining community centers as 6278 provided for in section 755.16 of the Revised Code; 6279

(EE) For the creation and operation of an office or joint 6280 office of economic development, for any economic development 6281 purpose of the office, and to otherwise provide for the 6282 establishment and operation of a program of economic development 6283 pursuant to sections 307.07 and 307.64 of the Revised Code, or 6284 to the extent that the expenses of a county land reutilization 6285 corporation organized under Chapter 1724. of the Revised Code 62.86 are found by the board of county commissioners to constitute the 6287 promotion of economic development, for the payment of such 6288 6289 operations and expenses;

(FF) For the purpose of acquiring, establishing,
constructing, improving, equipping, maintaining, or operating,
or any combination of the foregoing, a township airport, landing
field, or other air navigation facility pursuant to section
505.15 of the Revised Code;

(GG) For the payment of costs incurred by a township as a 6295 result of a contract made with a county pursuant to section 6296 505.263 of the Revised Code in order to pay all or any part of 6297 the cost of constructing, maintaining, repairing, or operating a 6298 water supply improvement; 6299

(HH) For a board of township trustees to acquire, other 6300 than by appropriation, an ownership interest in land, water, or 6301 wetlands, or to restore or maintain land, water, or wetlands in 6302 which the board has an ownership interest, not for purposes of 6303 recreation, but for the purposes of protecting and preserving 6304 the natural, scenic, open, or wooded condition of the land, 6305 water, or wetlands against modification or encroachment 6306 resulting from occupation, development, or other use, which may 6307 be styled as protecting or preserving "greenspace" in the 6308 resolution, notice of election, or ballot form. Except as 6309 otherwise provided in this division, land is not acquired for 6310 purposes of recreation, even if the land is used for 6311

recreational purposes, so long as no building, structure, or 6312 fixture used for recreational purposes is permanently attached 6313 or affixed to the land. Except as otherwise provided in this 6314 division, land that previously has been acquired in a township 6315 for these greenspace purposes may subsequently be used for 6316 recreational purposes if the board of township trustees adopts a 6317 resolution approving that use and no building, structure, or 6318 fixture used for recreational purposes is permanently attached 6319 or affixed to the land. The authorization to use greenspace land 6320 for recreational use does not apply to land located in a 6321 township that had a population, at the time it passed its first 6322 greenspace levy, of more than thirty-eight thousand within a 6323 county that had a population, at that time, of at least eight 6324 hundred sixty thousand. 6325

(II) For the support by a county of a crime victim
assistance program that is provided and maintained by a county
agency or a private, nonprofit corporation or association under
section 307.62 of the Revised Code;

(JJ) For any or all of the purposes set forth in divisions
(I) and (J) of this section. This division applies only to a
municipal corporation or a township.

(KK) For a countywide public safety communications system
under section 307.63 of the Revised Code. This division applies
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only to counties.

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(LL) For the support by a county of criminal justice6336services under section 307.45 of the Revised Code;6337
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(MM) For the purpose of maintaining and operating a jail 6338 or other detention facility as defined in section 2921.01 of the 6339 Revised Code; 6340 (NN) For purchasing, maintaining, or improving, or any 6341 combination of the foregoing, real estate on which to hold, and 6342 the operating expenses of, agricultural fairs operated by a 6343 county agricultural society or independent agricultural society 6344 under Chapter 1711. of the Revised Code. This division applies 6345 only to a county. 6346

(OO) For constructing, rehabilitating, repairing, or
maintaining sidewalks, walkways, trails, bicycle pathways, or
similar improvements, or acquiring ownership interests in land
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necessary for the foregoing improvements;
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(PP) For both of the purposes set forth in divisions (G)6351and (OO) of this section.6352

(QQ) For both of the purposes set forth in divisions (H) 6353 and (HH) of this section. This division applies only to a 6354 township. 6355

(RR) For the legislative authority of a municipal
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corporation, board of county commissioners of a county, or board
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of township trustees of a township to acquire agricultural
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easements, as defined in section 5301.67 of the Revised Code,
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and to supervise and enforce the easements.
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(SS) For both of the purposes set forth in divisions (BB)
and (KK) of this section. This division applies only to a
county.

(TT) For the maintenance and operation of a facility that
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is organized in whole or in part to promote the sciences and
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natural history under section 307.761 of the Revised Code.
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(UU) For the creation and operation of a county land
reutilization corporation and for any programs or activities of
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the corporation found by the board of directors of the
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| corporation to be consistent with the purposes for which the     | 6370 |
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| corporation is organized;  | 6371 |
| (VV) For construction and maintenance of improvements and        | 6372 |
| expenses of soil and water conservation district programs under  | 6373 |
| Chapter 940. of the Revised Code;                                | 6374 |
| chapter 940. Of the Revised Code,                                | 0574 |
| (WW) For the OSU extension fund created under section            | 6375 |
| 3335.35 of the Revised Code for the purposes prescribed under    | 6376 |
| section 3335.36 of the Revised Code for the benefit of the       | 6377 |
| citizens of a county. This division applies only to a county.    | 6378 |
| (XX) For a municipal corporation that withdraws or               | 6379 |
| proposes by resolution to withdraw from a regional transit       | 6380 |
| authority under section 306.55 of the Revised Code to provide    | 6381 |
| transportation services for the movement of persons within,      | 6382 |
| from, or to the municipal corporation;                           | 6383 |
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| (YY) For any combination of the purposes specified in            | 6384 |
| divisions (NN), (VV), and (WW) of this section. This division    | 6385 |
| applies only to a county.  | 6386 |
| (ZZ) For any combination of the following purposes: the          | 6387 |
| acquisition, construction, improvement, or maintenance of        | 6388 |
| buildings, equipment, and supplies for police, firefighting, or  | 6389 |
| emergency medical services; the construction, reconstruction,    | 6390 |
| resurfacing, or repair of streets, roads, and bridges; or for    | 6391 |
| general infrastructure projects. This division applies only to a | 6392 |
| township or municipal corporation.                               | 6393 |
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| (AAA) For any combination of the purposes specified in           | 6394 |
| divisions (G), (K), (N), (O), (P), (X), (BB), and (MM) of this   | 6395 |
| section, for the acquisition, construction or maintenance of     | 6396 |

county facilities, or for the acquisition of or improvements to6397land. This division applies only to a county.6398

The resolution shall be confined to the purpose or6399purposes described in one division of this section, to which the6400revenue derived therefrom shall be applied. The existence in any6401other division of this section of authority to levy a tax for6402any part or all of the same purpose or purposes does not6403preclude the use of such revenues for any part of the purpose or6404purposes of the division under which the resolution is adopted.6405

The resolution shall specify the amount of the increase in 6406 rate that it is necessary to levy, the purpose of that increase 6407 in rate, and the number of years during which the increase in 6408 rate shall be in effect, which may or may not include a levy 6409 upon the duplicate of the current year. The number of years may 6410 be any number not exceeding five, except as follows: 6411

(1) When the additional rate is for the payment of debt
charges, the increased rate shall be for the life of the
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indebtedness.

(2) When the additional rate is for any of the following,6415the increased rate shall be for a continuing period of time:6416

(a) For the current expenses for a detention facility
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district, a district organized under section 2151.65 of the
Revised Code, or a combined district organized under sections
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2151.65 and 2152.41 of the Revised Code;
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(b) For providing a county's share of the cost of6421maintaining and operating schools, district detention6422facilities, forestry camps, or other facilities, or any6423combination thereof, established under section 2151.65 or64242152.41 of the Revised Code or under both of those sections.6425

(3) When the additional rate is for either of the6426following, the increased rate may be for a continuing period of6427

time: 6428 (a) For the purposes set forth in division (I), (J), (U), 6429 or (KK) of this section; 6430 (b) For the maintenance and operation of a joint 6431 recreation district. 64.32 (4) When the increase is for the purpose or purposes set 6433 forth in division (D), (G), (H), (T), (Z), (CC), or (PP) of this 6434 section, the tax levy may be for any specified number of years 6435 or for a continuing period of time, as set forth in the 6436 resolution. 6437 (5) When the increase is for the purpose set forth in 6438 division (ZZ) or (AAA) of this section, the tax levy may be for 6439 any number of years not exceeding ten. 6440 6441 A levy for one of the purposes set forth in division (G), (I), (J), or (U) of this section may be reduced pursuant to 6442 section 5705.261 or 5705.31 of the Revised Code. A levy for one 6443 of the purposes set forth in division (G), (I), (J), or (U) of 6444 this section may also be terminated or permanently reduced by 6445 the taxing authority if it adopts a resolution stating that the 6446 continuance of the levy is unnecessary and the levy shall be 6447 terminated or that the millage is excessive and the levy shall 6448 be decreased by a designated amount. 6449 A resolution of a detention facility district, a district 6450 organized under section 2151.65 of the Revised Code, or a 6451 combined district organized under both sections 2151.65 and 6452 2152.41 of the Revised Code may include both current expenses 6453 and other purposes, provided that the resolution shall apportion 6454 the annual rate of levy between the current expenses and the 6455 other purpose or purposes. The apportionment need not be the 6456

same for each year of the levy, but the respective portions of 6457
the rate actually levied each year for the current expenses and 6458
the other purpose or purposes shall be limited by the 6459
apportionment. 6460

Whenever a board of county commissioners, acting either as 6461 the taxing authority of its county or as the taxing authority of 6462 a sewer district or subdistrict created under Chapter 6117. of 6463 the Revised Code, by resolution declares it necessary to levy a 6464 tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation for the purpose of 6465 6466 constructing, improving, or extending sewage disposal plants or sewage systems, the tax may be in effect for any number of years 6467 not exceeding twenty, and the proceeds of the tax, 6468 notwithstanding the general provisions of this section, may be 6469 used to pay debt charges on any obligations issued and 6470 outstanding on behalf of the subdivision for the purposes 6471 enumerated in this paragraph, provided that any such obligations 6472 have been specifically described in the resolution. 6473

A resolution adopted by the legislative authority of a 6474 municipal corporation that is for the purpose in division (XX) 6475 of this section may be combined with the purpose provided in 6476 section 306.55 of the Revised Code, by vote of two-thirds of all 6477 members of the legislative authority. The legislative authority 6478 may certify the resolution to the board of elections as a 6479 combined question. The question appearing on the ballot shall be 6480 as provided in section 5705.252 of the Revised Code. 6481

A levy for the purpose set forth in division (BB) of this6482section may be imposed in all or a portion of the territory of a6483subdivision. If the 9-1-1 system to be established and operated6484with levy funds excludes territory located within the6485subdivision, the resolution adopted under this section, or a6486

resolution proposing to renew such a levy that was imposed in 6487 all of the territory of the subdivision, may describe the area 6488 served or to be served by the system and specify that the 6489 proposed tax would be imposed only in the areas receiving or to 6490 receive the service. Upon passage of such a resolution, the 6491 board of elections shall submit the question of the tax levy 6492 only to those electors residing in the area or areas in which 6493 the tax would be imposed. If the 9-1-1 system would serve the 6494 entire subdivision, the resolution shall not exclude territory 6495 6496 from the tax levy.

The resolution shall go into immediate effect upon its6497passage, and no publication of the resolution is necessary other6498than that provided for in the notice of election.6499

When the electors of a subdivision or, in the case of a 6500 qualifying library levy for the support of a library association 6501 or private corporation, the electors of the association library 6502 district or, in the case of a 9-1-1 system levy serving only a 6503 portion of the territory of a subdivision, the electors of the 6504 portion of the subdivision in which the levy would be imposed 6505 have approved a tax levy under this section, the taxing 6506 authority of the subdivision may anticipate a fraction of the 6507 proceeds of the levy and issue anticipation notes in accordance 6508 with section 5705.191 or 5705.193 of the Revised Code. 6509

Sec. 5705.195. Within five days after the resolution is 6510 certified to the county auditor as provided by section 5705.194 6511 of the Revised Code, the auditor shall calculate and certify to 6512 the taxing authority the annual levy, expressed in dollars and 6513 cents for each one hundred dollars of valuation as well as in 6514 mills for each one dollar of valuation, throughout the life of 6515 the levy which will be required to produce the annual amount set 6516

forth in the resolution assuming that the amount of the tax list 6517 of such subdivision remains throughout the life of the levy the 6518 same as the amount of the tax list for the current year, and if 6519 this is not determined, the estimated amount submitted by the 6520 auditor to the county budget commission. When considering the 6521 6522 tangible personal property component of the tax valuation of the 6523 subdivision, the county auditor shall take into account the assessment percentages prescribed in section 5711.22 of the 6524 6525 Revised Code. The tax commissioner may issue rules, orders, or instructions directing how the assessment percentages must be 6526 utilized. 6527

Upon receiving the certification from the county auditor, 6528 if the taxing authority desires to proceed with the submission 6529 of the question it shall, not less than ninety days before the 6530 day of such election, certify its resolution, together with the 6531 amount of the average tax levy, expressed in dollars and cents 6532 for each one hundred dollars of valuation as well as in mills 6533 for each one dollar of valuation, estimated by the auditor, and 6534 the number of years the levy is to run to the board of elections 6535 of the county which shall prepare the ballots and make other 6536 necessary arrangements for the submission of the question to the 6537 voters of the subdivision. 6538

Sec. 5705.213. (A) (1) The board of education of any school 6539 district, at any time and by a vote of two-thirds of all of its 6540 members, may declare by resolution that the amount of taxes that 6541 may be raised within the ten-mill limitation will be 6542 insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the present and 6543 future requirements of the school district and that it is 6544 necessary to levy a tax in excess of that limitation for current 6545 expenses. The resolution also shall state that the question of 6546 the additional tax shall be submitted to the electors of the 6547

school district at a special election. The resolution shall 6548 specify, for each year the levy is in effect, the amount of 6549 money that the levy is proposed to raise, which may, for years 6550 after the first year the levy is made, be expressed in terms of 6551 a dollar or percentage increase over the prior year's amount. 6552 The resolution also shall specify that the purpose of the levy 6553 is for current expenses, the number of years during which the 6554 tax shall be in effect which may be for any number of years not 6555 exceeding ten, and the year in which the tax first is proposed 6556 to be levied. The resolution shall specify the date of holding 6557 the special election, which shall not be earlier than ninety-6558 five days after the adoption and certification of the resolution 6559 to the county auditor and not earlier than ninety days after 6560 certification to the board of elections. The date of the 6561 election shall be consistent with the requirements of section 6562 3501.01 of the Revised Code. 6563

(2) The board of education, by a vote of two-thirds of all
of its members, may adopt a resolution proposing to renew a tax
levied under division (A) (1) of this section. Such a resolution
shall provide for levying a tax and specify all of the
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following:

(a) That the tax shall be called and designated on theballot as a renewal levy;6570

(b) The amount of the renewal tax, which shall be no more
(b) The amount of tax levied during the last year the tax being
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(c) The number of years, not to exceed ten, that the
renewal tax will be levied, or that it will be levied for a
continuing period of time;
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election held during the ensuing year.

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(d) That the purpose of the renewal levy is for current 6577 6578 expenses; (e) Subject to the certification and notification 6579 requirements of section 5705.251 of the Revised Code, that the 6580 question of the renewal levy shall be submitted to the electors 6581 of the school district at the general election held during the 6582 last year the tax being renewed may be extended on the real and 6583 public utility property tax list and duplicate or at a special 6584

(3) A resolution adopted under division (A)(1) or (2) of 6586 this section shall go into immediate effect upon its adoption 6587 and no publication of the resolution is necessary other than 6588 that provided for in the notice of election. Immediately after 6589 its adoption, a copy of the resolution shall be certified to the 6590 county auditor of the proper county, who shall, within five 6591 days, calculate and certify to the board of education the 6592 estimated levy, for the first year, and for each subsequent year 6593 for which the tax is proposed to be in effect. The estimates 6594 shall be made both in mills for each dollar of valuation, and in 6595 dollars and cents for each one hundred dollars of valuation. In 6596 making the estimates, the auditor shall assume that the amount 6597 of the tax list remains throughout the life of the levy, the 6598 same as the tax list for the current year. If the tax list for 6599 the current year is not determined, the auditor shall base the 6600 auditor's estimates on the estimated amount of the tax list for 6601 the current year as submitted to the county budget commission. 6602

If the board desires to proceed with the submission of the6603question, it shall certify its resolution, with the estimated6604tax levy expressed in mills and dollars and cents per hundred6605dollars of valuation for each year that the tax is proposed to6606

be in effect, to the board of elections of the proper county in 6607 the manner provided by division (A) of section 5705.251 of the 6608 Revised Code. Section 5705.251 of the Revised Code shall govern 6609 the arrangements for the submission of the question and other 6610 matters concerning the election to which that section refers. 6611 The election shall be held on the date specified in the 6612 resolution. If a majority of the electors voting on the question 6613 so submitted in an election vote in favor of the tax, and if the 6614 tax is authorized to be levied for the current year, the board 6615 of education immediately may make the additional levy necessary 6616 to raise the amount specified in the resolution or a lesser 6617 amount for the purpose stated in the resolution. 6618

(4) The submission of questions to the electors under this
section is subject to the limitation on the number of election
dates established by section 5705.214 of the Revised Code.
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(B) Notwithstanding sections section 133.30 and 133.301 of 6622 the Revised Code, after the approval of a tax to be levied in 6623 the current or the succeeding year and prior to the time when 6624 the first tax collection from that levy can be made, the board 6625 of education may anticipate a fraction of the proceeds of the 6626 levy and issue anticipation notes in an amount not to exceed 6627 fifty per cent of the total estimated proceeds of the levy to be 6628 collected during the first year of the levy. The notes shall be 6629 sold as provided in Chapter 133. of the Revised Code. If 6630 anticipation notes are issued, they shall mature serially and in 6631 substantially equal amounts during each year over a period not 6632 to exceed five years; and the amount necessary to pay the 6633 interest and principal as the anticipation notes mature shall be 6634 deemed appropriated for those purposes from the levy, and 6635 appropriations from the levy by the board of education shall be 6636 limited each fiscal year to the balance available in excess of 6637

If the auditor of state has certified a deficit pursuant6639to section 3313.483 of the Revised Code, the notes authorized6640under this section may be sold in accordance with Chapter 133.6641of the Revised Code, except that the board may sell the notes6642after providing a reasonable opportunity for competitive6643bidding.6644

Sec. 5705.252. (A) If the legislative authority of a 6645 municipal corporation adopts a resolution for the purposes 6646 provided in section 306.55 of the Revised Code and division (XX) 6647 of section 5705.19 of the Revised Code and certifies the 6648 resolution to the board of elections as a combined question, the 6649 question appearing on the ballot shall read: 6650

"Shall the territory within the ..... (name of municipal 6651 corporation) be withdrawn from ..... (name of regional transit 6652 authority) and shall an additional tax be levied for the benefit 6653 of ..... (name of municipal corporation) ..... for the purpose 6654 of providing transportation services for the movement of persons 6655 within, from, or to the ..... (name of municipal corporation) 6656 at a rate not exceeding ..... mills for each one dollar of 6657 valuation, which amounts to ..... (rate expressed in dollars 6658 and cents) for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for ..... 6659 (number of years the levy is to run)?" 6660

(B) If the board of trustees of a township adopts a
resolution for the purposes provided in sections 306.55 and
5705.72 of the Revised Code and certifies the resolution to the
board of elections as a combined question, the question
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appearing on the ballot in the unincorporated area of the
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township shall read:

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"Shall the territory within the unincorporated area of 6667 ..... (name of township) be withdrawn from ..... (name of 6668 regional transit authority) and shall an additional tax be 6669 levied for the benefit of the unincorporated area of ..... 6670 (name of township) for the purpose of providing transportation 6671 services for the movement of persons within, from, or to the 6672 unincorporated area of ..... (name of township) at a rate not 6673 exceeding ..... mills for each one dollar of valuation, which 6674 amounts to ..... (rate expressed in dollars and cents) for each 6675 one hundred dollars of valuation, for ..... (number of years 6676 the levy is to run)?" 6677

Sec. 5705.29. This section does not apply to a subdivision 6678 or taxing unit for which the county budget commission has waived 6679 the requirement to adopt a tax budget pursuant to section 6680 5705.281 of the Revised Code. The tax budget shall present the 6681 following information in such detail as is prescribed by the 6682 auditor of state: 6683

(A) (1) A statement of the necessary current operating 6684 expenses for the ensuing fiscal year for each department and 6685 division of the subdivision, classified as to personal services 6686 and other expenses, and the fund from which such expenditures 6687 are to be made. Except in the case of a school district, this 6688 estimate may include a contingent expense not designated for any 6689 particular purpose, and not to exceed three per cent of the 6690 total amount of appropriations for current expenses. In the case 6691 of a school district, this estimate may include a contingent 6692 expense not designated for any particular purpose and not to 6693 exceed thirteen per cent of the total amount of appropriations 6694 for current expenses. 6695

(2) A statement of the expenditures for the ensuing fiscal 6696

year necessary for permanent improvements, exclusive of any 6697 expense to be paid from bond issues, classified as to the 6698 improvements contemplated by the subdivision and the fund from 6699 which such expenditures are to be made; 6700 6701 (3) The amounts required for the payment of final judgments; 6702 (4) A statement of expenditures for the ensuing fiscal 6703 year necessary for any purpose for which a special levy is 6704 authorized, and the fund from which such expenditures are to be 6705 6706 made; (5) Comparative statements, so far as possible, in 6707 parallel columns of corresponding items of expenditures for the 6708 current fiscal year and the two preceding fiscal years. 6709 (B) (1) An estimate of receipts from other sources than the 6710 general property tax during the ensuing fiscal year, which shall 6711 include an estimate of unencumbered balances at the end of the 6712 current fiscal year, and the funds to which such estimated 6713 6714 receipts are credited; (2) The amount each fund requires from the general 6715 property tax, which shall be the difference between the 6716 contemplated expenditure from the fund and the estimated 6717 receipts, as provided in this section. The section of the 6718 Revised Code under which the tax is authorized shall be set 6719 forth. 6720 6721 (3) Comparative statements, so far as possible, in parallel columns of taxes and other revenues for the current 6722

(C) (1) The amount required for debt charges; 6724

fiscal year and the two preceding fiscal years.

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(2) The estimated receipts from sources other than the tax 6725 levy for payment of such debt charges, including the proceeds of 6726 refunding bonds to be issued to refund bonds maturing in the 6727 next succeeding fiscal year;

(3) The net amount for which a tax levy shall be made, 6729 classified as to bonds authorized and issued prior to January 1, 6730 1922, and those authorized and issued subsequent to such date, 6731 and as to what portion of the levy will be within and what in 6732 excess of the ten-mill limitation. 6733

(D) An estimate of amounts from taxes authorized to be 6734 levied in excess of the ten-mill limitation on the tax rate, and 6735 the fund to which such amounts will be credited, together with 6736 the sections of the Revised Code under which each such tax is 6737 exempted from all limitations on the tax rate. 6738

(E) (1) A board of education may include in its budget for 6739 the fiscal year in which a levy proposed under section 5705.194, 6740 5705.199, 5705.21, 5705.213, or 5705.219, a property tax levy 6741 proposed under section 5748.09, or the original levy under 6742 section 5705.212 of the Revised Code is first extended on the 6743 tax list and duplicate an estimate of expenditures to be known 6744 as a voluntary contingency reserve balance, which shall not be 6745 greater than twenty-five per cent of the total amount of the 6746 levy estimated to be available for appropriation in such year. 6747

(2) A board of education may include in its budget for the 6748 fiscal year following the year in which a levy proposed under 6749 section 5705.194, 5705.199, 5705.21, 5705.213, or 5705.219, a 6750 property tax levy proposed under section 5748.09, or the 6751 original levy under section 5705.212 of the Revised Code is 6752 first extended on the tax list and duplicate an estimate of 6753 expenditures to be known as a voluntary contingency reserve 6754

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balance, which shall not be greater than twenty per cent of the 6755 amount of the levy estimated to be available for appropriation 6756 in such year. 6757

(3) Except as provided in division (E) (4) of this section, 6758 the full amount of any reserve balance the board includes in its 6759 budget shall be retained by the county auditor and county 6760 treasurer out of the first semiannual settlement of taxes until 6761 the beginning of the next succeeding fiscal year, and thereupon, 6762 with the depository interest apportioned thereto, it shall be 6763 turned over to the board of education, to be used for the 6764 purposes of such fiscal year. 6765

(4) A board of education, by a two-thirds vote of all 6766 members of the board, may appropriate any amount withheld as a 6767 voluntary contingency reserve balance during the fiscal year for 6768 any lawful purpose, provided that prior to such appropriation 6769 the board of education has authorized the expenditure of all 6770 amounts appropriated for contingencies under section 5705.40 of 6771 the Revised Code. Upon request by the board of education, the 6772 county auditor shall draw a warrant on the district's account in 6773 the county treasury payable to the district in the amount 6774 requested. 6775

(F) (1) A board of education may include a spending reserve 6776 in its budget for fiscal years ending on or before June 30, 6777 2002. The spending reserve shall consist of an estimate of 6778 expenditures not to exceed the district's spending reserve-6779 balance. A district's spending reserve balance is the amount by 6780 which the designated percentage of the district's estimated 6781 personal property taxes to be settled during the calendar year 6782 in which the fiscal year ends exceeds the estimated amount of 6783 6784 personal property taxes to be so settled and received by the

district during that fiscal year. Moneys from a spending reserve 6785 shall be appropriated in accordance with section 133.301 of the 6786 Revised Code. 6787 (2) For the purposes of computing a school district's 6788 spending reserve balance for a fiscal year, the designated 6789 6790 percentage shall be as follows: (G) Except as otherwise provided in this division, the 6791 county budget commission shall not reduce the taxing authority 6792 of a subdivision as a result of the creation of a reserve 6793 balance account. Except as otherwise provided in this division, 6794 the county budget commission shall not consider the amount in a 6795 reserve balance account of a township, county, or municipal 6796 corporation as an unencumbered balance or as revenue for the 6797 purposes of division (E)(3) or (4) of section 5747.51 of the 6798 Revised Code. The county budget commission may require 6799 documentation of the reasonableness of the reserve balance held 6800 in any reserve balance account. The commission shall consider 6801 any amount in a reserve balance account that it determines to be 6802 unreasonable as unencumbered and as revenue for the purposes of 6803 section 5747.51 of the Revised Code and may take such amounts 6804 into consideration when determining whether to reduce the taxing 6805 6806 authority of a subdivision. Sec. 5705.315. With respect to annexations granted on or 6807

Sec. 5705.315. With respect to annexations granted on or 6807 after the effective date of this section March 27, 2002, and 6808 during any tax year or years within which any territory annexed 6809 to a municipal corporation is part of a township, the minimum 6810 levy for the municipal corporation and township under section 6811 5705.31 of the Revised Code shall not be diminished, except that 6812 in the annexed territory and only during those tax year or 6813 years, and in order to preserve the minimum levies of 6814

overlapping subdivisions under section 5705.31 of the Revised6815Code so that the full amount of taxes within the ten-mill6816limitation may be levied to the extent possible, the minimum6817levy of the municipal corporation or township shall be the6818lowest of the following amounts:6819

(A) An amount that when added to the minimum levies of the other overlapping subdivisions equals ten mills;

(B) An amount equal to the minimum levy of the municipal
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 corporation or township, provided the total minimum levy does
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 not exceed ten mills.
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6825 The municipal corporation and the township may enter into an agreement to determine the municipal corporation's and the 6826 township's minimum levy under this section. If it cannot be 6827 determined what minimum levy is available to each and no 6828 agreement has been entered into by the municipal corporation and 6829 township, the municipal corporation and township shall each 6830 receive one-half of the millage available for use within the 68.31 portion of the territory annexed to the municipal corporation 6832 that remains part of the township. 6833

Sec. 5705.34. When the budget commission has completed its 6834 work with respect to a tax budget or other information required 6835 to be provided under section 5705.281 of the Revised Code, it 6836 shall certify its action to the taxing authority, together with 6837 an estimate by the county auditor of the rate of each tax 6838 necessary to be levied by the taxing authority within its 6839 subdivision, taxing unit, or, in the case of a qualifying 6840 library levy, within the library district or association library 6841 district, and what part thereof is in excess of, and what part 6842 within, the ten-mill tax limitation. The certification shall 6843 also indicate the date on which each tax levied by the taxing 6844

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If a taxing authority levies a tax for a fixed sum of 6846 money or to pay debt charges for the tax year for which the tax 6847 budget is prepared, and a payment on account of that tax is 6848 payable to the taxing authority for the tax year under section 6849 5709.92 or  $5709.93_{7}$  of the Revised Code, the county auditor, 6850 when estimating the rate at which the tax shall be levied in the 6851 current year, shall estimate the rate necessary to raise the 6852 required sum less the estimated amount of any such payments made 6853 for the tax year to a taxing unit for fixed-sum levies under 6854 those sections. The estimated rate shall be the rate of the levy 6855 that the budget commission certifies with its action under this 6856 section. 6857

Each taxing authority, by ordinance or resolution, shall 6858 authorize the necessary tax levies and certify them to the 6859 county auditor before the first day of October in each year, or 6860 at such later date as is approved by the tax commissioner, 6861 except that the certification by the legislative authority of 6862 the city of Cincinnati or by a board of education shall be made 6863 by the first day of April or at such later date as is approved 6864 by the commissioner, and except that a township board of park 6865 commissioners that is appointed by the board of township 6866 trustees and oversees a township park district that contains 6867 only unincorporated territory shall authorize only those taxes 6868 approved by, and only at the rate approved by, the board of 6869 township trustees as required by division (C) of section 511.27 6870 of the Revised Code. If the levying of a tax to be placed on the 6871 duplicate of the current year is approved by electors under 6872 sections 5705.01 to 5705.47 of the Revised Code; if the rate of 6873 a school district tax is increased due to the repeal of a school 6874 district income tax and property tax rate reduction at an 6875

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election held pursuant to section 5748.04 of the Revised Code; 6876 or if refunding bonds to refund all or a part of the principal 6877 of bonds payable from a tax levy for the ensuing fiscal year are 6878 issued or sold and in the process of delivery, the budget 6879 commission shall reconsider and revise its action on the budget 6880 of the subdivision or school library district for whose benefit 6881 the tax is to be levied after the returns of such election are 6882 fully canvassed, or after the issuance or sale of such refunding 6883 bonds is certified to it. 6884

Sec. 5705.35. (A) The certification of the budget 6885 commission to the taxing authority of each subdivision or taxing 6886 unit, as set forth in section 5705.34 of the Revised Code, shall 6887 show the various funds of such subdivisions other than funds to 6888 be created by transfer and shall be filed by the county budget 6889 commission with such taxing authority on or before the first day 6890 of March in the case of school districts and the city of 6891 Cincinnati and on or before the first day of September in each 6892 year in the case of all other taxing authorities. There shall be 6893 set forth on the credit side of each fund the estimated 6894 unencumbered balances and receipts, and if a tax is to be levied 6895 for such fund, the estimated revenue to be derived therefrom, 6896 the rate of the levy, and what portion thereof is within, and 6897 what in excess of, the ten-mill tax limitation, and on the debit 6898 side, the total appropriations that may be made therefrom. 6899 Subject to division  $\frac{(G)}{(F)}$  of section 5705.29 of the Revised 6900 Code, any reserve balance in an account established under 6901 section 5705.13 of the Revised Code for the purpose described in 6902 division (A)(1) of that section, and the principal of a 6903 nonexpendable trust fund established under section 5705.131 of 6904 the Revised Code and any additions to principal arising from 6905 sources other than the reinvestment of investment earnings 6906 arising from that fund, are not unencumbered balances for the6907purposes of this section. The balance in a reserve balance6908account established under section 5705.132 of the Revised Code6909is not an unencumbered balance for the purposes of this6910division.6911

There shall be attached to the certification a summary, 6912 which shall be known as the "official certificate of estimated 6913 resources," that shall state the total estimated resources of 6914 each fund of the subdivision that are available for 6915 appropriation in the fiscal year, other than funds to be created 6916 by transfer, and a statement of the amount of the total tax 6917 duplicate of the school district to be used in the collection of 6918 taxes for the following calendar year. Before the end of the 6919 fiscal year, the taxing authority of each subdivision and other 6920 taxing unit shall revise its tax budget, if one was adopted, so 6921 that the total contemplated expenditures from any fund during 6922 the ensuing fiscal year will not exceed the total appropriations 6923 that may be made from such fund, as determined by the budget 6924 commission in its certification; and such revised budget shall 6925 be the basis of the annual appropriation measure. 6926

(B) (1) Except as otherwise provided in division (B) (2) of 6927 this section, revenues Revenue from real property taxes 6928 scheduled to be settled on or before the tenth day of August and 6929 the fifteenth day of February of a fiscal year under divisions 6930 (A) and (C) of section 321.24 of the Revised Code, and revenue 6931 from taxes levied on personal property used in business-6932 scheduled to be settled on or before the thirty-first day of 6933 October and the thirtieth day of June of a fiscal year under 6934 divisions (B) and (D) of section 321.24 of the Revised Code 6935 shall not be available for appropriation by a board of education 6936 prior to the fiscal year in which such latest scheduled 6937

settlement date occurs, except that moneys advanced to the 6938 treasurer of a board of education under division (A)(2)(b) of 6939 section 321.34 of the Revised Code shall be available for 6940 appropriation in the fiscal year in which they are paid to the 6941 treasurer under such section. If the date for any settlement of 6942 taxes is extended under division (E) of section 321.24 of the 6943 Revised Code, the latest date set forth in divisions (A) to (D) 6944 of that section shall be used to determine in which fiscal year 6945 the revenues are first available for appropriation. 6946

(2) Revenues available for appropriation by a school6947district during a fiscal year may include amounts borrowed in6948that fiscal year under section 133.301 of the Revised Code in6949anticipation of the collection of taxes that are to be included6950in the settlements made under divisions (C) and (D) of section6951321.24 of the Revised Code in the ensuing fiscal year.6952

Sec. 5705.36. (A)(1) On or about the first day of each 6953 fiscal year, the fiscal officer of each subdivision and other 6954 taxing unit shall certify to the county auditor the total amount 6955 from all sources available for expenditures from each fund set 6956 up in the tax budget or, if adoption of a tax budget was waived 6957 under section 5705.281 of the Revised Code, from each fund 6958 6959 created by or on behalf of the taxing authority. The amount certified shall include any unencumbered balances that existed 6960 at the end of the preceding year, excluding any of the 6961 6962 following:

(a) Subject to division (G) (F) of section 5705.29 of the
Revised Code, any reserve balance in an account established
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under section 5705.13 of the Revised Code for the purpose
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described in division (A) (1) of that section;

(b) The principal of a nonexpendable trust fund 6967

established under section 5705.131 of the Revised Code and any 6968 additions to principal arising from sources other than the 6969 reinvestment of investment earnings arising from that fund; 6970

(c) The balance in a reserve balance account established6971under section 5705.132 of the Revised Code.6972

A school district's certification shall separately show 6973 the amount of any notes and unpaid and outstanding expenses on 6974 the preceding thirtieth day of June that are to be paid from 6975 property taxes that are to be settled during the current fiscal 6976 year under divisions (C) and (D) of section 321.24 of the 6977 Revised Code, and the amount of any spending reserve available 6978 for appropriation during the current fiscal year under section 6979 133.301 of the Revised Code. The budget commission, taking into 6980 consideration the balances and revenues to be derived from 6981 taxation and other sources, shall revise its estimate of the 6982 amounts that will be credited to each fund from such sources, 6983 and shall certify to the taxing authority of each subdivision an 6984 amended official certificate of estimated resources. 6985

(2) Subject to divisions (A) (3) and (4) of this section, 6986 upon a determination by the fiscal officer of a subdivision that 6987 the revenue to be collected by the subdivision will be greater 6988 or less than the amount included in an official certificate, the 6989 fiscal officer may certify the amount of the deficiency or 6990 excess to the commission, and if the commission determines that 6991 the fiscal officer's certification is reasonable, the commission 6992 shall certify an amended official certificate reflecting the 6993 deficiency or excess. 6994

(3) Upon a determination by the fiscal officer of a
subdivision that the revenue to be collected by the subdivision
will be greater than the amount included in an official
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certificate and the legislative authority intends to appropriate6998and expend the excess revenue, the fiscal officer shall certify6999the amount of the excess to the commission, and if the7000commission determines that the fiscal officer's certification is7001reasonable, the commission shall certify an amended official7002certificate reflecting the excess.7003

(4) Upon a determination by the fiscal officer of a 7004 subdivision that the revenue to be collected by the subdivision 7005 will be less than the amount included in an official certificate 7006 and that the amount of the deficiency will reduce available 7007 resources below the level of current appropriations, the fiscal 7008 officer shall certify the amount of the deficiency to the 7009 commission, and the commission shall certify an amended 7010 certificate reflecting the deficiency. 7011

(5) The total appropriations made during the fiscal year
from any fund shall not exceed the amount set forth as available
for expenditure from such fund in the official certificate of
route resources, or any amendment thereof, certified prior
to the making of the appropriation or supplemental
route appropriation.

7018 (B) At the time of settlement of taxes against which notes have been issued under section 133.301 or division (D) of 7019 section 133.10 of the Revised Code and at the time a tax 7020 duplicate is delivered pursuant to section 319.28 or 319.29 of 7021 the Revised Code, the county auditor shall determine whether the 7022 total amount to be distributed to each school district from such 7023 settlement or duplicate, when combined with the amounts to be 7024 distributed from any subsequent settlement, will increase or 7025 decrease the amount available for appropriation during the 7026 current fiscal year from any fund. The county auditor shall 7027

certify this finding to the budget commission, which shall7028certify an amended official certificate reflecting the finding7029or certify to the school district that no amended certificate7030needs to be issued.7031

Sec. 5705.49. Wherever in the Revised Code the taxing 7032 authorities authority of any subdivision, as defined in section-7033 5705.01 of the Revised Code, are is authorized to levy taxes on 7034 the taxable property within a subdivision, or, in the case of a 7035 qualifying library levy, within a library district or 7036 7037 association library district, such authority shall extend only to the levy of taxes on the taxable real and public utility 7038 property listed on general tax lists and duplicates provided for 7039 by section 319.28 of the Revised Code. Where the amount of 7040 indebtedness of any subdivision is limited by law with reference 7041 to the tax valuation or aggregate value of the property on the 7042 tax list and duplicate of such subdivision, such limitation 7043 shall be measured by the property listed on such general tax 7044 lists and duplicates in such subdivision. 7045

Sec. 5709.201. (A) Except as provided in divisions (C) (4) 7046 (a) and (c) of section 5709.22 and division (F) of section 7047 5709.25 of the Revised Code, a certificate issued under section 7048 5709.21, 5709.31, 5709.46, or 6111.31 of the Revised Code that 7049 was valid and in effect on the effective date of this section 7050 June 26, 2003, shall continue in effect subject to the law as it 7051 existed before that effective date. Division (C)(4)(b) of 7052 section 5709.22 of the Revised Code does not apply to any 7053 certificate issued by the tax commissioner before July 1, 2003. 7054

(B) Any applications pending on the effective date of this
 section June 26, 2003, for which a certificate had not been
 issued on or before that effective date under section 6111.31 of
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the Revised Code shall be transferred to the tax commissioner7058for further administering. Sections 5709.20 to 5709.27 of the7059Revised Code apply to such pending applications, excluding the7060requirement of section 5709.212 of the Revised Code that7061applicants must pay the fee.7062

(C) For applications pending on the effective date of this 7063 section June 26, 2003, division (D) of section 5709.25 of the 7064 Revised Code allowing the commissioner to assess any additional 7065 tax notwithstanding any other time limitations imposed by law on 7066 the denied portion of the applicant's claim applies only to tax 7067 periods that would otherwise be open to assessment on that 7068 effective date. 7069

Sec. 5709.43. (A) A municipal corporation that grants a 7070 tax exemption under section 5709.40 of the Revised Code shall 7071 establish a municipal public improvement tax increment 7072 equivalent fund into which shall be deposited service payments 7073 in lieu of taxes distributed to the municipal corporation under 7074 section 5709.42 of the Revised Code. If the legislative 7075 authority of the municipal corporation has adopted an ordinance 7076 under division (C) of section 5709.40 of the Revised Code, the 7077 municipal corporation shall establish at least one account in 7078 that fund with respect to ordinances adopted under division (B) 7079 of that section, and one account with respect to each incentive 7080 district created in an ordinance adopted under division (C) of 7081 that section. If an ordinance adopted under division (C) of 7082 section 5709.40 of the Revised Code also authorizes the use of 7083 service payments for housing renovations within the district, 7084 the municipal corporation shall establish separate accounts for 7085 the service payments designated for public infrastructure 7086 improvements and for the service payments authorized for the 7087 purpose of housing renovations. Money in an account of the 7088

municipal public improvement tax increment equivalent fund shall 7089 be used to finance the public infrastructure improvements 7090 designated in, or the housing renovations authorized by, the 7091 ordinance with respect to which the account is established; in 7092 the case of an account established with respect to an ordinance 7093 adopted under division (C) of that section, money in the account 7094 shall be used to finance the public infrastructure improvements 7095 designated, or the housing renovations authorized, for each 7096 incentive district created in the ordinance. Money in an account 7097 shall not be used to finance or support housing renovations that 7098 take place after the incentive district has expired. The 7099 municipal corporation also may deposit into any of those 7100 accounts municipal income tax revenue that has been designated 7101 by ordinance to finance the public infrastructure improvements 7102 7103 and housing renovations.

(B) A municipal corporation may establish an urban 7104 redevelopment tax increment equivalent fund, by resolution or 7105 ordinance of its legislative authority, into which shall be 7106 deposited service payments in lieu of taxes distributed to the 7107 municipal corporation by the county treasurer as provided in 7108 section 5709.42 of the Revised Code for improvements exempt from 7109 taxation pursuant to an ordinance adopted under section 5709.41 7110 of the Revised Code. Moneys deposited in the urban redevelopment 7111 tax increment equivalent fund shall be used for such purposes as 7112 are authorized in the resolution or ordinance establishing the 7113 fund. The municipal corporation also may deposit into the urban 7114 redevelopment tax increment equivalent fund municipal income tax 7115 revenue that has been dedicated to fund any of the purposes for 7116 which the fund is established. 7117

(C) (1) (a) A municipal corporation may distribute money in7118the municipal public improvement tax increment equivalent fund7119

or the urban redevelopment tax increment equivalent fund to any 7120 7121 school district in which the exempt property is located, in an amount not to exceed the amount of real property taxes that such 7122 school district would have received from the improvement if it 7123 7124 were not exempt from taxation, or use money in either or both funds to finance specific public improvements benefiting the 7125 school district. The resolution or ordinance establishing the 7126 fund shall set forth the percentage of such maximum amount that 7127 will be distributed to any affected school district or used to 7128 7129 finance specific public improvements benefiting the school district. 7130

(b) A municipal corporation also may distribute money in
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 the municipal public improvement tax increment equivalent fund
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 or the urban redevelopment tax increment equivalent fund as
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 follows:

(i) To a board of county commissioners, in the amount that
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(ii) To a county in accordance with section 5709.913 ofthe Revised Code.7139

7140 (2) Money from an account in a municipal public improvement tax increment equivalent fund or from an urban 7141 redevelopment tax increment equivalent fund may be distributed 7142 under division (C)(1)(b) of this section, regardless of the date 7143 7144 a resolution or an ordinance was adopted under section 5709.40 or 5709.41 of the Revised Code that prompted the establishment 7145 of the account or the establishment of the urban redevelopment 7146 tax increment equivalent fund, even if the resolution or 7147 ordinance was adopted prior to the effective date of this 7148 amendment March 30, 2006. 7149

(D) Any incidental surplus remaining in the municipal
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 public improvement tax increment equivalent fund or an account
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 of that fund, or in the urban redevelopment tax increment
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 equivalent fund, upon dissolution of the account or fund shall
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 be transferred to the general fund of the municipal corporation.

# Sec. 5709.48. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Regional transportation improvement project" has thesame meaning as in section 5595.01 of the Revised Code.7157

(2) "Improvements" means the increase in the assessed
value of any real property that would first appear on the tax
value of real and public utility property after the
effective date of the resolution adopted under this section were
it not for the exemption granted by that resolution.

(B) For the purposes described in division (A) of section 7163 5595.06 of the Revised Code, the governing board of a regional 7164 transportation improvement project that was undertaken pursuant 7165 to section 5595.02 of the Revised Code before the effective date 7166 of the amendment of this section by S.B. 8 of the 132nd general 7167 assembly March 23, 2018, may, by resolution, create a 7168 transportation financing district and declare improvements to 7169 parcels within the district to be a public purpose and exempt 7170 from taxation. 7171

(C) A transportation financing district may include 7172 territory in more than one county as long as each such county is 7173 a participant in the regional transportation improvement project 7174 funded by the district. A district shall not include parcels 7175 used primarily for residential purposes. A district shall not 7176 include any parcel that is currently exempt from taxation under 7177 this section or section 5709.40, 5709.41, 5709.45, 5709.73, or 7178

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5709.77 of the Revised Code. The governing board may designate 7179 parcels within the boundaries of a district that are not to be 7180 included in the district. The governing board may designate 7181 noncontiguous parcels located outside the boundaries of the 7182 district that are to be included in the district. 7183

The governing board may adopt more than one resolution7184under division (B) of this section. A single such resolution may7185create more than one transportation financing district.7186

(D) A resolution creating a transportation financing7187district shall specify all of the following:7188

| (1)       | Α | description | of | the | territory | included | in | the | 7189 |
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| district; |   |             |    |     |           |          |    |     | 7190 |

(2) The county treasurer's permanent parcel numberassociated with each parcel included in the district;7192

(3) The percentage of improvements to be exempted from
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taxation and the duration of the exemption, which shall not
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exceed the remaining number of years the cooperative agreement
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for the regional transportation improvement district, described
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under section 5595.03 of the Revised Code, is in effect;
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(4) A plan for the district that describes the principal
purposes and goals to be served by the district and explains how
the use of service payments provided for by section 5709.49 of
the Revised Code will economically benefit owners of property
vithin the district.

(E) (1) Except as otherwise provided in divisions (E) (2)
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and (3) of this section, the governing board, before adopting a
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resolution under division (B) of this section, shall notify and
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obtain the approval of each subdivision and taxing unit that
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levies a property tax within the territory of the proposed
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transportation financing district. A subdivision or taxing 7208 unit's approval or disapproval of the proposed district shall be 7209 in the form of an ordinance or resolution. The governing board 7210 may negotiate an agreement with a subdivision or taxing unit 7211 providing for compensation equal in value to a percentage of the 7212 amount of taxes exempted or some other mutually agreeable 7213 compensation. 7214

7215 (2) A subdivision or taxing unit may adopt an ordinance or resolution waiving its right to approve or receive notice of 7216 transportation financing districts proposed under this section. 7217 If a subdivision or taxing unit has adopted such an ordinance or 7218 resolution, the terms of that ordinance or resolution supersede 7219 the requirements of division (E)(1) of this section. The 7220 7221 governing board may negotiate an agreement with a subdivision or taxing unit providing for some mutually agreeable compensation 7222 in exchange for the subdivision or taxing unit adopting such an 7223 ordinance or resolution. If a subdivision or taxing unit has 7224 adopted such an ordinance or resolution, it shall certify a copy 7225 to the governing board. If the subdivision or taxing unit 7226 rescinds such an ordinance or resolution, it shall certify 7227 notice of the rescission to the governing board. 7228

(3) The governing board need not obtain the approval of a 7229
subdivision or taxing unit if the governing board agrees to 7230
compensate that subdivision or unit for the full amount of taxes 7231
exempted under the resolution creating the district. 7232

(F) After complying with division (E) of this section, the
governing board shall notify and obtain the approval of every
real property owner whose property is included in the proposed
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transportation financing district.

(G)(1) Upon adopting a resolution creating a

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transportation financing district, the governing board shall 7238 send a copy of the resolution and documentation sufficient to 7239 prove that the requirements of divisions (E) and (F) of this 7240 section have been met to the director of development services. 7241 The director shall evaluate the resolution and documentation to 7242 determine if the governing board has fully complied with the 7243 7244 requirements of this section. If the director approves the resolution, the director shall send notice of approval to the 7245 governing board. If the director does not approve the 7246 7247 resolution, the director shall send a notice of denial to the governing board that includes the reason or reasons for the 7248 denial. If the director does not make a determination within 7249 ninety days after receiving a resolution under this section, the 7250 director is deemed to have approved the resolution. No 7251 7252 resolution creating a transportation financing district is effective without actual or constructive approval by the 7253 director under this section. 7254

(2) An exemption from taxation granted under this section 7255 commences with the tax year specified in the resolution so long 7256 as the year specified in the resolution commences after the 7257 7258 effective date of the resolution. If the resolution specifies a year commencing before the effective date of the resolution or 7259 specifies no year whatsoever, the exemption commences with the 7260 tax year in which an exempted improvement first appears on the 7261 tax list and that commences after the effective date of the 7262 resolution. 7263

(3) Except as otherwise provided in this division, the
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exemption ends on the date specified in the resolution as the
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date the improvement ceases to be a public purpose or the
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regional transportation improvement project funded by the
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service payments dissolves under section 5595.13 of the Revised
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Code, whichever occurs first. Exemptions shall be claimed and7269allowed in the same manner as in the case of other real property7270exemptions. If an exemption status changes during a year, the7271procedure for the apportionment of the taxes for that year is7272the same as in the case of other changes in tax exemption status7273during the year.7274

(H) The resolution creating a transportation financing
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district may be amended at any time by majority vote of the
governing board and with the approval of the director of
development services obtained in the same manner as approval of
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the original resolution.

Sec. 5709.53. (A) A solar, wind, or hydrothermal energy 7280 system on which construction or installation is completed during 7281 the period from the effective date of this section August 14, 7282 1979, through December 31, 1985, that meets the guidelines 7283 established under division (B) of section 1551.20 of the Revised 7284 Code is exempt from real property taxation. 7285

(B) Any fixture or other real property included in an
energy facility with an aggregate nameplate capacity of two
hundred fifty kilowatts or less is exempt from taxation if
construction or installation is completed on or after January 1,
2010.

As used in division (B) of this section, "energy facility" 7291 and "nameplate capacity" have the same meanings as in section 7292 5727.01 of the Revised Code. 7293

 Sec. 5709.61. As used in sections 5709.61 to 5709.69 of
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 the Revised Code:
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(A) "Enterprise zone" or "zone" means any of thefollowing:7297

(1) An area with a single continuous boundary designated 7298 in the manner set forth in section 5709.62 or 5709.63 of the 7299 Revised Code and certified by the director of development as 7300 having a population of at least four thousand according to the 7301 best and most recent data available to the director and having 7302 at least two of the following characteristics: 7303 (a) It is located in a municipal corporation defined by 7304 the United States office of management and budget as a principal 7305 city of a metropolitan statistical area; 7306 (b) It is located in a county designated as being in the 7307 "Appalachian region" under the "Appalachian Regional Development 7308 Act of 1965," 79 Stat. 5, 40 App. U.S.C.A. 403, as amended; 7309 7310 (c) Its average rate of unemployment, during the most recent twelve-month period for which data are available, is 7311 equal to at least one hundred twenty-five per cent of the 7312 average rate of unemployment for the state of Ohio for the same 7313 period; 7314 (d) There is a prevalence of commercial or industrial 7315 structures in the area that are vacant or demolished, or are 7316 7317 vacant and the taxes charged thereon are delinguent, and certification of the area as an enterprise zone would likely 7318 result in the reduction of the rate of vacant or demolished 7319 structures or the rate of tax delinguency in the area; 7320 (e) The population of all census tracts in the area, 7321

according to the federal census of 2000, decreased by at least 7322 ten per cent between the years 1980 and 2000; 7323

(f) At least fifty-one per cent of the residents of the7324area have incomes of less than eighty per cent of the median7325income of residents of the municipal corporation or municipal7326

corporations in which the area is located, as determined in the 7327 same manner specified under section 119(b) of the "Housing and 7328 Community Development Act of 1974," 88 Stat. 633, 42 U.S.C. 7329 5318, as amended; 7330

(g) The area contains structures previously used for 7331 industrial purposes, but currently not so used due to age, 7332 obsolescence, deterioration, relocation of the former occupant's 7333 operations, or cessation of operations resulting from 7334 unfavorable economic conditions either generally or in a 7335 specific economic sector; 7336

(h) It is located within one or more adjacent city, local, 7337 or exempted village school districts, the income-weighted tax 7338 capacity of each of which is less than seventy per cent of the 7339 average of the income-weighted tax capacity of all city, local, 7340 or exempted village school districts in the state according to 7341 the most recent data available to the director from the 7342 department of taxation. 7343

The director of development shall adopt rules in7344accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code establishing7345conditions constituting the characteristics described in7346divisions (A) (1) (d), (g), and (h) of this section.7347

If an area could not be certified as an enterprise zone 7348 unless it satisfied division (A)(1)(g) of this section, the 7349 legislative authority may enter into agreements in that zone 7350 under section 5709.62, 5709.63, or 5709.632 of the Revised Code 7351 only if such agreements result in the development of the 7352 facilities described in that division, the parcel of land on 7353 which such facilities are situated, or adjacent parcels. The 7354 director of development annually shall review all agreements in 7355 such zones to determine whether the agreements have resulted in 7356

| such development; if the director determines that the agreements | 7357 |
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| have not resulted in such development, the director immediately  | 7358 |
| shall revoke certification of the zone and notify the            | 7359 |
| legislative authority of such revocation. Any agreements entered | 7360 |
| into prior to revocation under this paragraph shall continue in  | 7361 |
| effect for the period provided in the agreement.                 | 7362 |
| (2) An area with a single continuous boundary designated         | 7363 |
| in the manner set forth in section 5709.63 of the Revised Code   | 7364 |
| and certified by the director of development as having all of    | 7365 |
| the following characteristics:                                   | 7366 |
| (a) Being located within a county that contains a                | 7367 |
| population of three hundred thousand or less;                    | 7368 |
| (b) Having a population of at least one thousand according       | 7369 |
| to the best and most recent data available to the director;      | 7370 |
| (c) Having at least two of the characteristics described         | 7371 |
| in divisions (A)(1)(b) to (h) of this section.                   | 7372 |
| (3) An area with a single continuous boundary designated         | 7373 |
| in the manner set forth under division (A)(1) of section         | 7374 |
| 5709.632 of the Revised Code and certified by the director of    | 7375 |
| development as having a population of at least four thousand, or | 7376 |
| under division (A)(2) of that section and certified as having a  | 7377 |
| population of at least one thousand, according to the best and   | 7378 |
| most recent data available to the director.                      | 7379 |
| (B) "Enterprise" means any form of business organization         | 7380 |
| including, but not limited to, any partnership, sole             | 7381 |
| proprietorship, or corporation, including an S corporation as    | 7382 |

defined in section 1361 of the Internal Revenue Code and any7383corporation that is majority work-owned worker-owned either7384directly through the ownership of stock or indirectly through7385

participation in an employee stock ownership plan.

(C) "Facility" means an enterprise's place of business in 7387 a zone, including land, buildings, machinery, equipment, and 7388 other materials, except inventory, used in business. "Facility" 7389 includes land, buildings, machinery, production and station 7390 equipment, other equipment, and other materials, except 7391 inventory, used in business to generate electricity, provided 7392 that, for purposes of sections 5709.61 to 5709.69 of the Revised 7393 Code, the value of the property at such a facility shall be 7394 reduced by the value, if any, that is not apportioned under 7395 section 5727.15 of the Revised Code to the taxing district in 7396 which the facility is physically located. In the case of such a 7397 facility that is physically located in two adjacent taxing 7398 districts, the property located in each taxing district 7399 constitutes a separate facility. 7400

"Facility" does not include any portion of an enterprise's 7401 place of business used primarily for making retail sales unless 7402 the place of business is located in an impacted city as defined 7403 in section 1728.01 of the Revised Code or the board of education 7404 of the city, local, or exempted village school district within 7405 the territory of which the place of business is located adopts a 7406 resolution waiving the exclusion of retail facilities under 7407 section 5709.634 of the Revised Code. 7408

(D) "Vacant facility" means a facility that has been 7409 vacant for at least ninety days immediately preceding the date 7410 on which an agreement is entered into under section 5709.62 or 7411 5709.63 of the Revised Code. 7412

(E) "Expand" means to make expenditures to add land, 7413 buildings, machinery, equipment, or other materials, except 7414 inventory, to a facility that equal at least ten per cent of the 7415

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| market value of the facility prior to such expenditures, as      | 7416 |
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| determined for the purposes of local property taxation.          | 7417 |
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| (F) "Renovate" means to make expenditures to alter or            | 7418 |
| repair a facility that equal at least fifty per cent of the      | 7419 |
| market value of the facility prior to such expenditures, as      | 7420 |
| determined for the purposes of local property taxation.          | 7421 |
| (G) "Occupy" means to make expenditures to alter or repair       | 7422 |
| a vacant facility equal to at least twenty per cent of the       | 7423 |
| market value of the facility prior to such expenditures, as      | 7424 |
| determined for the purposes of local property taxation.          | 7425 |
| (H) "Project site" means all or any part of a facility           | 7426 |
| that is newly constructed, expanded, renovated, or occupied by   | 7427 |
| an enterprise.   | 7428 |
| (I) "Project" means any undertaking by an enterprise to          | 7429 |
| establish a facility or to improve a project site by expansion,  | 7430 |
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| renovation, or occupancy.  | 7431 |
| (J) "Position" means the position of one full-time               | 7432 |
| employee performing a particular set of tasks and duties.        | 7433 |
| (K) "Full-time employee" means an individual who is              | 7434 |
| employed for consideration by an enterprise for at least thirty- | 7435 |
| five hours a week, or who renders any other standard of service  | 7436 |
| generally accepted by custom or specified by contract as full-   | 7437 |
| time employment.   | 7438 |
| (I) "Now omployee" means a full time employee first              | 7420 |
| (L) "New employee" means a full-time employee first              | 7439 |
| employed by an enterprise at a facility that is a project site   | 7440 |

after the enterprise enters an agreement under section 5709.627441or 5709.63 of the Revised Code. "New employee" does not include7442an employee if, immediately prior to being employed by the7443enterprise, the employee was employed by an enterprise that is a7444

| related member or predecessor enterprise of that enterprise.     | 7445 |
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| (M) "Unemployed person" means any person who is totally          | 7446 |
| unemployed in this state, as that term is defined in division    | 7447 |
| (M) of section 4141.01 of the Revised Code, for at least ten     | 7448 |
| consecutive weeks immediately preceding that person's employment | 7449 |
| at a facility that is a project site, or who is so unemployed    | 7450 |
| for at least twenty-six of the fifty-two weeks immediately       | 7451 |
| preceding that person's employment at such a facility.           | 7452 |
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(N) "JTPA eligible employee" means any individual who is
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eligible for employment or training under the "Job Training
Partnership Act," 96 Stat. 1324 (1982), 29 U.S.C. 1501, as
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amended.

(O) "First used in business" means that the property 7457 referred to has not been used in business in this state by the 7458 enterprise that owns it, or by an enterprise that is a related 7459 member or predecessor enterprise of such an enterprise, other 7460 than as inventory, prior to being used in business at a facility 7461 as the result of a project. 7462

(P) "Training program" means any noncredit training 7463 program or course of study that is offered by any state college 7464 or university; university branch district; community college; 7465 technical college; nonprofit college or university certified 7466 under section 1713.02 of the Revised Code; school district; 7467 joint vocational school district; school registered and 7468 authorized to offer programs under section 3332.05 of the 7469 Revised Code; an entity administering any federal, state, or 7470 local adult education and training program; or any enterprise; 7471 and that meets all of the following requirements: 7472

(1) It is approved by the director of development; 7473

(2) It is established or operated to satisfy the need of a
 particular industry or enterprise for skilled or semi-skilled
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 employees;
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(3) An individual is required to complete the course or7477program before filling a position at a project site.7478

(Q) "Development" means to engage in the process of 7479 clearing and grading land, making, installing, or constructing 7480 water distribution systems, sewers, sewage collection systems, 7481 steam, gas, and electric lines, roads, curbs, gutters, 7482 sidewalks, storm drainage facilities, and construction of other 7483 facilities or buildings equal to at least fifty per cent of the 7484 market value of the facility prior to the expenditures, as 7485 determined for the purposes of local property taxation. 7486

(R) "Large manufacturing facility" means a single Ohio
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(1) A single Ohio manufacturing facility employed an
average of at least one thousand individuals during the five
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calendar years preceding entering into such an agreement if one7495
fifth of the sum of the number of employees employed on the
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highest employment day during each of the five calendar years
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equals or exceeds one thousand.

(2) The highest employment day is the day or days during a
calendar year on which the number of employees employed at a
single Ohio manufacturing facility was greater than on any other
day during the calendar year.

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(S) "Business cycle" means the cycle of business activity 7503 usually regarded as passing through alternating stages of 7504 prosperity and depression. 7505

(T) "Making retail sales" means the effecting of point-of-7506 final-purchase transactions at a facility open to the consuming 7507 public, wherein one party is obligated to pay the price and the 7508 other party is obligated to provide a service or to transfer 7509 title to or possession of the item sold. 7510

(U) "Environmentally contaminated" means that hazardous 7511 substances exist at a facility under conditions that have caused 7512 or would cause the facility to be identified as contaminated by 7513 the state or federal environmental protection agency. These may 7514 include facilities located at sites identified in the master 7515 sites list or similar database maintained by the state 7516 environmental protection agency if the sites have been 7517 investigated by the agency and found to be contaminated. 7518

(V) "Remediate" means to make expenditures to clean up an 7519 environmentally contaminated facility so that it is no longer 7520 environmentally contaminated that equal at least ten per cent of 7521 7522 the real property market value of the facility prior to such expenditures as determined for the purposes of property 7523 taxation. 7524

(W) "Related member" has the same meaning as defined in 7525 section 5733.042 of the Revised Code without regard to division 7526 (B) of that section, except that it is used with respect to an 7527 enterprise rather than a taxpayer. 7528

(X) "Predecessor enterprise" means an enterprise from 7529 which the assets or equity of another enterprise has been 7530 transferred, which transfer resulted in the full or partial 7531

nonrecognition of gain or loss, or resulted in a carryover 7532 basis, both as determined by rule adopted by the tax 7533 commissioner. 7534

(Y) "Successor enterprise" means an enterprise to which
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 the assets or equity of another enterprise has been transferred,
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 which transfer resulted in the full or partial nonrecognition of
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 gain or loss, or resulted in a carryover basis, both as
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 determined by rule adopted by the tax commissioner.

Sec. 5709.80. (A) The board of county commissioners of a 7540 county that receives service payments in lieu of taxes under 7541 section 5709.79 of the Revised Code shall establish a 7542 redevelopment tax equivalent fund into which those payments 7543 shall be deposited. Separate accounts shall be established in 7544 the fund for each resolution adopted by the board of county 7545 commissioners under section 5709.78 of the Revised Code. If the 7546 board of county commissioners has adopted a resolution under 7547 division (B) of that section, the county shall establish an 7548 account for each incentive district created in that resolution. 7549 If a resolution adopted under division (B) of section 5709.78 of 7550 the Revised Code also authorizes the use of service payments for 7551 housing renovations within the incentive district, the county 7552 7553 shall establish separate accounts for the service payments designated for public infrastructure improvements and for the 7554 7555 service payments authorized for the purpose of housing renovations. 7556

(B) Moneys deposited into each account of the fund shall
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be used by the county to pay the cost of constructing or
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repairing the public infrastructure improvements designated in,
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each incentive district for which the account is established, to
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pay the interest on and principal of bonds or notes issued under7562division (B) of section 307.082 or division (A) of section75635709.81 of the Revised Code, or for the purposes pledged under7564division (B) of section 5709.81 of the Revised Code. Money in an7565account shall not be used to finance or support housing7566renovations that take place after the incentive district has7567expired.7568

(C) (1) (a) The board of county commissioners may distribute 7569 money in an account to any school district in which the exempt 7570 7571 property is located in an amount not to exceed the amount of 7572 real property taxes that such school district would have received from the improvement if it were not exempt from 7573 taxation. The resolution under which an account is established 7574 shall set forth the percentage of such maximum amount that will 7575 be distributed to any affected school district. 7576

(b) A board of county commissioners also may distribute7577money in such an account as follows:7578

(i) To a board of township trustees or legislative
authority of a municipal corporation, as applicable, in the
amount that is owed to the board of township trustees or
legislative authority pursuant to division (D) of section
5709.78 of the Revised Code;

(ii) To a township in accordance with section 5709.914 of 7584 the Revised Code. 7585

(2) Money from an account in the redevelopment tax 7586 equivalent fund may be distributed under division (C) (1) (b) of 7587 this section, regardless of the date a resolution was adopted 7588 under section 5709.78 of the Revised Code that prompted the 7589 establishment of the account, even if the resolution was adopted 7590

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| prior to the effective date of this amendment March 30, 2006.    | 7591 |
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| (D) An account dissolves upon fulfillment of the purposes        | 7592 |
| for which money in the account may be used. An incidental        | 7593 |
| surplus remaining in an account upon its dissolution shall be    | 7594 |
| transferred to the general fund of the county.                   | 7595 |
| Sec. 5709.85. (A) The legislative authority of a county,         | 7596 |
| township, or municipal corporation that grants an exemption from | 7597 |
| taxation under Chapter 725. or 1728. or under section 3735.67,   | 7598 |
| 5709.28, 5709.40, 5709.41, 5709.45, 5709.62, 5709.63, 5709.632,  | 7599 |
| 5709.73, or 5709.78 of the Revised Code shall create a tax       | 7600 |
| incentive review council. The council shall consist of the       | 7601 |
| following members:   | 7602 |
| (1) In the case of a municipal corporation eligible to           | 7603 |
| designate a zone under section 5709.62 <u>or 5709.632</u> of the | 7604 |
| Revised Code, the chief executive officer or that officer's      | 7605 |
| designee; a member of the legislative authority of the municipal | 7606 |
| corporation, appointed by the president of the legislative       | 7607 |
| authority or, if the chief executive officer of the municipal    | 7608 |
| corporation is the president, appointed by the president pro     | 7609 |
| tempore of the legislative authority; the county auditor or the  | 7610 |
| county auditor's designee; the chief financial officer of the    | 7611 |
| municipal corporation or that officer's designee; an individual  | 7612 |
| appointed by the board of education of each city, local,         | 7613 |
| exempted village, and joint vocational school district to which  | 7614 |
| the instrument granting the exemption applies; and two members   | 7615 |
| of the public appointed by the chief executive officer of the    | 7616 |
| municipal corporation with the concurrence of the legislative    | 7617 |
| authority. At least four members of the council shall be         | 7618 |
| residents of the municipal corporation, and at least one of the  | 7619 |

two public members appointed by the chief executive officer

shall be a minority. As used in division (A)(1) of this section,7621a "minority" is an individual who is African-American, Hispanic,7622or Native American.7623

(2) In the case of a county or a municipal corporation 7624 that is not eligible to designate a zone under section 5709.62 7625 or 5709.632 of the Revised Code, three members appointed by the 7626 board of county commissioners; two members from each municipal 7627 corporation to which the instrument granting the tax exemption 7628 applies, appointed by the chief executive officer with the 7629 concurrence of the legislative authority of the respective 7630 7631 municipal corporations; two members of each township to which the instrument granting the tax exemption applies, appointed by 7632 the board of township trustees of the respective townships; the 7633 county auditor or the county auditor's designee; and an 7634 individual appointed by the board of education of each city, 7635 local, exempted village, and joint vocational school district to 7636 which the instrument granting the tax exemption applies. At 7637 least two members of the council shall be residents of the 7638 municipal corporations or townships to which the instrument 7639 granting the tax exemption applies. 7640

(3) In the case of a township in which improvements are 7641 declared a public purpose under section 5709.73 of the Revised 7642 Code, the board of township trustees; the county auditor or the 7643 county auditor's designee; and an individual appointed by the 7644 board of education of each city, local, exempted village, and 7645 joint vocational school district to which the instrument 7646 granting the exemption applies. 7647

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council, the council shall select a vice-chairperson. Attendance7651by a majority of the members of the council constitutes a quorum7652to conduct the business of the council.7653

(C) (1) Annually, the tax incentive review council shall 7654 review all agreements granting exemptions from property taxation 7655 under Chapter 725. or 1728. or under section 3735.671, 5709.28, 7656 5709.62, 5709.63, or 5709.632 of the Revised Code, and any 7657 performance or audit reports required to be submitted pursuant 7658 to those agreements. The review shall include agreements 7659 7660 granting such exemptions that were entered into prior to July 22, 1994, that continue to be in force and applicable to the 7661 current year's property taxes. 7662

With respect to each agreement, other than an agreement7663entered into under section 5709.28 of the Revised Code, the7664council shall determine whether the owner of the exempted7665property has complied with the agreement, and may take into7666consideration any fluctuations in the business cycle unique to7667the owner's business.7668

With respect to an agreement entered into under section 7669 5709.28 of the Revised Code, the council shall consist of the 7670 members described in division (A) (2) of this section and shall 7671 7672 determine whether the agreement complies with the requirements of section 5709.28 of the Revised Code and whether a withdrawal, 7673 removal, or conversion of land from an agricultural security 7674 area established under Chapter 931. of the Revised Code has 7675 occurred in a manner that makes the exempted property no longer 7676 eligible for the exemption. 7677

On the basis of the determinations, on or before the first 7678 day of September of each year, the council shall submit to the 7679 legislative authority written recommendations for continuation, 7680

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modification, or cancellation of each agreement.

(2) Annually, the tax incentive review council shall 7682 review all exemptions from property taxation resulting from the 7683 declaration of public purpose improvements pursuant to section 7684 5709.40, 5709.41, 5709.45, 5709.73, or 5709.78 of the Revised 7685 Code. The review shall include such exemptions that were granted 7686 prior to July 22, 1994, that continue to be in force and 7687 applicable to the current year's property taxes. With respect to 7688 each improvement for which an exemption is granted, the council 7689 7690 shall determine the increase in the true value of parcels of real property on which improvements have been undertaken as a 7691 result of the exemption; the value of improvements exempted from 7692 taxation as a result of the exemption; and the number of new 7693 employees or employees retained on the site of the improvement 7694 as a result of the exemption. 7695

Upon the request of a tax incentive review council, the 7696 county auditor, the housing officer appointed pursuant to 7697 section 3735.66 of the Revised Code, the owner of a new or 7698 remodeled structure or improvement, and the legislative 7699 authority of the county, township, or municipal corporation 7700 granting the exemption shall supply the council with any 7701 information reasonably necessary for the council to make the 7702 determinations required under division (C) of this section, 7703 including returns or reports filed pursuant to sections 5711.02, 7704 5711.13, and 5727.08 of the Revised Code. 7705

(D) Annually, the tax incentive review council shall
review the compliance of each recipient of a tax exemption under
Chapter 725. or 1728. or section 3735.67, 5709.40, 5709.41,
5709.45, 5709.62, 5709.63, 5709.632, 5709.73, or 5709.78 of the
Revised Code with the nondiscriminatory hiring policies
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developed by the county, township, or municipal corporation7711under section 5709.832 of the Revised Code. Upon the request of7712the council, the recipient shall provide the council any7713information necessary to perform its review. On the basis of its7714review, the council may submit to the legislative authority7715written recommendations for enhancing compliance with the7716nondiscriminatory hiring policies.7717

(E) A legislative authority that receives from a tax
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incentive review council written recommendations under division
(C) (1) or (D) of this section shall, within sixty days after
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receipt, hold a meeting and vote to accept, reject, or modify
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all or any portion of the recommendations.
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(F) A tax incentive review council may request from the 7723 recipient of a tax exemption under Chapter 725. or 1728. or 7724 section 3735.67, 5709.28, 5709.40, 5709.41, 5709.45, 5709.62, 7725 5709.63, 5709.632, 5709.73, or 5709.78 of the Revised Code any 7726 information reasonably necessary for the council to perform its 7727 review under this section. The request shall be in writing and 7728 shall be sent to the recipient by certified mail. Within ten 7729 days after receipt of the request, the recipient shall provide 7730 to the council the information requested. 7731

Sec. 5709.93. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Taxes charged and payable" means taxes charged and
payable after the reduction required by section 319.301 of the
Revised Code but before the reductions required by sections
319.302 and 323.152 of the Revised Code.
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(2) "Threshold per cent" means two per cent for fiscal
year 2016; and, for fiscal year 2017 and thereafter, the sum of
the prior year's threshold per cent plus two percentage points.
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(3) "Public library" means a county, municipal, school
district, or township public library that receives the proceeds
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of a tax levied under section 5705.23 of the Revised Code.
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(4) "Local taxing unit" means a subdivision or taxing
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unit, as defined in section 5705.01 of the Revised Code, a park
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district created under Chapter 1545. of the Revised Code, or a
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township park district established under section 511.23 of the
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Revised Code, but excludes school districts and joint vocational
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school districts.

(5) "Municipal current expense allocation" means the sum
of the payments received by a municipal corporation in calendar
year 2014 for current expense levy losses under division (A) (1)
(e) (ii) of section 5727.86 and division (A) (1) (c) (ii) of section
5751.22 of the Revised Code as they existed at that time.

(6) "Current expense allocation" means the sum of the
payments received by a local taxing unit or public library in
calendar year 2014 for current expense levy losses under
division (A) (1) of section 5727.86 and divisions (A) (1) and (2)
of section 5751.22 of the Revised Code as they existed at that
time, less any reduction required under division (B) (2) of this
section.

(7) "TPP inside millage debt levy loss" means payments
made to local taxing units in calendar year 2014 under division
(A) (3) of section 5751.22 of the Revised Code as that section
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existed at that time.

(8) "S.B. 3 inside millage debt levy loss" means payments
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made to local taxing units in calendar year 2014 under section
(A) (4) of section 5727.86 of the Revised Code as that section
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existed at that time.

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(9) "Qualifying levy" means a levy for which payment was
made in calendar year 2014 under division (A) (1) of section
5727.86 and divisions (A) (1) and (2) of section 5751.22 of the
Revised Code as they existed at that time.
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(10) "Total resources," in the case of county mental 7773 health and disability related functions, means the sum of the 7774 amounts in divisions (A) (10) (a) and (b) of this section less any 7775 reduction required under division (B) (1) of this section. 7776

(a) The sum of the payments received by the county for
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mental health and developmental disability related functions in
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calendar year 2014 under division (A) (1) of section 5727.86 and
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division (A) (1) of section 5751.22 of the Revised Code as they
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existed at that time;

(b) With respect to taxes levied by the county for mental 7782 health and developmental disability related purposes, the taxes 7783 charged and payable for such purposes against all property on 7784 the tax list of real and public utility property for tax year 7785 2014. 7786

(11) "Total resources," in the case of county senior
services related functions, means the sum of the amounts in
divisions (A) (11) (a) and (b) of this section less any reduction
required under division (B) (1) of this section.

(a) The sum of the payments received by the county for
senior services related functions in calendar year 2014 under
division (A) (1) of section 5727.86 and division (A) (1) of
section 5751.22 of the Revised Code as they existed at that
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(b) With respect to taxes levied by the county for senior 7796 services related purposes, the taxes charged and payable for 7797

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such purposes against all property on the tax list of real and 7798 public utility property for tax year 2014. 7799 (12) "Total resources," in the case of county children's 7800 services related functions, means the sum of the amounts in 7801 divisions (A)(12)(a) and (b) of this section less any reduction 7802 required under division (B)(1) of this section. 7803 (a) The sum of the payments received by the county for 7804 children's services related functions in calendar year 2014 7805 under division (A)(1) of section 5727.86 and division (A)(1) of 7806 section 5751.22 of the Revised Code as they existed at that 7807 time; 7808 (b) With respect to taxes levied by the county for 7809 children's services related purposes, the taxes charged and 7810 payable for such purposes against all property on the tax list 7811 of real and public utility property for tax year 2014. 7812 (13) "Total resources," in the case of county public 7813 health related functions, means the sum of the amounts in 7814 divisions (A) (13) (a) and (b) of this section less any reduction 7815 required under division (B)(1) of this section. 7816 (a) The sum of the payments received by the county for 7817 public health related functions in calendar year 2014 under 7818 division (A)(1) of section 5727.86 and division (A)(1) of 7819 section 5751.22 of the Revised Code as they existed at that 7820 time: 7821 (b) With respect to taxes levied by the county for public 7822

health related purposes, the taxes charged and payable for such 7823
purposes against all property on the tax list of real and public 7824
utility property for tax year 2014. 7825

(14) "Total resources," in the case of all county 7826

functions not included in divisions (A) (10) to (13) of this7827section, means the sum of the amounts in divisions (A) (14) (a) to7828(e) of this section less any reduction required under division7829(B) (1) or (2) of this section.7830

(a) The sum of the payments received by the county for all
other purposes in calendar year 2014 under division (A) (1) of
section 5727.86 and division (A) (1) of section 5751.22 of the
Revised Code as they existed at that time;

(b) The county's percentage share of county undivided
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local government fund allocations as certified to the tax
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commissioner for calendar year 2015 by the county auditor under
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division (J) of section 5747.51 of the Revised Code or division
(F) of section 5747.53 of the Revised Code multiplied by the
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total amount actually distributed in calendar year 2014 from the
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county undivided local government fund;
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(c) With respect to taxes levied by the county for all
other purposes, the taxes charged and payable for such purposes
against all property on the tax list of real and public utility
property for tax year 2014, excluding taxes charged and payable
for the purpose of paying debt charges;

(d) The sum of the amounts distributed to the county in
calendar year 2014 for the taxes levied pursuant to sections
5739.021 and 5741.021 of the Revised Code;
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(e) The sum of amounts distributed to the county from the
gross casino revenue county fund from July 2014 through April
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(15) "Total resources," in the case of a municipal
corporation, means the sum of the amounts in divisions (A) (15)
(a) to (h) of this section less any reduction required under
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division (B)(1) or (2) of this section.

(a) The sum of the payments received by the municipal
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corporation in calendar year 2014 for current expense levy
10 of section (A) (1) of section 5727.86 and division (A)
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(1) of section 5751.22 of the Revised Code as they existed at
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that time;

(b) The municipal corporation's percentage share of county 7862 undivided local government fund allocations as certified to the 7863 tax commissioner for calendar year 2015 by the county auditor 7864 under division (J) of section 5747.51 of the Revised Code or 7865 division (F) of section 5747.53 of the Revised Code multiplied 7866 by the total amount actually distributed in calendar year 2014 7867 from the county undivided local government fund; 7868

(c) The sum of the amounts distributed to the municipal 7869 corporation in calendar year 2014 pursuant to section 5747.50 of 7870 the Revised Code; 7871

(d) With respect to taxes levied by the municipal
corporation, the taxes charged and payable against all property
on the tax list of real and public utility property for
municipal current expenses for tax year 2014;
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(e) The amount of admissions tax collected by the
municipal corporation in calendar year 2013, or if such
information has not yet been reported to the tax commissioner,
in the most recent year before 2013 for which the municipal
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corporation has reported data to the commissioner;
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(f) The amount of income taxes collected by the municipal
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municipal corporation has reported such data to the 7886 commissioner; 7887 (g) The sum of the amounts distributed to the municipal 7888 corporation from the gross casino revenue host city fund from 7889 July 2014 through April 2015; 7890 (h) The sum of the amounts distributed to the municipal 7891 corporation from the gross casino revenue county fund from July 7892 2014 through April 2015. 7893 (16) "Total resources," in the case of a township, means 7894 the sum of the amounts in divisions (A) (16) (a) to (c) of this 7895 section less any reduction required under division (B)(1) or (2) 7896 of this section. 7897 (a) The sum of the payments received by the township in 7898 calendar year 2014 pursuant to division (A)(1) of section 7899 5727.86 of the Revised Code and division (A) (1) of section 7900 5751.22 of the Revised Code as they existed at that time, 7901 excluding payments received for debt purposes; 7902 (b) The township's percentage share of county undivided 7903 local government fund allocations as certified to the tax 7904 commissioner for calendar year 2015 by the county auditor under 7905 division (J) of section 5747.51 of the Revised Code or division 7906 (F) of section 5747.53 of the Revised Code multiplied by the 7907 total amount actually distributed in calendar year 2014 from the 7908 county undivided local government fund; 7909

commissioner, in the most recent year before 2014 for which the

(c) With respect to taxes levied by the township, the
taxes charged and payable against all property on the tax list
of real and public utility property for tax year 2014 excluding
taxes charged and payable for the purpose of paying debt charges
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or from levies imposed under section 5705.23 of the Revised Code.

(17) "Total resources," in the case of a local taxing unit
that is not a county, municipal corporation, township, or public
11brary means the sum of the amounts in divisions (A) (17) (a) to
(e) of this section less any reduction required under division
(B) (1) of this section.

(b) The local taxing unit's percentage share of county 7926 undivided local government fund allocations as certified to the 7927 tax commissioner for calendar year 2015 by the county auditor 7928 under division (J) of section 5747.51 of the Revised Code or 7929 division (F) of section 5747.53 of the Revised Code multiplied 7930 by the total amount actually distributed in calendar year 2014 7931 from the county undivided local government fund; 7928

(c) With respect to taxes levied by the local taxing unit,
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the taxes charged and payable against all property on the tax
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list of real and public utility property for tax year 2014
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excluding taxes charged and payable for the purpose of paying
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debt charges or from a levy imposed under section 5705.23 of the
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Revised Code;

(d) The amount received from the tax commissioner during7939calendar year 2014 for sales or use taxes authorized under7940sections 5739.023 and 5741.022 of the Revised Code;7941

(e) For institutions of higher education receiving tax 7942

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revenue from a local levy, as identified in section 3358.02 of 7943 the Revised Code, the final state share of instruction 7944 allocation for fiscal year 2014 as calculated by the chancellor 7945 of higher education and reported to the state controlling board. 7946

(18) "Total resources," in the case of a county, municipal 7947 corporation, school district, or township public library that 7948 receives the proceeds of a tax levied under section 5705.23 of 7949 the Revised Code, means the sum of the amounts in divisions (A) 7950 (18) (a) to (d) of this section less any reduction required under 7951 division (B) (1) of this section. 7952

(a) The sum of the payments received by the county,
municipal corporation, school district, or township public
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library in calendar year 2014 pursuant to sections 5727.86 and
5751.22 of the Revised Code, as they existed at that time, for
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fixed-rate levy losses attributable to a tax levied under
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section 5705.23 of the Revised Code for the benefit of the
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public library;

(b) The public library's percentage share of county 7960 undivided local government fund allocations as certified to the 7961 tax commissioner for calendar year 2015 by the county auditor 7962 under division (J) of section 5747.51 of the Revised Code or 7963 division (F) of section 5747.53 of the Revised Code multiplied 7964 by the total amount actually distributed in calendar year 2014 7965 from the county undivided local government fund; 7960

(c) With respect to a tax levied pursuant to section
5705.23 of the Revised Code for the benefit of the public
1ibrary, the amount of such tax that is charged and payable
against all property on the tax list of real and public utility
property for tax year 2014 excluding any tax that is charged and
payable for the purpose of paying debt charges;

(d) The sum of the amounts distributed to the library 7973
district from the county public library fund in calendar year 7974
2014, as reported to the tax commissioner by the county auditor. 7975

(19) "Municipal current expense property tax levies" means 7976 all property tax levies of a municipality, except those with the 7977 following levy names: library; airport resurfacing; bond or any 7978 levy name including the word "bond"; capital improvement or any 7979 levy name including the word "capital"; debt or any levy name 7980 including the word "debt"; equipment or any levy name including 7981 the word "equipment," unless the levy is for combined operating 7982 7983 and equipment; employee termination fund; fire pension or any levy containing the word "pension," including police pensions; 7984 fireman's fund or any practically similar name; sinking fund; 7985 road improvements or any levy containing the word "road"; fire 7986 truck or apparatus; flood or any levy containing the word 7987 "flood"; conservancy district; county health; note retirement; 7988 sewage, or any levy containing the words "sewage" or "sewer"; 7989 park improvement; parkland acquisition; storm drain; street or 7990 any levy name containing the word "street"; lighting, or any 7991 levy name containing the word "lighting"; and water. 7992

(20) "Operating fixed-rate levy loss" means, in the case
of local taxing units other than municipal corporations, fixedrate levy losses of levies imposed for purposes other than
paying debt charges or, in the case of municipal corporations,
fixed-rate levy losses of municipal current expense property tax
rate levies.

(22)(21)(a) "Qualifying municipal corporation" means a7999municipal corporation in the territory of which a qualifying end8000user is located.8001

(b) "Qualifying end user" means an end user of at least

seven million qualifying kilowatt hours of electricity annually. 8003 (c) "Qualifying kilowatt hours" means kilowatt hours of 8004 electricity generated by a renewable energy resource, as defined 8005 in section 5727.01 of the Revised Code, using wind energy and 8006 the distribution of which is subject to the tax levied under 8007 section 5727.81 of the Revised Code for any measurement period 8008 beginning after June 30, 2015. 8009 8010 (23)(22) Any term used in this section has the same meaning as in section 5727.84 or 5751.20 of the Revised Code 8011 unless otherwise defined by this section. 8012 (B) (1) "Total resources" used to compute payments to be 8013 made under division (C) of this section shall be reduced to the 8014 extent that payments distributed in calendar year 2014 were 8015 attributable to levies no longer charged and payable. 8016 (2) "Current expense allocation" used to compute payments 8017 to be made under division (C) of this section shall be reduced 8018 to the extent that payments distributed in calendar year 2014 8019 were attributable to levies no longer charged and payable. 8020 (C) (1) Except as provided in divisions division (D) of 8021 this section, the tax commissioner shall compute payments for 8022

operating fixed-rate levy losses of local taxing units and 8023 public libraries for fiscal year 2016 and each year thereafter 8024 as prescribed in divisions (C)(1)(a) and (b) and of this 8025 section: 8026

8027 (a) For public libraries and local taxing units other than municipal corporations: 8028

(i) If the ratio of current expense allocation to total 8029 resources is equal to or less than the threshold per cent, zero; 8030

(ii) If the ratio of current expense allocation to total
resources is greater than the threshold per cent, the current
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expense allocation minus the product of total resources
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multiplied by the threshold per cent.

(b) For municipal corporations:

(i) If the ratio of the municipal current expense
allocation to total resources is equal to or less than the
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threshold per cent, zero;
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(ii) If the ratio of the municipal current expense
allocation to total resources is greater than the threshold per
cent, the municipal current expense allocation minus the product
of total resources multiplied by the threshold per cent.

 $\frac{(3)}{(2)}$  For any local taxing unit or public library with 8043 operating fixed-rate levy losses greater than zero, the 8044 operating fixed-rate levy loss shall be allocated among all 8045 qualifying operating fixed-rate levies in proportion to each 8046 such levy's share of the payments received in tax year 2014. In 8047 fiscal year 2016 and thereafter, if a levy to which operating 8048 fixed-rate levy loss is allocated is no longer charged and 8049 payable, the payment to the local taxing unit or public library 8050 shall be reduced by the amount allocated to the levy that is no 8051 8052 longer charged and payable.

(D) (1) Except as provided in division (D) (2) of this
section, the tax commissioner shall make payments to local
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taxing units equal to the sum of TPP inside millage debt levy
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loss and S.B. 3 inside millage debt levy loss. No payment shall
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be made if the levy for which the levy loss is computed is not
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charged and payable for debt purposes in fiscal year 2016 or any
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year thereafter.

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(2) No payment shall be made for TPP inside millage debt
levy loss in calendar year 2018 or thereafter. No payment shall
be made for S.B.3 inside millage debt levy loss in calendar year
2017 or thereafter.

8064 (E) For a qualifying municipal corporation, the tax commissioner shall compute payments for fiscal year 2016 and 8065 each ensuing fiscal year in an amount equal to the amount of tax 8066 imposed under section 5727.81 of the Revised Code and paid on 8067 the basis of qualifying kilowatt hours of electricity 8068 distributed through the meter of a qualifying end user located 8069 in the municipal corporation for measurement periods ending in 8070 the preceding calendar year. The payment shall be computed 8071 regardless of whether the qualifying municipal corporation 8072 qualifies for a payment under any other division of this section 8073 for the fiscal year in which the payment is computed under this 8074 division. For the purposes of this division, the commissioner 8075 may require an electric distribution company distributing 8076 qualifying kilowatt hours or, if the end user is a self-8077 assessing purchaser, the end user, to report to the commissioner 8078 the number of qualifying kilowatt hours distributed through the 8079 8080 meter of the qualifying end user.

(F) (1) The payments required to be made under divisions 8081 (C) and (D) of this section shall be paid from the local 8082 government tangible property tax replacement fund to the county 8083 undivided income tax fund in the proper county treasury. 8084 Beginning in August 2015, one-half of the amount determined 8085 under each of those divisions shall be paid on or before the 8086 last day of August each year, and one-half shall be paid on or 8087 before the last day of February each year. Within thirty days 8088 after receipt of such payments, the county treasurer shall 8089 distribute amounts determined under this section to the proper 8090

local taxing unit or public library as if they had been levied8091and collected as taxes, and the local taxing unit or public8092library shall allocate the amounts so received among its funds8093in the same proportions as if those amounts had been levied and8094collected as taxes.8095

(2) On or before the last day of August and of February of 8096 each fiscal year that follows a calendar year in which taxes are 8097 paid on the basis of qualifying kilowatt hours of electricity 8098 distributed through the meter of a qualifying end user located 8099 8100 in a qualifying municipal corporation, one-half of the payment computed under division (E) of this section shall be paid from 8101 the local government tangible personal property tax replacement 8102 fund directly to the qualifying municipal corporation. The 8103 municipal corporation shall credit the payments to a special 8104 fund created for the purpose of providing grants or other 8105 financial assistance to the qualifying end user or to compensate 8106 the municipal corporation for municipal income tax or other tax 8107 credits or reductions as the legislative authority may grant to 8108 8109 the qualifying end user. Such grants or other financial assistance may be provided for by ordinance or resolution of the 8110 legislative authority of the qualifying municipal corporation 8111 and may continue for as long as is provided by the ordinance or 8112 resolution. 8113

(G) If all or a part of the territories of two or more 8114 local taxing units are merged, or unincorporated territory of a 8115 township is annexed by a municipal corporation, the tax 8116 commissioner shall adjust the payments made under this section 8117 to each of the local taxing units in proportion to the square 8118 mileage of the merged or annexed territory as a percentage of 8119 the total square mileage of the jurisdiction from which the 8120 territory originated, or as otherwise provided by a written 8121

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agreement between the legislative authorities of the local 8122 taxing units certified to the commissioner not later than the 8123 first day of June of the calendar year in which the payment is 8124 to be made. 8125

Sec. 5713.03. The county auditor, from the best sources of 8126 information available, shall determine, as nearly as 8127 practicable, the true value of the fee simple estate, as if 8128 unencumbered but subject to any effects from the exercise of 8129 police powers or from other governmental actions, of each 8130 8131 separate tract, lot, or parcel of real property and of 8132 buildings, structures, and improvements located thereon and the current agricultural use value of land valued for tax purposes 8133 in accordance with section 5713.31 of the Revised Code, in every 8134 district, according to the rules prescribed by this chapter and 8135 section 5715.01 of the Revised Code, and in accordance with the 8136 uniform rules and methods of valuing and assessing real property 81.37 as adopted, prescribed, and promulgated by the tax commissioner. 8138 The auditor shall determine the taxable value of all real 8139 property by reducing its true or current agricultural use value 8140 by the percentage ordered by the commissioner. In determining 8141 the true value of any tract, lot, or parcel of real estate under 8142 this section, if such tract, lot, or parcel has been the subject 8143 of an arm's length sale between a willing seller and a willing 8144 buyer within a reasonable length of time, either before or after 8145 the tax lien date, the auditor may consider the sale price of 8146 such tract, lot, or parcel to be the true value for taxation 8147 purposes. However, the sale price in an arm's length transaction 8148 between a willing seller and a willing buyer shall not be 8149 considered the true value of the property sold if subsequent to 8150 the sale: 8151

(A) The tract, lot, or parcel of real estate loses value

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| due to some casualty;  | 8153 |
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| (B) An improvement is added to the property. Nothing             | 8154 |
| Nothing in this section or section 5713.01 of the Revised        | 8155 |
| Code and no rule adopted under section 5715.01 of the Revised    | 8156 |
| Code shall require the county auditor to change the true value   | 8157 |
| in money of any property in any year except a year in which the  | 8158 |
| tax commissioner is required to determine under section 5715.24  | 8159 |
| of the Revised Code whether the property has been assessed as    | 8160 |
| required by law.   | 8161 |
| The county auditor shall adopt and use a real property           | 8162 |
| record approved by the commissioner for each tract, lot, or      | 8163 |
| parcel of real property, setting forth the true and taxable      | 8164 |
| value of land and, in the case of land valued in accordance with | 8165 |
| section 5713.31 of the Revised Code, its current agricultural    | 8166 |
| use value, the number of acres of arable land, permanent pasture | 8167 |
| land, woodland, and wasteland in each tract, lot, or parcel. The | 8168 |
| auditor shall record pertinent information and the true and      | 8169 |
| taxable value of each building, structure, or improvement to     | 8170 |
| land, which value shall be included as a separate part of the    | 8171 |
| total value of each tract, lot, or parcel of real property.      | 8172 |
| Sec. 5713.30. As used in sections 5713.31 to 5713.37 and         | 8173 |
| 5715.01 of the Revised Code:                                     | 8174 |
| (A) "Land devoted exclusively to agricultural use" means:        | 8175 |
| (1) Tracts, lots, or parcels of land totaling not less           | 8176 |
| than ten acres to which, during the three calendar years prior   | 8177 |
| to the year in which application is filed under section 5713.31  | 8178 |
| of the Revised Code, and through the last day of May of such     | 8179 |
| year, one or more of the following apply:                        | 8180 |
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(a) The tracts, lots, or parcels of land were devoted 8181

exclusively to commercial animal or poultry husbandry, 8182 aquaculture, algaculture meaning the farming of algae, 8183 apiculture, the cultivation of hemp by a person issued a hemp 8184 cultivation license under section 928.02 of the Revised Code, 8185 the production for a commercial purpose of timber, field crops, 8186 tobacco, fruits, vegetables, nursery stock, ornamental trees, 8187 sod, or flowers, or the growth of timber for a noncommercial 8188 purpose, if the land on which the timber is grown is contiguous 8189 to or part of a parcel of land under common ownership that is 8190 otherwise devoted exclusively to agricultural use. 8191

(b) The tracts, lots, or parcels of land were devoted 8192 exclusively to biodiesel production, biomass energy production, 8193 electric or heat energy production, or biologically derived 8194 methane gas production if the land on which the production 8195 facility is located is contiguous to or part of a parcel of land 8196 under common ownership that is otherwise devoted exclusively to 8197 agricultural use, provided that at least fifty per cent of the 8198 feedstock used in the production was derived from parcels of 8199 land under common ownership or leasehold. 8200

(c) The tracts, lots, or parcels of land were devoted to
 and qualified for payments or other compensation under a land
 retirement or conservation program under an agreement with an
 agency of the federal government.

(2) Tracts, lots, or parcels of land totaling less than 8205 ten acres that, during the three calendar years prior to the 8206 year in which application is filed under section 5713.31 of the 8207 Revised Code and through the last day of May of such year, were 8208 devoted exclusively to commercial animal or poultry husbandry, 8209 aquaculture, algaculture meaning the farming of algae, 8210 apiculture, the cultivation of hemp by a person issued a hemp 8211

cultivation license under section 928.02 of the Revised Code, 8212 the production for a commercial purpose of field crops, tobacco, 8213 fruits, vegetables, timber, nursery stock, ornamental trees, 8214 sod, or flowers where such activities produced an average yearly 8215 gross income of at least twenty-five hundred dollars during such 8216 three-year period or where there is evidence of an anticipated 8217 gross income of such amount from such activities during the tax 8218 year in which application is made, or were devoted to and 8219 qualified for payments or other compensation under a land 8220 8221 retirement or conservation program under an agreement with an agency of the federal government; 8222

(3) A tract, lot, or parcel of land taxed under sections82235713.22 to 5713.26 of the Revised Code is not land devoted8224exclusively to agricultural use.8225

(4)-Tracts, lots, or parcels of land, or portions thereof 8226 that, during the previous three consecutive calendar years have 8227 been designated as land devoted exclusively to agricultural use, 8228 8229 but such land has been lying idle or fallow for up to one year and no action has occurred to such land that is either 8230 inconsistent with the return of it to agricultural production or 8231 converts the land devoted exclusively to agricultural use as 8232 defined in this section. Such land shall remain designated as 8233 land devoted exclusively to agricultural use provided that 8234 beyond one year, but less than three years, the landowner proves 8235 good cause as determined by the board of revision. 8236

(5) (4)Tracts, lots, or parcels of land, or portions8237thereof that, during the previous three consecutive calendar8238years have been designated as land devoted exclusively to8239agricultural use, but such land has been lying idle or fallow8240because of dredged material being stored or deposited on such8241

land pursuant to a contract between the land's owner and the 8242 department of natural resources or the United States army corps 8243 of engineers and no action has occurred to the land that is 8244 either inconsistent with the return of it to agricultural 8245 production or converts the land devoted exclusively to 8246 agricultural use. Such land shall remain designated as land 8247 devoted exclusively to agricultural use until the last year in 8248 which dredged material is stored or deposited on the land 8249 pursuant to such a contract, but not to exceed five years. 8250

"Land devoted exclusively to agricultural use" includes 8251 8252 tracts, lots, or parcels of land or portions thereof that are used for conservation practices, provided that the tracts, lots, 8253 or parcels of land or portions thereof comprise twenty-five per 8254 cent or less of the total of the tracts, lots, or parcels of 8255 land that satisfy the criteria established in division (A)(1), 8256  $(2), \frac{(4)}{(3)}, \text{ or } \frac{(5)}{(4)}$  of this section together with the 82.57 tracts, lots, or parcels of land or portions thereof that are 8258 used for conservation practices. 8259

Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the8260contrary, the existence of agritourism on a tract, lot, or8261parcel of land that otherwise meets the definition of "land8262devoted exclusively to agricultural use" as defined in this8263division does not disqualify that tract, lot, or parcel from8264valuation under sections 5713.30 to 5713.37 and 5715.01 of the8265Revised Code.8266

# A tract, lot, or parcel of land taxed under sections82675713.22 to 5713.26 of the Revised Code is not land devoted8268exclusively to agricultural use.8269

A tract, lot, parcel, or portion thereof on which medical 8270 marijuana, as defined by section 3796.01 of the Revised Code, is 8271

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#### cultivated or processed is not land devoted exclusively to 8272 8273 agricultural use. (B) "Conversion of land devoted exclusively to 8274 agricultural use" means any of the following: 8275 (1) The failure of the owner of land devoted exclusively 8276 to agricultural use during the next preceding calendar year to 8277 file a renewal application under section 5713.31 of the Revised 8278 Code without good cause as determined by the board of revision; 8279 (2) The failure of the new owner of such land to file an 8280 initial application under that section without good cause as 8281 determined by the board of revision; 8282 (3) The failure of such land or portion thereof to qualify 8283 as land devoted exclusively to agricultural use for the current 8284

calendar year as requested by an application filed under such 8285 section; 8286

(4) The failure of the owner of the land described in8287division (A)(4) - (A)(3) or (5) - (4) of this section to act on such8288land in a manner that is consistent with the return of the land8289to agricultural production after three years.8290

The construction or installation of an energy facility, as 8291 defined in section 5727.01 of the Revised Code, on a portion of 8292 8293 a tract, lot, or parcel of land devoted exclusively to 8294 agricultural use shall not cause the remaining portion of the tract, lot, or parcel to be regarded as a conversion of land 8295 devoted exclusively to agricultural use if the remaining portion 8296 of the tract, lot, or parcel continues to be devoted exclusively 8297 to agricultural use. 8298

(C) "Tax savings" means the difference between the dollar8299amount of real property taxes levied in any year on land valued8300

and assessed in accordance with its current agricultural use8301value and the dollar amount of real property taxes that would8302have been levied upon such land if it had been valued and8303assessed for such year in accordance with Section 2 of Article8304XII, Ohio Constitution.8305

(D) "Owner" includes, but is not limited to, any person
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 owning a fee simple, fee tail, or life estate or a buyer on a
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 land installment contract.
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(E) "Conservation practices" are practices used to abate
soil erosion as required in the management of the farming
operation, and include, but are not limited to, the
installation, construction, development, planting, or use of
grass waterways, terraces, diversions, filter strips, field
borders, windbreaks, riparian buffers, wetlands, ponds, and
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(F) "Wetlands" has the same meaning as in section 6111.028316of the Revised Code.8317

(G) "Biodiesel" means a mono-alkyl ester combustible
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liquid fuel that is derived from vegetable oils or animal fats
or any combination of those reagents and that meets the American
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society for testing and materials specification D6751-03a for
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biodiesel fuel (B100) blend stock distillate fuels.

(H) "Biologically derived methane gas" means gas from the
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 anaerobic digestion of organic materials, including animal waste
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 and agricultural crops and residues.
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(I) "Biomass energy" means energy that is produced from 8326
 organic material derived from plants or animals and available on 8327
 a renewable basis, including, but not limited to, agricultural 8328
 crops, tree crops, crop by-products, and residues. 8329

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(J) "Electric or heat energy" means electric or heat8330energy generated from manure, cornstalks, soybean waste, or8331other agricultural feedstocks.8332

(K) "Dredged material" means material that is excavated or
dredged from waters of this state. "Dredged material" does not
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include material resulting from normal farming, silviculture,
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and ranching activities, such as plowing, cultivating, seeding,
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and harvesting, for production of food, fiber, and forest
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products.

(L) "Agritourism" has the same meaning as in section901.80 of the Revised Code.8340

Sec. 5713.351. If the county auditor has determined under 8341 section 5713.35 of the Revised Code that a conversion of land 8342 has occurred with respect to any tract, lot, or parcel on the 8343 agricultural land tax list because of a failure to file an 8344 initial or renewal application, and if the auditor, upon 8345 application of the owner and payment by the owner of a twenty-8346 five\_dollar fee, finds that the land would be land devoted 8347 exclusively to agricultural use for the current year if the 8348 board of revision finds the failure arose for good cause, the 8349 owner may file a complaint against that determination with the 8350 board as provided in section 5715.19 of the Revised Code on the 8351 grounds that the tract, lot, or parcel is land devoted 8352 exclusively to agricultural use because there was good cause for 8353 the owner's failure to file an initial or renewal application. 8354 If the board finds that there was such good cause, the 8355 application under this section shall be considered an 8356 application that was properly filed under section 5713.31 of the 8357 Revised Code. 8358

Sec. 5715.13. (A) Except as provided in division (B) of 8359

this section, the county board of revision shall not decrease8360any valuation unless a party affected thereby or who is8361authorized to file a complaint under section 5715.19 of the8362Revised Code makes and files with the board a written8363application therefor, verified by oath and signature, showing8364the facts upon which it is claimed such decrease should be made.8365

(B) The county board of revision may authorize a policy 8366 for the filing of an electronic complaint under section 5715.19 8367 of the Revised Code and the filing of an electronic application 8368 therefor under this section, subject to the approval of the tax 8369 commissioner. An electronic complaint need not be sworn to, but 8370 shall contain an electronic verification and shall be subscribed 8371 to by the person filing the complaint: "I declare under 8372 penalties of perjury that this complaint has been examined by me 8373 and to the best of my knowledge and belief is true, correct, and 8374 8375 complete.<u>"</u>

Sec. 5715.36. (A) Any expense incurred by the tax 8376 commissioner as to the annual assessment of real property in any 8377 taxing district shall be paid out of the treasury of the county 8378 in which such district is located upon presentation of the order 8379 of the commissioner certifying the amount thereof to the county 8380 auditor, who shall thereupon issue a warrant therefor upon the 8381 general fund of the county and direct the warrant to the county 8382 treasurer, who shall pay the same. All money paid out of the 8383 county treasury under authority of this division and section 8384 5703.30 of the Revised Code shall be charged against the proper 8385 district, and amounts paid by the county shall be retained by 8386 the auditor from funds due such district at the time of making 8387 the semiannual distribution of taxes. 8388

(B) Any expense incurred by the board of tax appeals as to

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the hearing of any appeal from a county budget commission with 8390 respect to the allocation of the local government fund or the 8391 county public library fund shall be paid out of the treasury of 8392 the county involved upon presentation of the order of the board 8393 certifying the amount thereof to the county auditor, who shall 8394 thereupon issue a warrant therefor upon the general fund of the 8395 county and direct the warrant to the county treasurer, who shall 8396 pay the same. At the time the local government fund or the 8397 county public library fund is distributed, all money which had 8398 been paid out of the county treasury for such expenses shall be 8399 deducted by the county auditor from the fund involved in the 8400 appeal. The amount so deducted by the county auditor shall be 8401 forthwith returned to the general fund of the county. 8402

(C) An amount equal to the sum of the expenses incurred by 8403 the board of tax appeals as to any of the following shall be 8404 paid out of the general fund of the county in which such 8405 property is located upon presentation of the order of the board 8406 certifying the amount thereof to the county auditor, who shall 8407 thereupon issue a warrant therefor upon the general fund of the 8408 county and direct the warrant to the county treasurer, who shall 8409 pay the same: 8410

(1) The hearing of any appeal from a county board of8411revision under section 5717.01 of the Revised Code;8412

(2) An appeal from any finding, computation,
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determination, or order of the tax commissioner made with
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respect to the assessment or exemption of real property under
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division (B) of section 5715.61 and section 5717.02 of the
Revised Code. At the time of each settlement of taxes under
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divisions (A) and (C) of section 321.24 of the Revised Code,
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there shall be deducted from the taxes included in such

settlement and paid into the county general fund in the same 8420 manner as the fees allowed the county treasurer on amounts 8421 included in such settlement, the amounts paid out under this 8422 division since the preceding settlement. Each deduction shall be 8423 apportioned among the taxing districts within which the property 8424 that was the subject of the appeal is located in proportion to 8425 their relative shares of their respective taxes included in the 8426 settlement. 8427

Sec. 5721.06. (A) (1) The form of the notice required to be attached to the published delinquent tax list by division (B)(3) 8429 of section 5721.03 of the Revised Code shall be in substance as 8430 follows: 8431

#### "DELINQUENT LAND TAX NOTICE 8432

The lands, lots, and parts of lots returned delinquent by 8433 the county treasurer of ..... county, with the 8434 8435 taxes, assessments, interest, and penalties, charged against them agreeably to law, are contained and described in the 8436 following list: (Here insert the list with the names of the 8437 owners of such respective tracts of land or town lots as 8438 designated on the delinquent tax list. If, prior to seven days 8439 before the publication of the list, a delinquent tax contract 8440 has been entered into under section 323.31 of the Revised Code, 8441 the owner's name may be stricken from the list or designated by 8442 an asterisk shown in the margin next to the owner's name.) 8443

Notice is hereby given that the whole of such several 8444 lands, lots, or parts of lots will be certified for foreclosure 8445 by the county auditor pursuant to law unless the whole of the 8446 delinquent taxes, assessments, interest, and penalties are paid 8447 within one year or unless a tax certificate with respect to the 8448 parcel is sold under section 5721.32 or 5721.33 of the Revised 8449

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Code. The names of persons who have entered into a written 8450 delinguent tax contract with the county treasurer to discharge 8451 the delinquency are designated by an asterisk or have been 8452 stricken from the list." 8453

(2) If the county treasurer has certified to the county 8454 auditor that the treasurer intends to offer for sale or assign a 8455 tax certificate with respect to one or more parcels of 8456 delinguent land under section 5721.32 or 5721.33 of the Revised 8457 Code, the form of the notice shall include the following 8458 statement, appended after the second paragraph of the notice 8459 prescribed by division (A) (1) of this section: 8460

"Notice also is hereby given that a tax certificate may be 8461 offered for sale or assigned under section 5721.32 or 5721.33 of 8462 the Revised Code with respect to those parcels shown on this 8463 list. If a tax certificate on a parcel is purchased, the 8464 purchaser of the tax certificate acquires the state's or its 8465 taxing district's first lien against the property, and an 8466 additional interest charge of up to eighteen per cent per annum 8467 shall be assessed against the parcel. In addition, failure by 8468 the owner of the parcel to redeem the tax certificate may result 8469 in foreclosure proceedings against the parcel. No tax 8470 certificate shall be offered for sale if the owner of the parcel 8471 has either discharged the lien by paying to the county treasurer 8472 in cash the amount of delinquent taxes, assessments, penalties, 8473 interest, and charges charged against the property, or has 8474 entered into a valid delinquent tax contract pursuant to section 8475 323.31 of the Revised Code to pay those amounts in 8476 installments." 8477

(B) The form of the notice required to be attached to the 8478 published delinquent vacant land tax list by division (B)(3) of 8479

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| section 5721.03 of the Revised Code shall be in substance as    | 8480 |
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| follows:  | 8481 |
| "DELINQUENT VACANT LAND TAX NOTICE                              | 8482 |
| The delinquent vacant lands, returned delinquent by the         | 8483 |
| county treasurer of county, with the taxes $_{m L}$             | 8484 |
| assessments, interest, and penalties charged against them       | 8485 |
| according to law, and remaining delinquent for one year, are    | 8486 |
| contained and described in the following list: (here insert the | 8487 |
| list with the names of the owners of the respective tracts of   | 8488 |
| land as designated on the delinquent vacant land tax list. If,  | 8489 |
| prior to seven days before the publication of the list, a       | 8490 |
| delinquent tax contract has been entered into under section     | 8491 |
| 323.31 of the Revised Code, the owner's name may be stricken    | 8492 |
| from the list or designated by an asterisk shown in the margin  | 8493 |
| next to the owner's name.)                                      | 8494 |

Notice is hereby given that these delinquent vacant lands 8495 will be certified for foreclosure or foreclosure and forfeiture 8496 by the county auditor pursuant to law unless the whole of the 8497 delinquent taxes, assessments, interest, and penalties are paid 8498 within twenty-eight days after the final publication of this 8499 notice. The names of persons who have entered into a written 8500 delinquent tax contract with the county treasurer to discharge 8501 the delinquency are designated by an asterisk or have been 8502 stricken from the list." 8503

Sec. 5721.191. (A) Subject to division (B) of this 8504 section, the form for the advertisement of a sale conducted 8505 pursuant to section 5721.19 of the Revised Code shall be as 8506 follows: 8507

"Notice of sale under judgment of foreclosure of liens

| for delinquent land taxes  | 8509 |
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| In the court of, Ohio  | 8510 |
| case no.   | 8511 |
| in the matter of foreclosure of liens for                        | 8512 |
| delinquent land taxes  | 8513 |
| county treasurer of Ohio   | 8514 |
| Plaintiff,   | 8515 |
| VS.  | 8516 |
| parcels of land encumbered with delinquent                       | 8517 |
| tax liens,   | 8518 |
| Defendants.  | 8519 |
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| Whereas, judgment has been rendered against certain              | 8521 |
| parcels of real property for taxes, assessments, charges,        | 8522 |
| penalties, interest, and costs as follows:                       | 8523 |
| (Here set out, for each parcel, the respective permanent         | 8524 |
| parcel number, full street address, description of the parcel,   | 8525 |
| name and address of the last known owners of the parcel as shown | 8526 |
| on the general tax list, and total amount of the judgment) and;  | 8527 |
| Whereas, such judgment orders such real property to be           | 8528 |
| sold or otherwise disposed of according to law by the            | 8529 |
| undersigned to satisfy the total amount of such judgment;        | 8530 |
| Now, therefore, public notice is hereby given that I,            | 8531 |
| (officer <u>)</u> of   | 8532 |
| Ohio, will either dispose of such property according to law or   | 8533 |

sell such real property at public auction, for cash, to the 8534 highest bidder of an amount that equals at least (insert here, 8535 as in the court's order, the fair market value of the parcel as 8536 determined by the county auditor, or the total amount of the 8537 judgment, including all taxes, assessments, charges, penalties, 8538 and interest payable subsequent to the delivery to the 8539 prosecuting attorney of the delinguent land tax certificate or 8540 master list of delinquent tracts and prior to the transfer of 8541 the deed of the property to the purchaser following confirmation 8542 of sale), between the hours of ..... a.m. and ..... p.m., 8543 at (address and location) in ..... Ohio, on 8544 ....., the ..... day of ....., ...., If any 8545 parcel does not receive a sufficient bid or is not otherwise 8546 disposed of according to law, it may be offered for sale, under 8547 the same terms and conditions of the first sale and at the same 8548 time of day and at the same place, on ....., the 8549 ..... day of ..... for an amount that 8550 equals at least (insert here, as in the court's order, the fair 8551 market value of the parcel as determined by the county auditor, 8552 or the total amount of the judgment, including all taxes 8553 assessments, charges, penalties, and interest payable subsequent 8554 to the delivery to the prosecuting attorney of the delinquent 8555 land tax certificate or master list of delinquent tracts and 8556

prior to the transfer of the deed of the property to the 8557 purchaser following confirmation of sale)."

(B) If the title search required by division (B) of 8559
section 5721.18 of the Revised Code that relates to a parcel 8560
subject to an in rem action under that division, or if the title 8561
search that relates to a parcel subject to an in personam action 8562
under division (A) of section 5721.18 of the Revised Code, 8563
indicates that a federal tax lien exists relative to the parcel, 8564

then the form of the advertisement of sale as described in8565division (A) of this section additionally shall include the8566following statement in boldface type:8567

"PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT (INSERT HERE THE 8568 DESCRIPTION OF EACH RELEVANT PARCEL) TO BE SOLD AT PUBLIC 8569 AUCTION IS SUBJECT TO A FEDERAL TAX LIEN THAT MAY NOT BE 8570 EXTINGUISHED BY THE SALE. 8571

(C) If the proceedings for foreclosure were instituted
under division (C) of section 5721.18 of the Revised Code, then
the form of the advertisement of sale as described in division
(A) of this section additionally shall include the following
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statement in boldface type:

"Public notice is hereby given that (insert here the 8577 description of each relevant parcel) to be sold at public 8578 auction will be sold subject to all liens and encumbrances with 8579 respect to the parcel, other than the liens for land taxes, 8580 assessments, charges, penalties, and interest for which the lien 8581 was foreclosed and in satisfaction of which the property is 8582 sold. 8583

Sec. 5721.39. (A) In its judgment of foreclosure rendered 8584 in actions filed pursuant to section 5721.37 of the Revised 8585 Code, the court or board of revision shall enter a finding that 8586 includes all of the following with respect to the certificate 8587 parcel: 8588

(1) The amount of the sum of the certificate redemption8589prices for all the tax certificates sold against the parcel;8590

(2) Interest on the certificate purchase prices of all
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 certificates at the rate of eighteen per cent per year for the
 period beginning on the day on which the payment was submitted
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| by the certificate holder under division (B) of section 5721.37  | 8594 |
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| of the Revised Code;   | 8595 |
| (3) The amount paid under division (B)(2) of section             | 8596 |
| 5721.37 of the Revised Code, plus interest at the rate of        | 8597 |
| eighteen per cent per year for the period beginning on the day   | 8598 |
| the certificate holder filed a request for foreclosure or a      | 8599 |
| notice of intent to foreclose under division (A) of that         | 8600 |
| section;   | 8601 |
| (4) Any delinquent taxes on the parcel that are not              | 8602 |
| covered by a payment under division (B)(2) of section 5721.37 of | 8603 |
| the Revised Code;  | 8604 |
| (5) Fees and costs incurred in the foreclosure proceeding        | 8605 |
| instituted against the parcel, including, without limitation,    | 8606 |
| the fees and costs of the prosecuting attorney represented by    | 8607 |
| the fee paid under division (B)(3) of section 5721.37 of the     | 8608 |
| Revised Code, plus interest as provided in division (D)(2)(d) of | 8609 |
| this section, or the fees and costs of the private attorney      | 8610 |
| representing the certificate holder, and charges paid or         | 8611 |
| incurred in procuring title searches and abstracting services    | 8612 |
| relative to the subject premises.                                | 8613 |
| (B) The court or board of revision may order the                 | 8614 |
| certificate parcel to be sold or otherwise transferred according | 8615 |
| to law, without appraisal and as set forth in the prayer of the  | 8616 |
| complaint, for not less than the amount of its finding, or, in   | 8617 |
| the event that the true value of the certificate parcel as       | 8618 |
| determined by the county auditor is less than the certificate    | 8619 |
| redemption price, the court or board or revision may, as prayed  | 8620 |
| for in the complaint, issue a decree transferring fee simple     | 8621 |

title free and clear of all subordinate liens to the certificate

holder or as otherwise provided in sections 323.65 to 323.79 of

the Revised Code. A decree of the court or board of revision8624transferring fee simple title to the certificate holder is8625forever a bar to all rights of redemption with respect to the8626certificate parcel.8627

(C) (1) The certificate holder may file a motion with the 8628 court for an order authorizing a specified private selling 8629 officer, as defined in section 2329.01 of the Revised Code, to 8630 sell the parcel at a public auction. If the court authorizes a 8631 private selling officer to sell the parcel, then upon the filing 8632 of a praccipe for order of sale with the clerk of the court, the 8633 clerk of the court shall immediately issue an order of sale to 8634 the private selling officer authorized by the court. 8635

(2) The officer to whom the order of sale is directed may 8636 conduct the public auction of the parcel at a physical location 8637 in the county in which the parcel is located or online. If the 8638 public auction occurs online, the auction shall be open for 8639 bidding for seven days. If the parcel is not sold during this 8640 initial seven-day period, a second online auction shall be held 8641 not earlier than three days or later than thirty days after the 8642 end of the first auction. The second online auction shall be 8643 open for bidding for seven days. 8644

(3) A private selling officer who conducts an auction of 8645the parcel under this section may do any of the following: 8646

(a) Market the parcels for sale and hire a title insurance
agent licensed under Chapter 3953. of the Revised Code or title
ansurance company authorized to do business under that chapter
administrative services;

(b) Execute to the purchaser, or to the purchaser's legal 8652

representatives, a deed of conveyance of the parcel sold in 8653 conformity with the form set forth in section 5302.31 of the 8654 Revised Code; 8655

(c) Record on behalf of the purchaser the deed conveying
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title to the parcel sold, notwithstanding that the deed may not
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actually have been delivered to the purchaser prior to its
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recording.

(4) By placing a bid at a sale conducted pursuant to this
section, a purchaser appoints the private selling officer who
conducts the sale as agent of the purchaser for the sole purpose
of accepting delivery of the deed.

(5) The private selling officer who conducts the sale
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shall hire a title insurance agent licensed under Chapter 3953.
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of the Revised Code or title insurance company authorized to do
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business under that chapter to perform title, escrow, and
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closing services related to the sale of the parcel.
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(6) Except as otherwise provided in sections 323.65 to 8669 323.79 of the Revised Code, and the alternative redemption 8670 period thereunder, each certificate parcel shall be advertised 8671 and sold by the officer to whom the order of sale is directed in 8672 the manner provided by law for the sale of real property on 8673 execution. The advertisement for sale of certificate parcels 8674 shall be published once a week for three consecutive weeks and 8675 shall include the date on which a second sale will be conducted 8676 if no bid is accepted at the first sale. Any number of parcels 8677 may be included in one advertisement. 8678

Except as otherwise provided in sections 323.65 to 323.798679of the Revised Code, whenever the officer charged to conduct the8680sale offers a certificate parcel for sale at a physical location8681

and not online and no bids are made equal to at least the amount 8682 of the finding of the court or board of revision, the officer 8683 shall adjourn the sale of the parcel to the second date that was 8684 specified in the advertisement of sale. The second sale shall be 8685 held at the same place and commence at the same time as set 8686 forth in the advertisement of sale. The officer shall offer any 8687 parcel not sold at the first sale. Upon the conclusion of any 8688 sale, or if any parcel remains unsold after being offered at two 8689 sales, the officer conducting the sale shall report the results 8690 to the court or board of revision. 8691

(D) Upon the confirmation of a sale, the proceeds of the sale shall be applied as follows:

(1) The fees and costs incurred in the proceeding filed 8694 against the parcel pursuant to section 5721.37 of the Revised 8695 Code shall be paid first, including attorney's fees of the 8696 certificate holder's attorney payable under division (F) of that 8697 section, private selling officer's fees and marketing costs, 8698 title agent's or title company's fees, or the county 8699 prosecutor's costs covered by the fee paid by the certificate 8700 8701 holder under division (B)(3) of that section.

(2) Following the payment required by division (D) (1) of
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this section, the certificate holder that filed the notice of
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intent to foreclose or request for foreclosure with the county
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treasurer shall be paid the sum of the following amounts:
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(a) The sum of the amount found due for the certificate
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(b) Any premium paid by the certificate holder at the time 8709of purchase; 8710

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(c) Interest on the amounts paid by the certificate holder 8711 under division (B)(1) of section 5721.37 of the Revised Code at 8712 the rate of eighteen per cent per year beginning on the day on 8713 which the payment was submitted by the certificate holder to the 8714 county treasurer and ending on the day immediately preceding the 8715 day on which the proceeds of the foreclosure sale are paid to 8716 the certificate holder; 8717

(d) Interest on the amounts paid by the certificate holder 8718 under divisions (B)(2) and (3) of section 5721.37 of the Revised 8719 Code at the rate of eighteen per cent per year beginning on the 8720 day on which the payment was submitted by the certificate holder 8721 under divisions (B)(2) and (3) of that section and ending on the 8722 day immediately preceding the day on which the proceeds of the 8723 foreclosure sale are paid to the certificate holder pursuant to 8724 this section, except that such interest shall not accrue for 8725 more than three six years if the certificate was sold under 8726 section 5721.32 of the Revised Code, or under section 5721.42 of 8727 the Revised Code by the holder of a certificate issued under 8728 section 5721.32 of the Revised Code, or more than six years if 8729 the certificate was sold under section 5721.33 of the Revised 8730 Code, or under section 5721.42 of the Revised Code by the holder 8731 of a certificate issued under section 5721.33 of the Revised 8732 Code, after the day the amounts were paid by the certificate 8733 holder under divisions (B)(2) and (3) of section 5721.37 of the 8734 Revised Code; 8735

(e) The amounts paid by the certificate holder under
divisions (B)(1), (2), and (3) of section 5721.37 of the Revised
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Code.
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(3) Following the payment required by division (D) (2) of8739this section, any amount due for taxes, installments of8740

assessments, charges, penalties, and interest not covered by the 8741 tax certificate holder's payment under division (B)(2) of 8742 section 5721.37 of the Revised Code shall be paid, including all 8743 taxes, installments of assessments, charges, penalties, and 8744 interest payable subsequent to the entry of the finding and 8745 prior to the transfer of the deed of the parcel to the purchaser 8746 8747 following confirmation of sale. If the proceeds available for distribution pursuant to this division are insufficient to pay 8748 the entire amount of those taxes, installments of assessments, 8749 charges, penalties, and interest, the proceeds shall be paid to 8750 each claimant in proportion to the amount of those taxes, 8751 installments of assessments, charges, penalties, and interest 8752 that each is due, and those taxes, installments of assessments, 8753 charges, penalties, and interest are deemed satisfied and shall 8754 be removed from the tax list and duplicate. 8755

(4) Any residue of money from proceeds of the sale shall
be disposed of as prescribed by section 5721.20 of the Revised
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Code.
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(E) Unless the parcel previously was redeemed pursuant to 8759 section 5721.25 or 5721.38 of the Revised Code, upon the filing 8760 of the entry of confirmation of sale, or an order to transfer 8761 the parcel under sections 323.65 to 323.79 of the Revised Code, 8762 the title to the parcel is incontestable in the purchaser and is 8763 free and clear of all liens and encumbrances, except a federal 8764 tax lien, notice of which lien is properly filed in accordance 8765 with section 317.09 of the Revised Code prior to the date that a 8766 foreclosure proceeding is instituted pursuant to section 5721.37 8767 of the Revised Code, and which lien was foreclosed in accordance 8768 with 28 U.S.C.A. 2410(c), and except for the easements and 8769 covenants of record running with the land or lots that were 8770 created prior to the time the taxes or installments of 8771 assessments, for the nonpayment of which a tax certificate was 8772 issued and the parcel sold at foreclosure, became due and 8773 payable. 8774

The title shall not be invalid because of any 8775 irregularity, informality, or omission of any proceedings under 8776 this chapter or in any processes of taxation, if such 8777 irregularity, informality, or omission does not abrogate the 8778 provision for notice to holders of title, lien, or mortgage to, 8779 or other interests in, such foreclosed parcels, as prescribed in 8780 this chapter. 8781

Sec. 5725.98. (A) To provide a uniform procedure for8782calculating the amount of tax imposed by section 5725.18 of the8783Revised Code that is due under this chapter, a taxpayer shall8784claim any credits and offsets against tax liability to which it8785is entitled in the following order:8786

(1) The credit for an insurance company or insurance 8787company group under section 5729.031 of the Revised Code; 8788

(2) The credit for eligible employee training costs under 8789section 5725.31 of the Revised Code; 8790

(3) The credit for purchasers of qualified low-income
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 community investments under section 5725.33 of the Revised Code;
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(4) The nonrefundable job retention credit under division 8793(B) of section 122.171 of the Revised Code; 8794

(5) The nonrefundable credit for investments in rural8795business growth funds under section 122.152 of the Revised Code;8796

(6) The offset of assessments by the Ohio life and health
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 insurance guaranty association permitted by section 3956.20 of
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 the Revised Code;
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| building under section 5725.34 of the Revised Code-;             | 8801 |
| (8) The refundable credit for Ohio job retention under           | 8802 |
| former division (B)(2) or (3) of section 122.171 of the Revised  | 8803 |
| Code as those divisions existed before September 29, 2015, the   | 8804 |
| effective date of the amendment of this section by H.B. 64 of    | 8805 |
| the 131st general assembly;                                      | 8806 |
| (9) The refundable credit for Ohio job creation under            | 8807 |
| section 5725.32 of the Revised Code;                             | 8808 |
| (10) The refundable credit under section 5725.19 of the          | 8809 |
| Revised Code for losses on loans made under the Ohio venture     | 8810 |
| capital program under sections 150.01 to 150.10 of the Revised   | 8811 |
| Code.  | 8812 |
| (B) For any credit except the refundable credits                 | 8813 |
| enumerated in this section, the amount of the credit for a       | 8814 |
| taxable year shall not exceed the tax due after allowing for any | 8815 |
| other credit that precedes it in the order required under this   | 8816 |
| section. Any excess amount of a particular credit may be carried | 8817 |
| forward if authorized under the section creating that credit.    | 8818 |
| Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to allow a taxpayer   | 8819 |
| to claim, directly or indirectly, a credit more than once for a  | 8820 |
| taxable year.  | 8821 |
| Sec. 5726.50. (A) A taxpayer may claim a refundable tax          | 8822 |
| credit against the tax imposed under this chapter for each       | 8823 |
| person included in the annual report of the taxpayer that is     | 8824 |
| granted a credit by the tax credit authority under section       | 8825 |
| 122.17 or former division (B)(2) or (3) of section 122.171 of    | 8826 |
| the Revised Code as those divisions existed before the effective | 8827 |
| date of the amendment of this section by H.B. 64 of the 131st-   | 8828 |

(7) The refundable credit for rehabilitating a historic

general assembly September 29, 2015. Such a credit shall not be8829claimed for any tax year following the calendar year in which a8830relocation of employment positions occurs in violation of an8831agreement entered into under section 122.17 or 122.171 of the8832Revised Code. For the purpose of making tax payments under this8833chapter, taxes equal to the amount of the refundable credit8834shall be considered to be paid on the first day of the tax year.8835

(B) A taxpayer may claim a nonrefundable tax credit 8836 against the tax imposed under this chapter for each person 8837 included in the annual report of the taxpayer that is granted a 8838 nonrefundable credit by the tax credit authority under division 8839 (B) of section 122.171 of the Revised Code. A taxpayer may claim 8840 against the tax imposed by this chapter any unused portion of 8841 the credits authorized under division (B) of section 5733.0610 8842 of the Revised Code. 8843

(C) The credits authorized in divisions (A) and (B) of 8844 this section shall be claimed in the order required under 8845 section 5726.98 of the Revised Code. If the amount of a credit 8846 authorized in division (A) of this section exceeds the tax 8847 otherwise due under section 5726.02 of the Revised Code after 8848 deducting all other credits preceding the credit in the order 8849 prescribed in section 5726.98 of the Revised Code, the excess 8850 shall be refunded to the taxpayer. 8851

Sec. 5727.02. As used in this chapter, "public utility," 8852
"electric company," "natural gas company," "pipe-line company," 8853
"water-works company," "water transportation company<u>r</u>" or 8854
"heating company" does not include any of the following: 8855

(A) (1) Except as provided in division (A) (2) of this
section, any person that is engaged in some other primary
business to which the supplying of electricity, heat, natural
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| gas, water, water transportation, steam, or air to others is     | 8859 |
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| incidental.  | 8860 |
| (2) For tax year 2009 and each tax year thereafter, a            | 8861 |
| person that is engaged in some other primary business to which   | 8862 |
| the supplying of electricity to others is incidental shall be    | 8863 |
| treated as an "electric company" and a "public utility" for      | 8864 |
| purposes of this chapter solely to the extent required by        | 8865 |
| section 5727.031 of the Revised Code.                            | 8866 |
| (3) For purposes of division (A) of this section and             | 8867 |
| section 5727.031 of the Revised Code:                            | 8868 |
| (a) "Supplying of electricity" means generating,                 | 8869 |
| transmitting, or distributing electricity.                       | 8870 |
| (b) A person that leases to others energy facilities with        | 8871 |
| an aggregate nameplate capacity in this state of two hundred     | 8872 |
| fifty kilowatts or less per lease is not supplying electricity   | 8873 |
| to others.   | 8874 |
| (c) A person that owns, or leases from another person,           | 8875 |
| energy facilities with an aggregate nameplate capacity in this   | 8876 |
| state of two hundred fifty kilowatts or less is not supplying    | 8877 |
| electricity to others, regardless of whether the owner or lessee | 8878 |
| engages in net metering as defined in section 4928.01 of the     | 8879 |
| Revised Code.  | 8880 |
| (d) A political subdivision of this state that owns an           | 8881 |
| energy facility is not supplying electricity to others           | 8882 |
| regardless of the nameplate capacity of the facility if the      | 8883 |
| primary purpose of the facility is to supply electricity for the | 8884 |
| political subdivision's own use. As used in this division,       | 8885 |
| "political subdivision" means a county, township, municipal      | 8886 |
| corporation, or any other body corporate and politic that is     | 8887 |

# responsible for government activities in a geographic area 8888 smaller than that of the state. 8889 (B) Any person that supplies electricity, natural gas, 8890 water, water transportation, steam, or air to its tenants, 8891 whether for a separate charge or otherwise; 8892 (C) Any person whose primary business in this state 8893

consists of producing, refining, or marketing petroleum or its 8894 products. 8895

(D) Any person whose primary business in this state
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 consists of producing or gathering natural gas rather than
 supplying or distributing natural gas to consumers.
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Sec. 5727.11. (A) Except as otherwise provided in this 8899 section, the true value of all taxable property, except property 8900 of a railroad company, required by section 5727.06 of the 8901 Revised Code to be assessed by the tax commissioner shall be 8902 determined by a method of valuation using cost as capitalized on 8903 the public utility's books and records less composite annual 8904 allowances as prescribed by the commissioner. If the 8905 commissioner finds that application of this method will not 8906 result in the determination of true value of the public 8907 utility's taxable property, the commissioner may use another 8908 method of valuation. 8909

(B) (1) Except as provided in division (B) (2) of this
section, the true value of current gas stored underground is the
cost of that gas shown on the books and records of the public
utility on the thirty-first day of December of the preceding
year.

(2) For tax year 2001 and thereafter, the true value of 8915current gas stored underground is the quotient obtained by 8916

dividing (a) the average value of the current gas stored 8917 underground, which shall be determined by adding the value of 8918 the gas on hand at the end of each calendar month in the 8919 calendar year preceding the tax year, or, if applicable, the 8920 last day of business of each month for a partial month, divided 8921 by (b) the total number of months the natural gas company was in 8922 business during the calendar year prior to the beginning of the 8923 tax year. with With the approval of the tax commissioner, a 8924 natural gas company may use a date other than the end of a 8925 calendar month to value its current gas stored underground. 8926

(C) The true value of noncurrent gas stored underground is
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 thirty-five per cent of the cost of that gas shown on the books
 and records of the public utility on the thirty-first day of
 Becember of the preceding year.

(D) (1) Except as provided in division (D) (2) of this
section, the true value of the production equipment of an
electric company and the true value of all taxable property of a
rural electric company is the equipment's or property's cost as
eapitalized on the company's books and records less fifty per
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(E) The true value of taxable property, except property of 8945a railroad company, required by section 5727.06 of the Revised 8946

Code to be assessed by the tax commissioner shall not include 8947 the allowance for funds used during construction or interest 8948 during construction that has been capitalized on the public 8949 utility's books and records as part of the total cost of the 8950 taxable property. This division shall not apply to the taxable 8951 property of an electric company or a rural electric company, 8952 excluding transmission and distribution property, first placed 8953 into service after December 31, 2000, or to the taxable property 8954 a person purchases, which includes transfers, if that property 8955 was used in business by the seller prior to the purchase. 8956

(F) The true value of watercraft owned or operated by a 8957 water transportation company shall be determined by multiplying 8958 the true value of the watercraft as determined under division 8959 (A) of this section by a fraction, the numerator of which is the 8960 number of revenue-earning miles traveled by the watercraft in 8961 the waters of this state and the denominator of which is the 8962 number of revenue-earning miles traveled by the watercraft in 8963 all waters. 8964

(G) The cost of property subject to a sale and leaseback
transaction is the cost of the property as capitalized on the
books and records of the public utility owning the property
immediately prior to the sale and leaseback transaction.

(H) The cost as capitalized on the books and records of a 8969
public utility includes amounts capitalized that represent 8970
regulatory assets, if such amounts previously were included on 8971
the company's books and records as capitalized costs of taxable 8972
personal property. 8973

(I) Any change in the composite annual allowances as
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 prescribed by the commissioner on a prospective basis shall not
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 be admissible in any judicial or administrative action or
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proceeding as evidence of value with regard to prior years' 8977 taxes. Information about the business, property, or transactions 8978 of any taxpayer obtained by the commissioner for the purpose of 8979 adopting or modifying the composite annual allowances shall not 8980 be subject to discovery or disclosure. 8981

Sec. 5727.23. On or before the first Monday in October, 8982 annually, the tax commissioner shall assess the taxable property 8983 of each public utility and interexchange telecommunications 8984 company, and for tax year 2009 and thereafter of each public 8985 utility property lessor. If the taxpayer failed to file its 8986 annual report required by section 5727.08 of the Revised Code at 8987 least sixty days prior to the first Monday of October, the 8988 commissioner may make the assessment under this section within 8989 sixty days after the taxpayer files the report, but this does 8990 not preclude the commissioner from making an assessment without 8991 receiving the report. 8992

The action of the tax commissioner shall be evidenced by a 8993 preliminary assessment that reflects the taxable value 8994 apportioned to each county and each taxing district in the 8995 county. The commissioner may amend the preliminary assessment as 8996 provided in this section. Each preliminary assessment and 8997 amended preliminary assessment shall be certified to the public 8998 utility, interexchange telecommunications company, or public 8999 utility property lessor, and to  $\tau$  the auditor of each county to 9000 which taxable value has been apportioned. 9001

The county auditor shall place the apportioned taxable9002value on the general tax list and duplicate of real and public9003utility property, and taxes shall be levied and collected9004thereon at the same rates and in the same manner as taxes are9005levied and collected on real property in the taxing district in9006

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| Unless a petition for reassessment of an assessment has          | 9008 |
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| been properly filed pursuant to section 5727.47 of the Revised   | 9009 |
| Code, each preliminary assessment and, if amended, each          | 9010 |
| preliminary assessment as last amended shall become final ninety | 9011 |
| days after certification of the preliminary assessment or thirty | 9012 |
| days after certification of the amended preliminary assessment,  | 9013 |
| whichever is later. If a petition for reassessment is properly   | 9014 |
| filed, the assessment shall become final when the tax            | 9015 |
| commissioner issues a final determination.                       | 9016 |

Neither the certification of any preliminary or amended9017assessment nor the expiration of the period of time that makes9018any assessment final constitutes a final determination,9019assessment, reassessment, valuation, finding, computation, or9020order of the commissioner that is appealable under section90215717.02 of the Revised Code.9022

Sec. 5727.32. (A) For the purpose of the tax imposed by9023section 5727.30 of the Revised Code, the statement required by9024section 5727.31 of the Revised Code shall contain:9025

(1) The name of the company;

(2) The nature of the company, whether a person,
association, or corporation, and under the laws of what state or
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country organized;
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(3) The location of its principal office;

(4) The name and post-office address of the president,
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 secretary, auditor, treasurer, and superintendent or general
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 manager;
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(5) The name and post-office address of the chief officer 9034

| or managing agent of the company in this state;                  | 9035 |
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| (6) The amount of the excise taxes paid or to be paid with       | 9036 |
| the reports made during the current calendar year as provided by | 9037 |
| section 5727.31 of the Revised Code;                             | 9038 |
| (7) In the case of telegraph companies:                          | 9039 |
| (a) The gross receipts from all sources, whether messages,       | 9040 |
| telephone tolls, rentals, or otherwise, for business done within | 9041 |
| this state, including all sums earned or charged, whether        | 9042 |
| actually received or not, for the year ending on the thirtieth   | 9043 |
| day of June, and the company's proportion of gross receipts for  | 9044 |
| business done by it within this state in connection with other   | 9045 |
| companies, firms, corporations, persons, or associations, but    | 9046 |
| excluding all of the following:                                  | 9047 |
| (i) All of the receipts derived wholly from interstate           | 9048 |
| business or business done for or with the federal government;    | 9049 |
| (ii) The receipts of amounts billed on behalf of other           | 9050 |
| entities <del>;</del>  | 9051 |
| (b) The total gross receipts for such period from business       | 9052 |
| done within this state.  | 9053 |
| (8) In the case of all public utilities subject to the tax       | 9054 |
| imposed by section 5727.30 of the Revised Code, except telegraph | 9055 |
| companies:   | 9056 |
| (a) The gross receipts of the company, actually received,        | 9057 |
| from all sources for business done within this state for the     | 9058 |
| year next preceding the first day of May, including the          | 9059 |
| company's proportion of gross receipts for business done by it   | 9060 |
| within this state in connection with other companies, firms,     | 9061 |
| corporations, persons, or associations, but excluding both of    | 9062 |
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| the following:   | 9063 |
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| (i) Receipts from interstate business or business done for       | 9064 |
| the federal government;  | 9065 |
| (ii) Receipts from sales to another public utility for           | 9066 |
| resale, provided such other public utility is subject to the tax | 9067 |
| levied by section 5727.24 or 5727.30 of the Revised Code;        | 9068 |
| (iii) Receipts of a combined company derived from                | 9069 |
| operating as a natural gas company that is subject to the tax    | 9070 |
| imposed by section 5727.24 of the Revised Code.                  | 9071 |
| (b) The total gross receipts of the company, for the year        | 9072 |
| next preceding the first day of May, in this state from business | 9073 |
| done within the state.   | 9074 |
| (B) The reports required by section 5727.31 of the Revised       | 9075 |
| Code shall contain:  | 9076 |
| (1) The name and principal mailing address of the company;       | 9077 |
| (2) The total amount of the gross receipts excise taxes          | 9078 |
| charged or levied as based upon its last preceding annual        | 9079 |
| statement filed prior to the first day of January of the year in | 9080 |
| which such report is filed;                                      | 9081 |
| (3) The amount of the excise taxes due with the report as        | 9082 |
| provided by section 5727.31 of the Revised Code.                 | 9083 |
| Sec. 5727.33. (A) For the purpose of computing the excise        | 9084 |
| tax imposed by section 5727.24 or 5727.30 of the Revised Code,   | 9085 |
| the entire gross receipts actually received from all sources for | 9086 |
| business done within this state are taxable gross receipts,      | 9087 |
| excluding the receipts described in divisions (B), (C), and (D)  | 9088 |
| of this section. The gross receipts for the tax year of each     | 9089 |
| telegraph company shall be computed for the period of the first  | 9090 |

day of July prior to the tax year to the thirtieth day of June 9091 of the tax year. The gross receipts of each natural gas company, 9092 including a combined company's taxable gross receipts attributed 9093 to a natural gas company activity, shall be computed in the 9094 manner required by section 5727.25 of the Revised Code. The 9095 gross receipts for the tax year of any other public utility 9096 subject to section 5727.30 of the Revised Code shall be computed 9097 for the period of the first day of May prior to the tax year to 9098 the thirtieth day of April of the tax year. 9099

(B) In ascertaining and determining the gross receipts of
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 each public utility subject to this section, the following gross
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 receipts are excluded:
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(1) All receipts derived wholly from interstate business; 9103

(2) All receipts derived wholly from business done for or9104with the federal government;9105

(3) All receipts from the sale of merchandise;

(4) All receipts from sales to other public utilities,
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except railroad and telegraph companies, for resale, provided
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the other public utility is subject to the tax levied by section
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5727.24 or 5727.30 of the Revised Code.
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(C) In ascertaining and determining the gross receipts of
a natural gas company, receipts billed on behalf of other
entities are excluded. The tax imposed by section 5729.811
5727.811 of the Revised Code, along with transportation and
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billing and collection fees charged to other entities, shall be
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included in the gross receipts of a natural gas company.
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(D) In ascertaining and determining the gross receipts of
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a combined company subject to the tax imposed by section 5727.30
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of the Revised Code, all receipts derived from operating as a
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natural gas company that are subject to the tax imposed by 9120 section 5727.24 of the Revised Code are excluded. 9121

(E) Except as provided in division (F) of this section,
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the amount ascertained by the commissioner under this section,
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less a deduction of twenty-five thousand dollars, shall be the
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taxable gross receipts of such companies for business done
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within this state for that year.
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(F) The amount ascertained under this section, less the
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following deduction, shall be the taxable gross receipts of a
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natural gas company or combined company subject to the tax
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imposed by section 5727.24 of the Revised Code for business done
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within this state:

(1) For a natural gas company that files quarterly returns
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of the tax imposed by section 5727.24 of the Revised Code, six
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thousand two hundred fifty dollars for each quarterly return;
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(2) For a natural gas company that files an annual return
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of the tax imposed by section 5727.24 of the Revised Code,
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twenty-five thousand dollars for each annual return;
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(3) For a combined company, twenty-five thousand dollars
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on the annual statement filed under section 5727.31 of the
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Revised Code. A combined company shall not be entitled to a
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deduction in computing gross receipts subject to the tax imposed
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by section 5727.24 of the Revised Code.
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 Sec. 5727.80. As used in sections 5727.80 to 5727.95 of
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 the Revised Code:
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(A) "Electric distribution company" means either of the 9145following: 9146

(1) A person who distributes electricity through a meter 9147

of an end user in this state or to an unmetered location in this 9148 state; 9149

(2) The end user of electricity in this state, if the end
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user obtains electricity that is not distributed or transmitted
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to the end user by an electric distribution company that is
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required to remit the tax imposed by section 5727.81 of the
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Revised Code.

"Electric distribution company" does not include an end 9155 user of electricity in this state who self-generates electricity 9156 that is used directly by that end user on the same site that the 9157 electricity is generated or a person that donates all of the 9158 electricity the person generates to a political subdivision of 9159 the state. Division (A)(2) of this section shall not apply to a 9160 political subdivision in this state that is the end user of 9161 electricity that is donated to the political subdivision. 9162

(B) "Kilowatt hour" means one thousand watt hours of9163electricity.9164

(C) For an electric distribution company, "meter of an end
user in this state" means the last meter used to measure the
kilowatt hours distributed by an electric distribution company
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to a location in this state, or the last meter located outside
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of this state that is used to measure the kilowatt hours
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consumed at a location in this state.

(D) "Person" has the same meaning as in section 5701.01 of
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 the Revised Code, but also includes a political subdivision of
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 the state.

(E) "Municipal electric utility" means a municipal
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 corporation that owns or operates a system for the distribution
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 of electricity.

(F) "Qualified end user" means an end user of electricity 9177 that satisfies either of the following criteria: 9178 (1) The end user uses more than three million kilowatt 9179 hours of electricity at one manufacturing location in this state 9180 for a calendar day for use in a qualifying manufacturing 9181 9182 process. (2) The end user uses electricity at a manufacturing 9183 location in this state for use in a chlor-alkali manufacturing 9184 process but, if the end user uses electricity distributed by a 9185 municipal electric utility, the end user can only be a 9186 "qualified end user" upon obtaining the consent of the 9187 legislative authority of the municipal corporation that owns or 9188 operates the utility. 9189 (G) "Qualified regeneration" means a process to convert 9190 electricity to a form of stored energy by means such as using 9191 electricity to compress air for storage or to pump water to an 9192 elevated storage reservoir, if such stored energy is 9193 9194 subsequently used to generate electricity for sale to others

primarily during periods when there is peak demand for 9195 electricity. 9196

(H) "Qualified regeneration meter" means the last meter9197used to measure electricity used in a qualified regeneration9198process.9199

(I) "Qualifying manufacturing process" means an
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 electrochemical manufacturing process or a chlor-alkali
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 manufacturing process.
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(J) "Self-assessing purchaser" means a purchaser that
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meets all the requirements of, and pays the excise tax in
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accordance with, division (C) of section 5727.81 of the Revised
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Code. (K) "Natural gas distribution company" means a natural gas 9207 company or a combined company , as defined in section 5727.01 of 9208 the Revised Code, that is subject to the excise tax imposed by 9209 section 5727.24 of the Revised Code and that distributes natural 9210 qas through a meter of an end user in this state or to an 9211 unmetered location in this state. 9212 (L) "MCF" means one thousand cubic feet. 9213 (M) For a natural gas distribution company, "meter of an 9214 end user in this state" means the last meter used to measure the 9215 MCF of natural gas distributed by a natural gas distribution 9216 company to a location in this state, or the last meter located 9217 outside of this state that is used to measure the natural gas 9218 consumed at a location in this state. 9219 (N) "Flex customer" means an industrial or a commercial 9220 facility that has consumed more than one billion cubic feet of 9221 natural gas a year at a single location during any of the 9222 previous five years, or an industrial or a commercial end user 9223 of natural gas that purchases natural gas distribution services 9224 9225 from a natural gas distribution company at discounted rates or charges established in any of the following: 9226 9227 (1) A special arrangement subject to review and regulation by the public utilities commission under section 4905.31 of the 9228 Revised Code; 9229

(2) A special arrangement with a natural gas distribution company pursuant to a municipal ordinance;

(3) A variable rate schedule that permits rates to vary 9232 between defined amounts, provided that the schedule is on file 9233 with the public utilities commission. 9234

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An end user that meets this definition on January 1, 2000, 9235 or thereafter is a "flex customer" for purposes of determining 9236 the rate of taxation under division (D) of section 5727.811 of 9237 the Revised Code. 9238

(0) "Electrochemical manufacturing process" means the
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performance of an electrochemical reaction in which electrons
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from direct current electricity remain a part of the product
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being manufactured. "Electrochemical manufacturing process" does
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not include a chlor-alkali manufacturing process.

(P) "Chlor-alkali manufacturing process" means a process
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that uses electricity to produce chlorine and other chemicals
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through the electrolysis of a salt solution.
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Sec. 5727.83. (A) A natural gas distribution company, an9247electric distribution company, or a self-assessing purchaser9248shall remit each tax payment by electronic funds transfer as9249prescribed by divisions (B) and (C) of this section.9250

The tax commissioner shall notify each natural gas 9251 distribution company, electric distribution company, and self-9252 assessing purchaser of the obligation to remit taxes by 9253 9254 electronic funds transfer, shall maintain an updated list of those companies and purchasers, and shall timely certify to the 9255 9256 treasurer of state the list and any additions thereto or deletions therefrom. Failure by the tax commissioner to notify a 9257 company or self-assessing purchaser subject to this section to 9258 remit taxes by electronic funds transfer does not relieve the 9259 company or self-assessing purchaser of its obligation to remit 9260 taxes in that manner. 9261

(B) A natural gas distribution company, an electric9262distribution company, or a self-assessing purchaser required by9263

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this section to remit payments by electronic funds transfer 9264 shall remit such payments to the treasurer of state in the 9265 manner prescribed by rules adopted by the treasurer of state 9266 under section 113.061 of the Revised Code, and on or before the 9267 dates specified under section 5727.82 of the Revised Code. The 92.68 payment of taxes by electronic funds transfer does not affect a 9269 company's or self-assessing purchaser's obligation to file a 9270 return as required under section 5727.82 of the Revised Code. 9271

9272 (C) A natural gas distribution company, an electric 9273 distribution company, or a self-assessing purchaser required by 9274 this section to remit taxes by electronic funds transfer may apply to the treasurer of state in the manner prescribed by the 9275 treasurer of state to be excused from that requirement. The 9276 treasurer of state may excuse the company or self-assessing 9277 purchaser from remittance by electronic funds transfer for good 9278 cause shown for the period of time requested by the company or 9279 self-assessing purchaser or for a portion of that period. The 9280 treasurer of state shall notify the tax commissioner and the 9281 company or self-assessing purchaser of the treasurer of state's 9282 decision as soon as is practicable. 9283

(D) If a natural gas distribution company, an electric 9284 9285 distribution company, or a self-assessing purchaser required by this section to remit taxes by electronic funds transfer remits 9286 those taxes by some means other than by electronic funds 9287 transfer as prescribed by this section and the rules adopted by 9288 the treasurer of state, and the treasurer of state determines 9289 that such failure was not due to reasonable cause or was due to 9290 willful neglect, the treasurer of state shall notify the tax 9291 commissioner of the failure to remit by electronic funds 9292 transfer and shall provide the commissioner with any information 9293 used in making that determination. The tax commissioner may 9294

collect an additional charge by assessment in the manner 9295 prescribed by section 5727.89 of the Revised Code. The 9296 additional charge shall equal five per cent of the amount of the 9297 taxes required to be paid by electronic funds transfer, but 9298 shall not exceed five thousand dollars. Any additional charge 9299 assessed under this section is in addition to any other penalty 9300 or charge imposed under this chapter, and shall be considered as 9301 revenue arising from the tax imposed under this chapter. The tax 9302 commissioner may abate all or a portion of such a charge and may 9303 9304 adopt rules governing such abatements.

No additional charge shall be assessed under this division 9305 against a natural gas distribution company, an electric 9306 distribution company, or a self-assessing purchaser that has 9307 been notified of its obligation to remit taxes under this 9308 section and that remits its first two tax payments after such 9309 notification by some means other than electronic funds transfer. 9310 The additional charge may be assessed upon the remittance of any 9311 subsequent tax payment that the company or purchaser remits by -9312 dome\_some means other than electronic funds transfer. 9313

Sec. 5727.84. No determinations, computations,9314certifications, or payments shall be made under this section9315after June 30, 2015.9316

(A) As used in this section and sections  $5727.85_{-}$  and 9317 5727.86, and 5727.87 of the Revised Code: 9318

(1) "School district" means a city, local, or exempted9319village school district.9320

(2) "Joint vocational school district" means a joint
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 vocational school district created under section 3311.16 of the
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 Revised Code, and includes a cooperative education school
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district created under section 3311.52 or 3311.521 of the9324Revised Code and a county school financing district created9325under section 3311.50 of the Revised Code.9326

(3) "Local taxing unit" means a subdivision or taxing
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unit, as defined in section 5705.01 of the Revised Code, a park
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district created under Chapter 1545. of the Revised Code, or a
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township park district established under section 511.23 of the
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Revised Code, but excludes school districts and joint vocational
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(4) "State education aid," for a school district, means the following:

(a) For fiscal years prior to fiscal year 2010, the sum of 9335 state aid amounts computed for the district under former 9336 sections 3317.029, 3317.052, and 3317.053 of the Revised Code 9337 and the following provisions, as they existed for the applicable 9338 fiscal year: divisions (A), (C)(1), (C)(4), (D), (E), and (F) of 9339 section 3317.022; divisions (B), (C), and (D) of section 9340 3317.023; divisions (G), (L), and (N) of section 3317.024; and 9341 sections 3317.0216, 3317.0217, 3317.04, and 3317.05 of the 9342 Revised Code; and the adjustments required by: division (C) of 9343 section 3310.08; division (C)(2) of section 3310.41; division 9344 (C) of section 3314.08; division (D)(2) of section 3314.091; 9345 division (D) of former section 3314.13; divisions (E), (K), (L), 9346 (M), and (N) of section 3317.023; division (C) of section 9347 3317.20; and sections 3313.979 and 3313.981 of the Revised Code. 9348 However, when calculating state education aid for a school 9349 district for fiscal years 2008 and 2009, include the amount 9350 computed for the district under Section 269.20.80 of H.B. 119 of 9351 the 127th general assembly, as subsequently amended, instead of 9352 division (D) of section 3317.022 of the Revised Code; and 9353

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| include amounts calculated under Section 269.30.80 of H.B. 119   | 9354 |
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| of the 127th general assembly, as subsequently amended.          | 9355 |
| (b) For fiscal years 2010 and 2011, the sum of the amounts       | 9356 |
| computed for the district under former sections 3306.052,        | 9357 |
| 3306.12, 3306.13, 3306.19, 3306.191, 3306.192, 3317.052, and     | 9358 |
| 3317.053 of the Revised Code and the following provisions, as    | 9359 |
| they existed for the applicable fiscal year: division (G) of     | 9360 |
| section 3317.024; section 3317.05 of the Revised Code; and the   | 9361 |
| adjustments required by division (C) of section 3310.08;         | 9362 |
| division (C)(2) of section 3310.41; division (C) of section      | 9363 |
| 3314.08; division (D)(2) of section 3314.091; division (D) of    | 9364 |
| former section 3314.13; divisions (E), (K), (L), (M), and (N) of | 9365 |
| section 3317.023; division (C) of section 3317.20; and sections  | 9366 |
| 3313.979, 3313.981, and 3326.33 of the Revised Code.             | 9367 |
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(c) For fiscal years 2012 and 2013, the amount paid in 9368 accordance with the section of H.B. 153 of the 129th general 9369 assembly entitled "FUNDING FOR CITY, EXEMPTED VILLAGE, AND LOCAL 9370 SCHOOL DISTRICTS" and the adjustments required by division (C) 9371 of section 3310.08; division (C)(2) of section 3310.41; section 9372 3310.55; division (C) of section 3314.08; division (D)(2) of 9373 section 3314.091; division (D) of former section 3314.13; 9374 divisions (B), (H), (I), (J), and (K) of section 3317.023; 9375 division (C) of section 3317.20; and sections 3313.979 and 9376 3313.981 of the Revised Code; 9377

(d) For fiscal year 2014 and each fiscal year thereafter,
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the sum of amounts computed for and paid to the district under
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section 3317.022 of the Revised Code; and the adjustments
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required by division (C) of section 3310.08, division (C) (2) of
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section 3310.41, section 3310.55, division (C) of section
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3314.08, division (D) (2) of section 3314.091, divisions (B),
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(H), (J), and (K) of section 3317.023, and sections 3313.978,
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3313.981, 3317.0212, 3317.0213, 3317.0214, and 3326.33 of the
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Revised Code. However, for fiscal years 2014 and 2015, the
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amount computed for the district under the section of this act
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entitled "TRANSITIONAL AID FOR CITY, LOCAL, AND EXEMPTED VILLAGE
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SCHOOL DISTRICTS" also shall be included.
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(5) "State education aid," for a joint vocational school district, means the following:

(a) For fiscal years prior to fiscal year 2010, the sum of 9392 the state aid amounts computed for the district under division 9393 (N) of section 3317.024 and section 3317.16 of the Revised Code. 9394 However, when calculating state education aid for a joint 9395 vocational school district for fiscal years 2008 and 2009, 9396 include the amount computed for the district under Section 9397 269.30.90 of H.B. 119 of the 127th general assembly, as 9398 9399 subsequently amended.

(b) For fiscal years 2010 and 2011, the amount computed
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for the district in accordance with the section of H.B. 1 of the
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128th general assembly entitled "FUNDING FOR JOINT VOCATIONAL
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SCHOOL DISTRICTS."

(c) For fiscal years 2012 and 2013, the amount paid in 9404 accordance with the section of H.B. 153 of the 129th general 9405 assembly entitled "FUNDING FOR JOINT VOCATIONAL SCHOOL 9406 DISTRICTS."

(d) For fiscal year 2014 and each fiscal year thereafter,
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the amount computed for the district under section 3317.16 of
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the Revised Code; except that, for fiscal years 2014 and 2015,
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the amount computed for the district under the section of this
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act entitled "TRANSITIONAL AID FOR JOINT VOCATIONAL SCHOOL
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9390 9391 DISTRICTS" shall be included.

(6) "State education aid offset" means the amount 9414 determined for each school district or joint vocational school 9415 district under division (A)(1) of section 5727.85 of the Revised 9416 Code. 9417

(7) "Recognized valuation" means the amount computed for a 9418 school district pursuant to section 3317.015 of the Revised 9419 9420 Code.

(8) "Electric company tax value loss" means the amount 9421 determined under division (D) of this section. 9422

(9) "Natural gas company tax value loss" means the amount 9423 determined under division (E) of this section. 9424

9425 (10) "Tax value loss" means the sum of the electric company tax value loss and the natural gas company tax value 9426 loss. 9427

(11) "Fixed-rate levy" means any tax levied on property 9428 other than a fixed-sum levy. 9429

(12) "Fixed-rate levy loss" means the amount determined 9430 under division (G) of this section. 9431

(13) "Fixed-sum levy" means a tax levied on property at 9432 whatever rate is required to produce a specified amount of tax 9433 money or levied in excess of the ten-mill limitation to pay debt 9434 charges, and includes school district emergency levies charged 9435 and payable pursuant to section 5705.194 of the Revised Code. 9436

(14) "Fixed-sum levy loss" means the amount determined 9437 under division (H) of this section. 9438

(15) "Consumer price index" means the consumer price index 9439

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(all items, all urban consumers) prepared by the bureau of labor 9440
statistics of the United States department of labor. 9441

(16) "Total resources" and "total library resources" have9442the same meanings as in section 5751.20 of the Revised Code.9443

(17) "2011 current expense S.B. 3 allocation" means the 9444 sum of payments received by a school district or joint 9445 vocational school district in fiscal year 2011 for current 9446 9447 expense levy losses pursuant to division (C)(2) of section 5727.85 of the Revised Code. If a fixed-rate levy eligible for 9448 reimbursement is not charged and payable in any year after tax 9449 year 2010, "2011 current expense S.B. 3 allocation" used to 9450 compute payments to be made under division (C)(3) of section 9451 5727.85 of the Revised Code in the tax years following the last 9452 year the levy is charged and payable shall be reduced to the 9453 extent that those payments are attributable to the fixed-rate 9454 levy loss of that levy. 9455

(18) "2010 current expense S.B. 3 allocation" means the 9456 sum of payments received by a municipal corporation in calendar 9457 year 2010 for current expense levy losses pursuant to division 9458 (A) (1) of section 5727.86 of the Revised Code, excluding any 9459 such payments received for current expense levy losses 9460 attributable to a tax levied under section 5705.23 of the 9461 Revised Code. If a fixed-rate levy eligible for reimbursement is 9462 not charged and payable in any year after tax year 2010, "2010 9463 current expense S.B. 3 allocation" used to compute payments to 9464 be made under division (A)(1)(d) or (e) of section 5727.86 of 9465 the Revised Code in the tax years following the last year the 9466 levy is charged and payable shall be reduced to the extent that 9467 those payments are attributable to the fixed-rate levy loss of 9468 that levy. 9469

(19) "2010 S.B. 3 allocation" means the sum of payments 9470 received by a local taxing unit during calendar year 2010 9471 pursuant to division (A)(1) of section 5727.86 of the Revised 9472 Code, excluding any such payments received for fixed-rate levy 9473 losses attributable to a tax levied under section 5705.23 of the 9474 Revised Code. If a fixed-rate levy eligible for reimbursement is 9475 not charged and payable in any year after tax year 2010, "2010 9476 S.B. 3 allocation" used to compute payments to be made under 9477 division (A)(1)(d) or (e) of section 5727.86 of the Revised Code 9478 in the tax years following the last year the levy is charged and 9479 payable shall be reduced to the extent that those payments are 9480 attributable to the fixed-rate levy loss of that levy. 9481

(20) "Total S.B. 3 allocation" means, in the case of a 9482 school district or joint vocational school district, the sum of 9483 the payments received in fiscal year 2011 pursuant to divisions 9484 (C)(2) and (D) of section 5727.85 of the Revised Code. In the 9485 case of a local taxing unit, "total S.B. 3 allocation" means the 9486 sum of payments received by the unit in calendar year 2010 9487 pursuant to divisions (A) (1) and (4) of section 5727.86 of the 9488 Revised Code, excluding any such payments received for fixed-9489 rate levy losses attributable to a tax levied under section 9490 5705.23 of the Revised Code. If a fixed-rate levy eligible for 9491 reimbursement is not charged and payable in any year after tax 9492 year 2010, "total S.B. 3 allocation" used to compute payments to 9493 be made under division (C)(3) of section 5727.85 or division (A) 9494 (1) (d) or (e) of section 5727.86 of the Revised Code in the tax 9495 years following the last year the levy is charged and payable 9496 shall be reduced to the extent that those payments are 9497 attributable to the fixed-rate levy loss of that levy as would 9498 be computed under division (C)(2) of section 5727.85 or division 9499 (A) (1) (b) of section 5727.86 of the Revised Code. 9500

(21) "2011 non-current expense S.B. 3 allocation" means
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the difference of a school district's or joint vocational school
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district's total S.B. 3 allocation minus the sum of the school
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district's 2011 current expense S.B. 3 allocation and the
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portion of the school district's total S.B. 3 allocation
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constituting reimbursement for debt levies pursuant to division
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(D) of section 5727.85 of the Revised Code.

(22) "2010 non-current expense S.B. 3 allocation" means
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the difference of a municipal corporation's total S.B. 3
allocation minus the sum of its 2010 current expense S.B. 3
allocation and the portion of its total S.B. 3 allocation
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constituting reimbursement for debt levies pursuant to division
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(A) (4) of section 5727.86 of the Revised Code.

(23) "S.B. 3 allocation for library purposes" means, in 9514 the case of a county, municipal corporation, school district, or 9515 township public library that receives the proceeds of a tax 9516 levied under section 5705.23 of the Revised Code, the sum of the 9517 payments received by the public library in calendar year 2010 9518 pursuant to section 5727.86 of the Revised Code for fixed-rate 9519 levy losses attributable to a tax levied under section 5705.23 9520 of the Revised Code. If a fixed-rate levy authorized under 9521 9522 section 5705.23 of the Revised Code that is eligible for reimbursement is not charged and payable in any year after tax 9523 year 2010, "S.B. 3 allocation for library purposes" used to 9524 compute payments to be made under division (A) (1) (f) of section 9525 5727.86 of the Revised Code in the tax years following the last 9526 year the levy is charged and payable shall be reduced to the 9527 extent that those payments are attributable to the fixed-rate 9528 levy loss of that levy as would be computed under division (A) 9529 (1) (b) of section 5727.86 of the Revised Code. 9530

(24) "Threshold per cent" means, in the case of a school 9531 district or joint vocational school district, two per cent for 9532 fiscal year 2012 and four per cent for fiscal years 2013 and 9533 thereafter. In the case of a local taxing unit or public library 9534 that receives the proceeds of a tax levied under section 5705.23 9535 of the Revised Code, "threshold per cent" means two per cent for 9536 calendar year 2011, four per cent for calendar year 2012, and 9537 six per cent for calendar years 2013 and thereafter. 9538

(B) The kilowatt-hour tax receipts fund is hereby created 9539 in the state treasury and shall consist of money arising from 9540 the tax imposed by section 5727.81 of the Revised Code. All 9541 money in the kilowatt-hour tax receipts fund shall be credited 9542 as follows: 9543

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(C) The natural gas tax receipts fund is hereby created in 9545 the state treasury and shall consist of money arising from the 9546 tax imposed by section 5727.811 of the Revised Code. All money 9547 in the fund shall be credited as follows for fiscal years before 9548 fiscal year 2012: 9549

(1) Sixty-eight and seven-tenths per cent shall be 9550

credited to the school district property tax replacement fund9551for the purpose of making the payments described in section95525727.85 of the Revised Code.9553

(2) Thirty-one and three-tenths per cent shall be credited
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 to the local government property tax replacement fund for the
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 purpose of making the payments described in section 5727.86 of
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 the Revised Code.

(D) Not later than January 1, 2002, the tax commissioner
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shall determine for each taxing district its electric company
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tax value loss, which is the sum of the applicable amounts
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described in divisions (D) (1) to (4) of this section:
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(1) The difference obtained by subtracting the amount
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 described in division (D) (1) (b) from the amount described in
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 division (D) (1) (a) of this section.

(a) The value of electric company and rural electric
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company tangible personal property as assessed by the tax
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commissioner for tax year 1998 on a preliminary assessment, or
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an amended preliminary assessment if issued prior to March 1,
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1999, and as apportioned to the taxing district for tax year
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1998;

(b) The value of electric company and rural electric
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company tangible personal property as assessed by the tax
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commissioner for tax year 1998 had the property been apportioned
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to the taxing district for tax year 2001, and assessed at the
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rates in effect for tax year 2001.

(2) The difference obtained by subtracting the amount
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described in division (D) (2) (b) from the amount described in
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division (D) (2) (a) of this section.

(a) The three-year average for tax years 1996, 1997, and 9579

1998 of the assessed value from nuclear fuel materials and9580assemblies assessed against a person under Chapter 5711. of the9581Revised Code from the leasing of them to an electric company for9582those respective tax years, as reflected in the preliminary9583assessments;9584

(b) The three-year average assessed value from nuclear
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fuel materials and assemblies assessed under division (D) (2) (a)
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of this section for tax years 1996, 1997, and 1998, as reflected
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in the preliminary assessments, using an assessment rate of
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twenty-five per cent.

(3) In the case of a taxing district having a nuclear
power plant within its territory, any amount, resulting in an
electric company tax value loss, obtained by subtracting the
amount described in division (D) (1) of this section from the
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difference obtained by subtracting the amount described in
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division (D) (3) (b) of this section from the amount described in
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division (D) (3) (a) of this section.

(a) The value of electric company tangible personal
property as assessed by the tax commissioner for tax year 2000
on a preliminary assessment, or an amended preliminary
assessment if issued prior to March 1, 2001, and as apportioned
to the taxing district for tax year 2000;

(b) The value of electric company tangible personal9602property as assessed by the tax commissioner for tax year 20019603on a preliminary assessment, or an amended preliminary9604assessment if issued prior to March 1, 2002, and as apportioned9605to the taxing district for tax year 2001.9606

(4) In the case of a taxing district having a nuclear9607power plant within its territory, the difference obtained by9608

subtracting the amount described in division (D) (4) (b) of this9609section from the amount described in division (D) (4) (a) of this9610section, provided that such difference is greater than ten per9611cent of the amount described in division (D) (4) (a) of this9612section.9613

(a) The value of electric company tangible personal
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property as assessed by the tax commissioner for tax year 2005
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on a preliminary assessment, or an amended preliminary
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assessment if issued prior to March 1, 2006, and as apportioned
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to the taxing district for tax year 2005;
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(b) The value of electric company tangible personal
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property as assessed by the tax commissioner for tax year 2006
on a preliminary assessment, or an amended preliminary
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assessment if issued prior to March 1, 2007, and as apportioned
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to the taxing district for tax year 2006.
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(E) Not later than January 1, 2002, the tax commissioner
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shall determine for each taxing district its natural gas company
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tax value loss, which is the sum of the amounts described in
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divisions (E) (1) and (2) of this section:
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(1) The difference obtained by subtracting the amount
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described in division (E) (1) (b) from the amount described in
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division (E) (1) (a) of this section.
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(a) The value of all natural gas company tangible personal
property, other than property described in division (E) (2) of
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this section, as assessed by the tax commissioner for tax year
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1999 on a preliminary assessment, or an amended preliminary
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assessment if issued prior to March 1, 2000, and apportioned to
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the taxing district for tax year 1999;

(b) The value of all natural gas company tangible personal 9637

property, other than property described in division (E)(2) of 9638 this section, as assessed by the tax commissioner for tax year 9639 1999 had the property been apportioned to the taxing district 9640 for tax year 2001, and assessed at the rates in effect for tax 9641 year 2001. 9642

(2) The difference in the value of current gas obtained by
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subtracting the amount described in division (E) (2) (b) from the
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amount described in division (E) (2) (a) of this section.
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(a) The three-year average assessed value of current gas
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as assessed by the tax commissioner for tax years 1997, 1998,
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and 1999 on a preliminary assessment, or an amended preliminary
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assessment if issued prior to March 1, 2001, and as apportioned
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in the taxing district for those respective years;

(b) The three-year average assessed value from current gas
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under division (E) (2) (a) of this section for tax years 1997,
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1998, and 1999, as reflected in the preliminary assessment,
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using an assessment rate of twenty-five per cent.
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(F) The tax commissioner may request that natural gas
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companies, electric companies, and rural electric companies file
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a report to help determine the tax value loss under divisions
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(D) and (E) of this section. The report shall be filed within
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thirty days of the commissioner's request. A company that fails
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to file the report or does not timely file the report is subject
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to the penalty in section 5727.60 of the Revised Code.

(G) Not later than January 1, 2002, the tax commissioner
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shall determine for each school district, joint vocational
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school district, and local taxing unit its fixed-rate levy loss,
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which is the sum of its electric company tax value loss
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multiplied by the tax rate in effect in tax year 1998 for fixed-

rate levies and its natural gas company tax value loss 9667 multiplied by the tax rate in effect in tax year 1999 for fixed- 9668 rate levies. 9669

(H) Not later than January 1, 2002, the tax commissioner
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shall determine for each school district, joint vocational
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school district, and local taxing unit its fixed-sum levy loss,
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which is the amount obtained by subtracting the amount described
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in division (H) (2) of this section from the amount described in
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division (H) (1) of this section:

9676 (1) The sum of the electric company tax value loss multiplied by the tax rate in effect in tax year 1998, and the 9677 natural gas company tax value loss multiplied by the tax rate in 9678 effect in tax year 1999, for fixed-sum levies for all taxing 9679 districts within each school district, joint vocational school 9680 district, and local taxing unit. For the years 2002 through 9681 2006, this computation shall include school district emergency 9682 levies that existed in 1998 in the case of the electric company 9683 tax value loss, and 1999 in the case of the natural gas company 9684 tax value loss, and all other fixed-sum levies that existed in 9685 9686 1998 in the case of the electric company tax value loss and 1999 in the case of the natural gas company tax value loss and 9687 continue to be charged in the tax year preceding the 9688 distribution year. For the years 2007 through 2016 in the case 9689 of school district emergency levies, and for all years after 9690 2006 in the case of all other fixed-sum levies, this computation 9691 shall exclude all fixed-sum levies that existed in 1998 in the 9692 case of the electric company tax value loss and 1999 in the case 9693 of the natural gas company tax value loss, but are no longer in 9694 effect in the tax year preceding the distribution year. For the 9695 purposes of this section, an emergency levy that existed in 1998 9696 in the case of the electric company tax value loss, and 1999 in 9697 the case of the natural gas company tax value loss, continues to9698exist in a year beginning on or after January 1, 2007, but9699before January 1, 2017, if, in that year, the board of education9700levies a school district emergency levy for an annual sum at9701least equal to the annual sum levied by the board in tax year97021998 or 1999, respectively, less the amount of the payment9703certified under this division for 2002.9704

(2) The total taxable value in tax year 1999 less the tax
value loss in each school district, joint vocational school
district, and local taxing unit multiplied by one-fourth of one
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mill.

If the amount computed under division (H) of this section 9709 for any school district, joint vocational school district, or 9710 local taxing unit is greater than zero, that amount shall equal 9711 the fixed-sum levy loss reimbursed pursuant to division (F) of 9712 section 5727.85 of the Revised Code or division (A)(2) of 9713 section 5727.86 of the Revised Code, and the one-fourth of one 9714 mill that is subtracted under division (H)(2) of this section 9715 shall be apportioned among all contributing fixed-sum levies in 9716 the proportion of each levy to the sum of all fixed-sum levies 9717 within each school district, joint vocational school district, 9718 or local taxing unit. 9719

(I) Notwithstanding divisions (D), (E), (G), and (H) of 9720 this section, in computing the tax value loss, fixed-rate levy 9721 loss, and fixed-sum levy loss, the tax commissioner shall use 9722 the greater of the 1998 tax rate or the 1999 tax rate in the 9723 case of levy losses associated with the electric company tax 9724 value loss, but the 1999 tax rate shall not include for this 9725 purpose any tax levy approved by the voters after June 30, 1999, 9726 and the tax commissioner shall use the greater of the 1999 or 9727

the 2000 tax rate in the case of levy losses associated with the 9728 natural gas company tax value loss.

(J) Not later than January 1, 2002, the tax commissioner 9730 shall certify to the department of education the tax value loss 9731 determined under divisions (D) and (E) of this section for each 9732 taxing district, the fixed-rate levy loss calculated under 9733 division (G) of this section, and the fixed-sum levy loss 9734 calculated under division (H) of this section. The calculations 9735 under divisions (G) and (H) of this section shall separately 9736 display the levy loss for each levy eligible for reimbursement. 9737

(K) Not later than September 1, 2001, the tax commissioner 9738 shall certify the amount of the fixed-sum levy loss to the 9739 county auditor of each county in which a school district with a 9740 fixed-sum levy loss has territory. 9741

Sec. 5729.98. (A) To provide a uniform procedure for 9742 calculating the amount of tax due under this chapter, a taxpayer 9743 shall claim any credits and offsets against tax liability to 9744 which it is entitled in the following order: 9745

(1) The credit for an insurance company or insurance 9746 company group under section 5729.031 of the Revised Code; 9747

(2) The credit for eligible employee training costs under 9748 section 5729.07 of the Revised Code; 9749

(3) The credit for purchases of qualified low-income 9750 community investments under section 5729.16 of the Revised Code; 9751

(4) The nonrefundable job retention credit under division 9752 (B) of section 122.171 of the Revised Code; 9753

(5) The nonrefundable credit for investments in rural 9754 business growth funds under section 122.152 of the Revised Code; 9755

(6) The offset of assessments by the Ohio life and health
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insurance guaranty association against tax liability permitted
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by section 3956.20 of the Revised Code;
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(7) The refundable credit for rehabilitating a historic
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building under section 5729.17 of the Revised Code-;
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(8) The refundable credit for Ohio job retention under
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former division (B) (2) or (3) of section 122.171 of the Revised
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Code as those divisions existed before September 29, 2015, the
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effective date of the amendment of this section by H.B. 64 of
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the 131st general assembly;
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(9) The refundable credit for Ohio job creation under9766section 5729.032 of the Revised Code;9767

(10) The refundable credit under section 5729.08 of the
Revised Code for losses on loans made under the Ohio venture
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capital program under sections 150.01 to 150.10 of the Revised
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Code.

(B) For any credit except the refundable credits 9772 enumerated in this section, the amount of the credit for a 9773 taxable year shall not exceed the tax due after allowing for any 9774 other credit that precedes it in the order required under this 9775 section. Any excess amount of a particular credit may be carried 9776 forward if authorized under the section creating that credit. 9777 Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to allow a taxpayer 9778 to claim, directly or indirectly, a credit more than once for a 9779 taxable year. 9780

Sec. 5733.042. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Affiliated group" has the same meaning as in section 97821504 of the Internal Revenue Code. 9783

(2) "Asset value" means the adjusted basis of assets as
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determined in accordance with Subchapter O of the Internal
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Revenue Code and the Treasury Regulations thereunder.
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(3) "Intangible expenses and costs" include expenses, 9787 losses, and costs for, related to, or in connection directly or 9788 indirectly with the direct or indirect acquisition of, the 9789 direct or indirect use of, the direct or indirect maintenance or 9790 management of, the direct or indirect ownership of, the direct 9791 or indirect sale of, the direct or indirect exchange of, or any 9792 other direct or indirect disposition of intangible property to 9793 the extent such amounts are allowed as deductions or costs in 9794 determining taxable income before operating loss deduction and 9795 special deductions for the taxable year under the Internal 9796 Revenue Code. Such expenses and costs include, but are not 9797 limited to, losses related to or incurred in connection directly 9798 or indirectly with factoring transactions, losses related to or 9799 incurred in connection directly or indirectly with discounting 9800 transactions, royalty, patent, technical, and copyright fees, 9801 licensing fees, and other similar expenses and costs. 9802

(4) "Interest expenses and costs" include but are not
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limited to amounts directly or indirectly allowed as deductions
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under section 163 of the Internal Revenue Code for purposes of
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determining taxable income under the Internal Revenue Code.
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(5) "Member" has the same meaning as in U.S. Treasury 9807Regulation section 1.1502-1. 9808

(6) "Related member" means a person that, with respect to
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the taxpayer during all or any portion of the taxable year, is a
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"related entity" as defined in division (I) (12) (c) of section
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5733.04 of the Revised Code, is a component member as defined in
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section 1563 (b) of the Internal Revenue Code, or is a person to
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or from whom there is attribution of stock ownership in9814accordance with section 1563(e) of the Internal Revenue Code9815except, for purposes of determining whether a person is a9816related member under this division, "twenty per cent" shall be9817substituted for "5 per cent" wherever "5 per cent" appears in9818section 1563(e) of the Internal Revenue Code.9819

(B) This section applies to all corporations for tax years
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1999 and thereafter. For tax years prior to 1999, this section
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applies only to a corporation that has, or is a member of an
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affiliated group that has, or is a member of an affiliated group
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with another member that has, one or more of the following:
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(1) Gross sales, including sales to other members of the
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affiliated group, during the taxable year of at least fifty
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million dollars;

(2) Total assets whose asset value at any time during the9828taxable year is at least twenty-five million dollars;9829

(3) Taxable income before operating loss deduction and9830special deductions during the taxable year of at least five9831hundred thousand dollars.9832

(C) For purposes of computing its net income under
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division (I) of section 5733.04 of the Revised Code, the
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corporation shall add interest expenses and costs and intangible
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expenses and costs directly or indirectly paid, accrued, or
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incurred to, or in connection directly or indirectly with one or
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more direct or indirect transactions with, one or more of the
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following related members:

(1) Any related member whose activities, in any one state,
are primarily limited to the maintenance and management of
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intangible investments or of the intangible investments of
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corporations, business trusts, or other entities registered as 9843 investment companies under the "Investment Company Act of 1940," 9844 15 U.S.C. 80a-1 et seq., as amended, and the collection and 9845 distribution of the income from such investments or from 9846 tangible property physically located outside such state. For 9847 purposes of division (C)(1) of this section, "intangible 9848 investments" includes, without limitation, investments in 9849 stocks, bonds, notes, and other debt obligations, including debt 9850 obligations of related members, interests in partnerships, 9851 9852 patents, patent applications, trademarks, trade names, and similar types of intangible assets. 9853

(2) Any related member that is a personal holding company 9854 as defined in section 542 of the Internal Revenue Code without 9855 regard to the stock ownership requirements set forth in section 9856 542(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code;

(3) Any related member that is not a corporation and is 9858 directly, indirectly, constructively, or beneficially owned in 9859 whole or in part by a personal holding company as defined in 9860 section 542 of the Internal Revenue Code without regard to the 9861 stock ownership requirements set forth in section 542(a)(2) of 9862 the Internal Revenue Code; 9863

(4) Any related member that is a foreign personal holding 9864 company as defined in section 552 of the Internal Revenue Code; 9865

(5) Any related member that is not a corporation and is 9866 directly, indirectly, constructively, or beneficially owned in 9867 whole or in part by a foreign personal holding company as 9868 defined in section 552 of the Internal Revenue Code; 9869

(6) Any related member if that related member or another 9870 related member directly or indirectly paid, accrued, or incurred 9871

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to, or in connection directly or indirectly with one or more 9872 direct or indirect transactions with, another related member any 9873 interest expenses and costs or intangible expenses and costs in 9874 an amount less than, equal to, or greater than such amounts 9875 received from the corporation. Division (C)(6) of this section 9876 applies only if, within a one-hundred-twenty-month period 9877 commencing three years prior to the beginning of the tax year, a 9878 related member directly or indirectly paid, accrued, or incurred 9879 such amounts or losses with respect to one or more direct or 9880 indirect transactions with an entity described in divisions (C) 9881 (1) to (5) of this section. A rebuttable presumption exists that 9882 a related member did so pay, accrue, or incur such amounts or 9883 losses with respect to one or more direct or indirect 9884 transactions with an entity described in divisions (C)(1) to (5) 9885 of this section. A corporation can rebut this presumption only 9886 with a preponderance of the evidence to the contrary. 9887

(7) Any related member that, with respect to indebtedness 9888 directly or indirectly owed by the corporation to the related 9889 member, directly or indirectly charged or imposed on the 9890 corporation an excess interest rate. If the related member has 9891 charged or imposed on the corporation an excess interest rate, 9892 the adjustment required by division (C)(7) of this section with 9893 respect to such interest expenses and costs directly or 9894 indirectly paid, accrued, or incurred to the related member in 9895 connection with such indebtedness does not include so much of 9896 such interest expenses and costs that the corporation would have 9897 directly or indirectly paid, accrued, or incurred if the related 9898 member had charged or imposed the highest possible interest rate 9899 that would not have been an excess interest rate. For purposes 9900 of division (C)(7) of this section, an excess interest rate is 9901 an annual rate that exceeds by more than three per cent the 9902

greater of the rate per annum prescribed by section 5703.47 of9903the Revised Code in effect at the time of the origination of the9904indebtedness, or the rate per annum prescribed by section99055703.47 of the Revised Code in effect at the time the9906corporation paid, accrued, or incurred the interest expense or9907cost to the related member.9908

(D) (1) In making the adjustment required by division (C) 9909
of this section, the corporation shall make the adjustment 9910
required by section 5733.057 of the Revised Code. The 9911
adjustments required by division (C) of this section are not 9912
required if either of the following applies: 9913

(a) The corporation establishes by clear and convincing9914evidence that the adjustments are unreasonable.9915

(b) The corporation and the tax commissioner agree in 9916 writing to the application or use of alternative adjustments and 9917 computations to more properly reflect the base required to be 9918 determined in accordance with division (B) of section 5733.05 of 9919 the Revised Code. Nothing in division (D)(1)(b) of this section 9920 shall be construed to limit or negate the tax commissioner's 9921 authority to otherwise enter into agreements and compromises 9922 otherwise allowed by law. 9923

(2) The adjustments required by divisions (C) (1) to (5) of
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this section do not apply to such portion of interest expenses
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and costs and intangible expenses and costs that the corporation
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can establish by the preponderance of the evidence meets both of
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the following:

(a) The related member during the same taxable year9929directly or indirectly paid, accrued, or incurred such portion9930to a person who is not a related member.9931

(b) The transaction giving rise to the interest expenses
and costs or the intangible expenses and costs between the
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corporation and the related member did not have as a principal
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purpose the avoidance of any portion of the tax due under this
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chapter.

(3) The adjustments required by division (C) (6) of this
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section do not apply to such portion of interest expenses and
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costs and intangible expenses and costs that the corporation can
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establish by the preponderance of the evidence meets both of the
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following:

(a) The entity described in any of divisions (C) (1) to (6)
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of this section to whom the related member directly or
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indirectly paid, accrued, or incurred such portion, in turn
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during the same taxable year directly or indirectly paid,
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accrued or incurred such portion to a person who is not a
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related member, and

(b) The transaction or transactions giving rise to the 9948
interest expenses and costs or the intangible expenses and costs 9949
between the corporation, the related member, and the entity 9950
described in any of divisions (C) (1) to (5) of this section did 9951
not have as a principal purpose the avoidance of any portion of 9952
the tax due under this chapter. 9953

(4) The adjustments required by division (C) of this
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section apply except to the extent that the increased tax, if
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any, attributable to such adjustments would have been avoided if
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both the corporation and the related member had been eligible to
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make and had timely made the election to combine in accordance
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with division (B) of section 5733.052 of the Revised Code.

(E) Except as otherwise provided in division (F) of this 9960

section, if, on the day that is one year after the day the 9961 corporation files its report, the corporation has not made the 9962 adjustment required by this section or has not fully paid the 9963 tax and interest, if any, imposed by this chapter and 9964 attributable to such adjustment, the corporation is subject to a 9965 penalty equal to twice the interest charged under division (A) 9966 of section 5733.26 of the Revised Code for the delinquent 9967 payment of such tax and interest. For the purpose of the 9968 computation of the penalty imposed by this division, such 9969 penalty shall be deemed to be part of the tax due on the dates 9970 prescribed by this chapter without regard to the one-year period 9971 set forth in this division. The penalty imposed by this division 9972 is not in lieu of but is in addition to all other penalties, 9973 other similar charges, and interest imposed by this chapter. The 9974 tax commissioner may waive, abate, modify, or refund, with 9975 interest, all or any portion of the penalty imposed by this 9976 division only if the corporation establishes beyond a reasonable 9977 doubt that both the failure to fully comply with this section 9978 and the failure to fully pay such tax and interest within one 9979 year after the date the corporation files its report were not in 9980 any part attributable to the avoidance of any portion of the tax 9981 imposed by section 5733.06 of the Revised Code. 9982

(F) (1) For purposes of this division, "tax differential"
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means the difference between the tax that is imposed by section
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5733.06 of the Revised Code and that is attributable to the
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adjustment required by this section and the amount paid that is
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so attributable, prior to the day that is one year after the day
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the corporation files its report.

(2) The penalty imposed by division (E) of this section
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does not apply if the tax differential meets both of the
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following requirements:
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tax imposed by section 5733.06 of the Revised Code; and 9993 (b) The difference is less than fifty thousand dollars. 9994 (3) Nothing in division (F) of this section shall be 9995 construed to waive, abate, or modify any other penalties, other 9996 similar charges, or interest imposed by other sections of this 9997 9998 chapter. (G) Nothing in this section shall require a corporation to 9999 add to its net income more than once any amount of interest 10000 expenses and costs or intangible expenses and costs that the 10001 corporation pays, accrues, or incurs to a related member 10002 described in division (C) of this section. 10003 Sec. 5733.05. As used in this section, "qualified 10004 research" means laboratory research, experimental research, and 10005 other similar types of research; research in developing or 10006 improving a product; or research in developing or improving the 10007 means of producing a product. It does not include market 10008 research, consumer surveys, efficiency surveys, management 10009 studies, ordinary testing or inspection of materials or products 10010 for quality control, historical research, or literary research. 10011 "Product" as used in this paragraph does not include services or 10012 10013 intangible property. The annual report determines the value of the issued and 10014 outstanding shares of stock of the taxpayer, which under 10015 division (A) or divisions (B) and (C) of this section is the 10016 base or measure of the franchise tax liability. Such 10017 determination shall be made as of the date shown by the report 10018

(a) The tax differential is less than ten per cent of the

to have been the beginning of the corporation's annual 10019 accounting period that includes the first day of January of the 10020

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tax year. For the purposes of this chapter, the value of the 10021 issued and outstanding shares of stock of any corporation that 10022 is a financial institution shall be deemed to be the value as 10023 calculated in accordance with division (A) of this section. For 10024 the purposes of this chapter, the value of the issued and 10025 outstanding shares of stock of any corporation that is not a 10026 financial institution shall be deemed to be the values as 10027 calculated in accordance with divisions (B) and (C) of this 10028 section. Except as otherwise required by this section or section 10029 5733.056 of the Revised Code, the value of a taxpayer's issued 10030 and outstanding shares of stock under division (A) or (C) of 10031 this section does not include any amount that is treated as a 10032 liability under generally accepted accounting principles. 10033

(A) The total value, as shown by the books of the
financial institution, of its capital, surplus, whether earned
or unearned, undivided profits, and reserves shall be determined
as prescribed by section 5733.056 of the Revised Code for tax
years 1998 and thereafter.

(B) The sum of the corporation's net income during the
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corporation's taxable year, allocated or apportioned to this
state as prescribed in divisions (B) (1) and (2) of this section,
and subject to sections 5733.052, 5733.053, 5733.057, 5733.058,
5733.059, and 5733.0510 of the Revised Code:

(1) The net nonbusiness income allocated or apportioned to 10044this state as provided by section 5733.051 of the Revised Code. 10045

(2) The amount of Ohio apportioned net business income,
which shall be calculated by multiplying the corporation's net
business income by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction is
the sum of the following products: the property factor
multiplied by twenty, the payroll factor multiplied by twenty,

and the sales factor multiplied by sixty. The denominator of the10051fraction is one hundred, provided that the denominator shall be10052reduced by twenty if the property factor has a denominator of10053zero, by twenty if the payroll factor has a denominator of zero,10054and by sixty if the sales factor has a denominator of zero.10055

The property, payroll, and sales factors shall be 10056 determined as follows, but the numerator and the denominator of 10057 the factors shall not include the portion of any property, 10058 payroll, and sales otherwise includible in the factors to the 10059 extent that the portion relates to, or is used in connection 10060 with, the production of nonbusiness income allocated under 10061 section 5733.051 of the Revised Code: 10062

(a) The property factor is a fraction computed as follows: 10063

The numerator of the fraction is the average value of the 10064 corporation's real and tangible personal property owned or 10065 rented, and used in the trade or business in this state during 10066 the taxable year, and the denominator of the fraction is the 10067 average value of all the corporation's real and tangible 10068 personal property owned or rented, and used in the trade or 10069 business everywhere during such year. Real and tangible personal 10070 property used in the trade or business includes, but is not 10071 limited to, real and tangible personal property that the 10072 corporation rents, subrents, leases, or subleases to others if 10073 the income or loss from such rentals, subrentals, leases, or 10074 subleases is business income. There shall be excluded from the 10075 numerator and denominator of the fraction the original cost of 10076 all of the following property within Ohio: property with respect 10077 to which a "pollution control facility" certificate has been 10078 issued pursuant to section 5709.21 of the Revised Code; property 10079 with respect to which an "industrial water pollution control 10080 certificate" has been issued pursuant to that section or former 10081 section 6111.31 of the Revised Code; and property used 10082 exclusively during the taxable year for qualified research. 10083

(i) Property owned by the corporation is valued at its 10084 original cost. Property rented by the corporation is valued at 10085 eight times the net annual rental rate. "Net annual rental rate" 10086 means the annual rental rate paid by the corporation less any 10087 annual rental rate received by the corporation from subrentals. 10088

(ii) The average value of property shall be determined by 10089 averaging the values at the beginning and the end of the taxable 10090 year, but the tax commissioner may require the averaging of 10091 monthly values during the taxable year, if reasonably required 10092 to reflect properly the average value of the corporation's 10093 property. 10094

(b) The payroll factor is a fraction computed as follows: 10095

The numerator of the fraction is the total amount paid in 10096 this state during the taxable year by the corporation for 10097 compensation, and the denominator of the fraction is the total 10098 compensation paid everywhere by the corporation during such 10099 year. There shall be excluded from the numerator and the 10100 denominator of the payroll factor the total compensation paid in 10101 this state to employees who are primarily engaged in qualified 10102 research. 10103

(i) Compensation means any form of remuneration paid to an 10104 employee for personal services. 10105

(ii) Compensation is paid in this state if: (I) the 10106 recipient's service is performed entirely within this state, 10107 (II) the recipient's service is performed both within and 10108 without this state, but the service performed without this state 10109

is incidental to the recipient's service within this state, 10110 (III) some of the service is performed within this state and 10111 either the base of operations, or if there is no base of 10112 operations, the place from which the service is directed or 10113 controlled is within this state, or the base of operations or 10114 the place from which the service is directed or controlled is 10115 not in any state in which some part of the service is performed, 10116 but the recipient's residence is in this state. 10117

(iii) Compensation is paid in this state to any employee
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of a common or contract motor carrier corporation, who performs
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the employee's regularly assigned duties on a motor vehicle in
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more than one state, in the same ratio by which the mileage
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traveled by such employee within the state bears to the total
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mileage traveled by such employee everywhere during the taxable
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(c) The sales factor is a fraction computed as follows: 10125

Except as provided in this section, the numerator of the 10126 fraction is the total sales in this state by the corporation 10127 during the taxable year or part thereof, and the denominator of 10128 the fraction is the total sales by the corporation everywhere 10129 during such year or part thereof. In computing the numerator and 10130 denominator of the fraction, the following shall be eliminated 10131 from the fraction: receipts and any related gains or losses from 10132 the sale or other disposal of excluded assets; dividends or 10133 distributions; and interest or other similar amounts received 10134 for the use of, or for the forbearance of the use of, money. 10135 Also, in computing the numerator and denominator of the sales 10136 factor, in the case of a corporation owning at least eighty per 10137 cent of the issued and outstanding common stock of one or more 10138 insurance companies or public utilities, except an electric 10139

company and a combined company, and, for tax years 2005 and 10140 thereafter, a telephone company, or owning at least twenty-five 10141 per cent of the issued and outstanding common stock of one or 10142 more financial institutions, receipts received by the 10143 corporation from such utilities, insurance companies, and 10144 financial institutions shall be eliminated. As used in this 10145 division, "excluded assets" means property that is either: 10146 intangible property, other than trademarks, trade names, 10147 patents, copyrights, and similar intellectual property; or 10148 tangible personal property or real property where that property 10149 is a capital asset or an asset described in section 1231 of the 10150 Internal Revenue Code, without regard to the holding period 10151 specified therein. 10152 (i) For the purpose of this section and section 5733.03 of 10153

the Revised Code, receipts not eliminated or excluded from the 10155 fraction shall be sitused as follows: 10155

Receipts from rents and royalties from real property10156located in this state shall be sitused to this state.10157

Receipts from rents and royalties of tangible personal10158property, to the extent the tangible personal property is used10159in this state, shall be sitused to this state.10160

Receipts from the sale of electricity and of electric10161transmission and distribution services shall be sitused to this10162state in the manner provided under section 5733.059 of the10163Revised Code.10164

Receipts from the sale of real property located in this10165state shall be sitused to this state.10166

Receipts from the sale of tangible personal property shall10167be sitused to this state if such property is received in this10168

state by the purchaser. In the case of delivery of tangible 10169 personal property by common carrier or by other means of 10170 transportation, the place at which such property is ultimately 10171 received after all transportation has been completed shall be 10172 considered as the place at which such property is received by 10173 the purchaser. Direct delivery in this state, other than for 10174 purposes of transportation, to a person or firm designated by a 10175 purchaser constitutes delivery to the purchaser in this state, 10176 and direct delivery outside this state to a person or firm 10177 designated by a purchaser does not constitute delivery to the 10178 purchaser in this state, regardless of where title passes or 10179 other conditions of sale. 10180

(ii) Receipts from all other sales not eliminated or excluded from the fraction shall be sitused to this state as follows:

Receipts from the sale, exchange, disposition, or other 10184 grant of the right to use trademarks, trade names, patents, 10185 copyrights, and similar intellectual property shall be sitused 10186 to this state to the extent that the receipts are based on the 10187 amount of use of that property in this state. If the receipts 10188 are not based on the amount of use of that property, but rather 10189 on the right to use the property and the payor has the right to 10190 use the property in this state, then the receipts from the sale, 10191 exchange, disposition, or other grant of the right to use such 10192 property shall be sitused to this state to the extent the 10193 receipts are based on the right to use the property in this 10194 state. 10195

Receipts from the sale of services, and receipts from any10196other sales not eliminated or excluded from the sales factor and10197not otherwise sitused under division (B) (2) (c) of this section,10198

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shall be sitused to this state in the proportion to the10199purchaser's benefit, with respect to the sale, in this state to10200the purchaser's benefit, with respect to the sale, everywhere.10201The physical location where the purchaser ultimately uses or10202receives the benefit of what was purchased shall be paramount in10203determining the proportion of the benefit in this state to the10204benefit everywhere.10205

(iii) Income from receipts eliminated or excluded from the
sales factor under division (B)(2)(c) of this section shall not
be presumed to be nonbusiness income.

(d) If the allocation and apportionment provisions of 10209 division (B) of this section do not fairly represent the extent 10210 of the taxpayer's business activity in this state, the taxpayer 10211 may request, which request must be in writing and must accompany 10212 the report, a timely filed petition for reassessment, or a 10213 timely filed amended report, or the tax commissioner may 10214 require, in respect to all or any part of the taxpayer's 10215 allocated or apportioned base, if reasonable, any one or more of 10216 the following: 10217

(i) Separate accounting;

(ii) The exclusion of any one or more of the factors;

(iii) The inclusion of one or more additional factors thatwill fairly represent the taxpayer's allocated or apportionedbase in this state.

An alternative method will be effective only with approval 10223 by the tax commissioner. 10224

Nothing in this section shall be construed to extend any10225statute of limitations set forth in this chapter.10226

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(e) The tax commissioner may adopt rules providing for 10227
alternative allocation and apportionment methods, and 10228
alternative calculations of a corporation's base, that apply to 10229
corporations engaged in telecommunications. 10230

(C)(1) The total value, as shown on the books of each 10231 corporation that is not a qualified qualifying holding company, 10232 of the net book value of the corporation's assets less the net 10233 carrying value of its liabilities, and excluding from the 10234 corporation's assets land devoted exclusively to agricultural 10235 use as of the first Monday of June in the corporation's taxable 10236 year as determined by the county auditor of the county in which 10237 the land is located pursuant to section 5713.31 of the Revised 10238 Code, and making any adjustment required by division (D) of this 10239 section. For the purposes of determining that total value, any 10240 reserves shown on the corporation's books shall be considered 10241 liabilities or contra assets, as the case may be, except for any 10242 reserves that are deemed appropriations of retained earnings 10243 under generally accepted accounting principles. 10244

(2) The base upon which the tax is levied under division 10245 (C) of section 5733.06 of the Revised Code shall be computed by 10246 multiplying the amount determined under division (C)(1) of this 10247 section by the fraction determined under divisions (B)(2)(a) to 10248 (c) of this section and, if applicable, divisions (B)(2)(d)(ii) 10249 and (iii) of this section, and without regard to section 10250 5733.052 of the Revised Code, but substituting "net worth" for 10251 "net income" wherever "net income" appears in division (B)(2)(c) 10252 in this section. For purposes of division (C)(2) of this 10253 section, the numerator and denominator of each of the fractions 10254 shall include the portion of any real and tangible personal 10255 property, payroll, and sales, respectively, relating to, or used 10256 in connection with the production of, net nonbusiness income 10257

allocated under section 5733.051 of the Revised Code. Nothing in 10258 this division shall allow any amount to be included in the 10259 numerator or denominator more than once. 10260

(D)(1) If, on the last day of the taxpayer's taxable year 10261 preceding the tax year, the taxpayer is a related member to a 10262 corporation that elects to be a qualifying holding company for 10263 the tax year beginning after the last day of the taxpayer's 10264 taxable year, or if, on the last day of the taxpayer's taxable 10265 year preceding the tax year, a corporation that elects to be a 10266 10267 qualifying holding company for the tax year beginning after the last day of the taxpayer's taxable year is a related member to 10268 the taxpayer, then the taxpayer's total value for the purposes 10269 of division (C) of this section shall be adjusted by the 10270 qualifying amount. Except as otherwise provided under division 10271 (D) (2) of this section, "qualifying amount" means the amount 10272 that, when added to the taxpayer's total value, and when 10273 subtracted from the net carrying value of the taxpayer's 10274 liabilities computed without regard to division (C)(2) of this 10275 section, or when subtracted from the taxpayer's total value and 10276 when added to the net carrying value of the taxpayer's 10277 liabilities computed without regard to division (D) of this 10278 section, results in the taxpayer's debt-to-equity ratio equaling 10279 the debt-to-equity ratio of the qualifying controlled group on 10280 the last day of the taxable year ending prior to the first day 10281 of the tax year computed on a consolidated basis in accordance 10282 with general accepted accounting principles. For the purposes of 10283 division (D)(1) of this section, the corporation's total value, 10284 after the adjustment required by that division, shall not exceed 10285 the net book value of the corporation's assets. 10286

(2) (a) The amount added to the taxpayer's total value andsubtracted from the net carrying value of the taxpayer's10288

liabilities shall not exceed the amount of the net carrying10289value of the taxpayer's liabilities owed to the taxpayer's10290related members.10291

(b) A liability owed to the taxpayer's related members
includes, but is not limited to, any amount that the corporation
owes to a person that is not a related member if the
corporation's related member or related members in whole or in
part guarantee any portion or all of that amount, or pledge,
hypothecate, mortgage, or carry out any similar transactions to
secure any portion or all of that amount.

(3) The base upon which the tax is levied under division
(C) of section 5733.06 of the Revised Code shall be computed by
10300 multiplying the amount determined under divisions (C) and (D) of
this section but without regard to section 5733.052 of the
Revised Code.

(4) For purposes of division (D) of this section, "related 10304member" has the same meaning as in section 5733.042 of the 10305Revised Code. 10306

Sec. 5733.052. (A) At the discretion of the tax 10307 10308 commissioner, any taxpayer that owns or controls either directly or indirectly more than fifty per cent of the capital stock with 10309 voting rights of one or more other corporations, or has more 10310 than fifty per cent of its capital stock with voting rights 10311 owned or controlled either directly or indirectly by another 10312 corporation, or by related interests that own or control either 10313 directly or indirectly more than fifty per cent of the capital 10314 stock with voting rights of one or more other corporations, may 10315 be required or permitted, for purposes of computing the value of 10316 its issued and outstanding shares of stock under division (B) of 10317 section 5733.05 of the Revised Code, to combine its net income 10318

with the net income of any such other corporations.

(B) A combination of net income may also be made at the 10320 election of any two or more taxpayers each having income, other 10321 than dividend or distribution income, from sources within Ohio, 10322 provided the ownership or control requirements contained in the 10323 division (A) of this section are satisfied and such combination 10324 is elected in a timely report which sets forth such information 10325 as the commissioner requires. This election, once made by two or 10326 more such taxpayers, may not be changed by such taxpayers with 10327 respect to amended reports or reports for future years without 10328 the written consent of the commissioner. As used in this 10329 section, "income from sources within Ohio" means income that 10330 would be allocated or apportioned to Ohio if the taxpayer 10331 computed its franchise tax without regard to this section. 10332

(C) No combination of net income under division (A) of
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this section shall be required unless the commissioner
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determines that, in order to properly reflect income, such a
combination is necessary because of intercorporate transactions
and the tax liability imposed by section 5733.06 of the Revised
Code.

(D) In case of a combination of income, the net income of 10339 each taxpayer shall be measured by the combined net income of 10340 all the corporations included in the combination. For purposes 10341 of such measurement, each corporation's net income shall be 10342 determined in the same manner as if the corporation were a 10343 taxpayer under this chapter. In computing combined net income, 10344 intercorporate transactions, including dividends or 10345 distributions, between corporations included in the combination 10346 shall be eliminated. If the computation of net income on a 10347 combination of income involves the use of any of the formulas 10348

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set forth in this chapter, the factors used in the formulas10349shall be the combined totals of the factors for each corporation10350included in the combination after the elimination of any10351intercorporate transactions. The exemptions and deductions10352permitted under this chapter shall be taken in the same manner10353as if each corporation filed a separate report.10354

(E) For purposes of division (B) of section 5733.05 of the 10355 10356 Revised Code, each taxpayer's net income allocated or apportioned to this state shall be computed as follows: to 10357 10358 compute the taxpayer's net income allocated to this state for purposes of division (B)(1) of section 5733.05 of the Revised 10359 Code, the taxpayer's net income for sources allocated under 10360 section 5733.051 of the Revised Code shall be separately 10361 determined, eliminating intercorporate transactions, and 10362 allocated to this state as provided by section 5733.051 of the 10363 Revised Code. To compute the taxpayer's net income apportioned 10364 to this state for purposes of division (B)(2) of section 5733.05 10365 of the Revised Code, the combined net income, other than net 10366 income from sources allocated under section 5733.051 of the 10367 Revised Code, shall be apportioned to Ohio and then prorated to 10368 the taxpayer on the basis of its proportionate part of the 10369 factors used to apportion the total of such net income to Ohio. 10370

Sec. 5733.055. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Ceiling amount" means the excess of the amount
described in division (A)(1)(a) of this section over the amount
described in division (A)(1)(b) of this section:

(a) The amount of income allocated and apportioned to this
state in accordance with this chapter but without regard to and
without application of the adjustments required by this section;
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(b) The amount of income allocated and apportioned to this
 state in accordance with this chapter but without regard to and
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 without application of the adjustments required by both this
 section and division (I) (13) of section 5733.04 of the Revised
 Code.

(2) "Income adjustment amount" means the sum of the
amounts described in divisions (A) (2) (a) and (b) of this
section:

(a) The related member's net interest income actually
allocated and apportioned to other states that impose a tax on
or measured by income, in accordance with the other states'
allocation and apportionment rules;

(b) The related member's net intangible income actually10390allocated and apportioned to other states that impose a tax on10391or measured by income, in accordance with the other states'10392allocation and apportionment rules.10393

For purposes of division (A) (2) of this section, "other 10394 10395 states" does not include those states under whose laws the taxpayer files or could have elected to file with the related 10396 member, or the related member files or could have elected to 10397 file with another related member, a combined income tax report 10398 10399 or return, a consolidated income tax report or return, or any other report or return where such report or return is due 10400 because of the imposition of a tax measured on or by income and 10401 such report or return results in the elimination of the tax 10402 effects from transactions directly or indirectly between either 10403 the taxpayer and the related member or between the related 10404 member and another corporation if such other corporation, during 10405 a one-hundred-twenty-month period commencing three years prior 10406 to the beginning of the tax year, directly or indirectly paid, 10407

accrued, or incurred intangible expenses and costs or interest 10408 expenses and costs to an entity described in divisions (C)(1) to 10409 (5) of section 5733.042 of the Revised Code. 10410

(3) "Intangible expenses and costs" has the same meaningas in division (A) (3) of section 5733.042 of the Revised Code.10412

(4) "Interest expenses and costs" has the same meaning asin division (A) (4) of section 5733.042 of the Revised Code.10414

(5) "Intangible income and revenue" are those amounts
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earned or received by a related member from a taxpayer for the
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taxpayer's use of intangible property. Such amounts include, but
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are not limited to, royalty, patent, technical, and copyright
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fees, licensing fees, and other similar income and revenue.

(6) "Interest income and revenue" are those amounts earned
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such amounts are allowed as deductions under section 163 of the
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Internal Revenue Code for purposes of determining the taxpayer's
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taxable income under the Internal Revenue Code.

(7) "Net intangible income" means intangible income and
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revenue reduced by intangible expenses and costs paid or accrued
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directly or indirectly to a related member described in any of
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divisions (C) (1) to (7) of section 5747.042 of the Revised Code.
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(8) "Net interest income" means interest income and
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revenue reduced by interest expenses and costs paid or accrued
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directly or indirectly to a related member described in any of
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divisions (C) (1) to (7) of section 5747.042 5733.042 of the
Revised Code.

(B) Except as set forth in division (C) of this section, a 10434
 deduction from the corporation's net income allocated and 10435
 apportioned to this state shall be allowed in an amount equal to 10436

the income adjustment amount described in division (A) (2) of 10437 this section. However, in no case shall the deduction be greater 10438 than the ceiling amount described in division (A)(1) of this section.

(C) The deduction provided by division (B) of this section 10441 is available to the taxpayer only if the taxpayer establishes 10442 with clear and convincing evidence that the intangible expenses 10443 and costs and the interest expenses and costs paid, accrued, or 10444 incurred by the corporation to a related member did not have as 10445 10446 a principal purpose the avoidance of any portion of the tax imposed by section 5733.06 of the Revised Code. 10447

Sec. 5733.40. As used in sections 5733.40 and 5733.41 and Chapter 5747. of the Revised Code:

(A) (1) "Adjusted qualifying amount" means either of the 10450 following: 10451

(a) The sum of each qualifying investor's distributive 10452 share of the income, gain, expense, or loss of a qualifying 10453 pass-through entity for the qualifying taxable year of the 10454 qualifying pass-through entity multiplied by the apportionment 10455 fraction defined in division (B) of this section, subject to 10456 section 5733.401 of the Revised Code and divisions (A)(2) to (7) 10457 of this section; 10458

(b) The sum of each qualifying beneficiary's share of the 10459 qualifying net income and qualifying net gain distributed by a 10460 qualifying trust for the qualifying taxable year of the 10461 qualifying trust multiplied by the apportionment fraction 10462 defined in division (B) of this section, subject to section 10463 5733.401 of the Revised Code and divisions (A)(2) to (7) of this 10464 10465 section.

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(2) The sum shall exclude any amount which, pursuant to 10466 the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of Ohio, 10467 or any federal law is not subject to a tax on or measured by net income. 10469

(3) For the purposes of Chapters 5733. and 5747. of the 10470 Revised Code, the profit or net income of the qualifying entity 10471 shall be increased by disallowing all amounts representing 10472 expenses, other than amounts described in division (A) (7) of 10473 this section, that the qualifying entity paid to or incurred 10474 with respect to direct or indirect transactions with one or more 10475 related members, excluding the cost of goods sold calculated in 10476 accordance with section 263A of the Internal Revenue Code and 10477 United States department of the treasury regulations issued 10478 thereunder. Nothing in division (A) (3) of this section shall be 10479 construed to limit solely to this chapter the application of 10480 section 263A of the Internal Revenue Code and United States 10481 department of the treasury regulations issued thereunder. 10482

(4) For the purposes of Chapters 5733. and 5747. of the 10483 Revised Code, the profit or net income of the qualifying entity 10484 shall be increased by disallowing all recognized losses, other 10485 than losses from sales of inventory the cost of which is 10486 calculated in accordance with section 263A of the Internal 10487 Revenue Code and United States department of the treasury 10488 regulations issued thereunder, with respect to all direct or 10489 indirect transactions with one or more related members. For the 10490 purposes of Chapters 5733. and 5747. of the Revised Code, losses 10491 from the sales of such inventory shall be allowed only to the 10492 extent calculated in accordance with section 482 of the Internal 10493 Revenue Code and United States department of the treasury 10494 regulations issued thereunder. Nothing in division (A) (4) of 10495 this section shall be construed to limit solely to this section 10496

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the application of section 263A and section 482 of the Internal10497Revenue Code and United States department of the treasury10498regulations issued thereunder.10499

(5) The sum shall be increased or decreased by an amount 10500 equal to the qualifying investor's or qualifying beneficiary's 10501 distributive or proportionate share of the amount that the 10502 qualifying entity would be required to add or deduct under 10503 divisions  $\frac{(A)(20)-(A)(17)}{(A)(17)}$  and  $\frac{(21)-(18)}{(18)}$  of section 5747.01 of 10504 the Revised Code if the qualifying entity were a taxpayer for 10505 the purposes of Chapter 5747. of the Revised Code. 10506

(6) The sum shall be computed without regard to section
5733.051 or division (D) of section 5733.052 of the Revised
Code.

(7) For the purposes of Chapters 5733. and 5747. of the 10510 Revised Code, guaranteed payments or compensation paid to 10511 investors by a qualifying entity that is not subject to the tax 10512 imposed by section 5733.06 of the Revised Code shall be 10513 considered a distributive share of income of the qualifying 10514 entity. Division (A)(7) of this section applies only to such 10515 payments or such compensation paid to an investor who at any 10516 time during the qualifying entity's taxable year holds at least 10517 a twenty per cent direct or indirect interest in the profits or 10518 capital of the qualifying entity. For the purposes of this 10519 division, guaranteed payments and compensation shall be 10520 considered to be paid to an investor by a qualifying entity if 10521 the qualifying entity in which the investor holds at least a 10522 twenty per cent direct or indirect interest is a client employer 10523 of a professional employer organization, as those terms are 10524 defined in section 4125.01 of the Revised Code, and the 10525 guaranteed payments or compensation are paid to the investor by 10526

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| that professional employer organization.                   | 10527 |
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| (B) "Apportionment fraction" means:                        | 10528 |
| (1) With respect to a qualifying pass-through entity other | 10529 |

than a financial institution, the fraction calculated pursuant10530to division (B)(2) of section 5733.05 of the Revised Code as if10531the qualifying pass-through entity were a corporation subject to10532the tax imposed by section 5733.06 of the Revised Code;10533

(2) With respect to a qualifying pass-through entity that
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is a financial institution, the fraction calculated pursuant to
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division (C) of section 5733.056 of the Revised Code as if the
qualifying pass-through entity were a financial institution
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subject to the tax imposed by section 5733.06 of the Revised
Code.

(3) With respect to a qualifying trust, the fraction 10540 calculated pursuant to division (B)(2) of section 5733.05 of the 10541 Revised Code as if the qualifying trust were a corporation 10542 subject to the tax imposed by section 5733.06 of the Revised 10543 Code, except that the property, payroll, and sales fractions 10544 shall be calculated by including in the numerator and 10545 denominator of the fractions only the property, payroll, and 10546 10547 sales, respectively, directly related to the production of income or gain from acquisition, ownership, use, maintenance, 10548 management, or disposition of tangible personal property located 10549 in this state at any time during the qualifying trust's 10550 qualifying taxable year or of real property located in this 10551 state. 10552

(C) "Qualifying beneficiary" means any individual that,
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during the qualifying taxable year of a qualifying trust, is a
beneficiary of that trust, but does not include an individual
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who is a resident taxpayer for the purposes of Chapter 5747. of 10556 the Revised Code for the entire qualifying taxable year of the 10557 qualifying trust. 10558 (D) "Fiscal year" means an accounting period ending on any 10559 day other than the thirty-first day of December. 10560 (E) "Individual" means a natural person. 10561 (F) "Month" means a calendar month. 10562 (G) "Partnership" has the same meaning as in section 10563 5747.01 of the Revised Code "Distributive share" includes the 10564 sum of the income, gain, expense, or loss of a disregarded 10565 entity or qualified subchapter S subsidiary. 10566 (H) "Investor" means any person that, during any portion 10567 of a taxable year of a qualifying pass-through entity, is a 10568 partner, member, shareholder, or investor in that qualifying 10569 pass-through entity. 10570 (I) Except as otherwise provided in section 5733.402 or 10571 5747.401 of the Revised Code, "qualifying investor" means any 10572 investor except those described in divisions (I)(1) to (9) of 10573 this section. 10574 (1) An investor satisfying one of the descriptions under 10575 section 501(a) or (c) of the Internal Revenue Code, a 10576 partnership with equity securities registered with the United 10577 States securities and exchange commission under section 12 of 10578 the "Securities Exchange Act of 1934," as amended, or an 10579 investor described in division (F) of section 3334.01, or 10580 division (A) or (C) of section 5733.09 of the Revised Code for 10581 the entire qualifying taxable year of the qualifying pass-10582 through entity. 10583

(2) An investor who is either an individual or an estate
and is a resident taxpayer for the purposes of section 5747.01
of the Revised Code for the entire qualifying taxable year of
the qualifying pass-through entity.

(3) An investor who is an individual for whom the 10588 qualifying pass-through entity makes a good faith and reasonable 10589 effort to comply fully and timely with the filing and payment 10590 requirements set forth in division (D) of section 5747.08 of the 10591 Revised Code and section 5747.09 of the Revised Code with 10592 respect to the individual's adjusted qualifying amount for the 10593 entire qualifying taxable year of the qualifying pass-through 10594 entity. 10595

(4) An investor that is another qualifying pass-through
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(5) entity having only investors described in division (I) (1), (2),
(3), or (6) of this section during the three-year period
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(5) An investor that is another pass-through entity having 10601 no investors other than individuals and estates during the 10602 qualifying taxable year of the qualifying pass-through entity in 10603 which it is an investor, and that makes a good faith and 10604 reasonable effort to comply fully and timely with the filing and 10605 payment requirements set forth in division (D) of section 10606 5747.08 of the Revised Code and section 5747.09 of the Revised 10607 Code with respect to investors that are not resident taxpayers 10608 of this state for the purposes of Chapter 5747. of the Revised 10609 Code for the entire qualifying taxable year of the qualifying 10610 pass-through entity in which it is an investor. 10611

(6) An investor that is a financial institution required
 to calculate the tax in accordance with division (E) of section
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| 5733.06 of the Revised Code on the first day of January of the   | 10614 |
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| calendar year immediately following the last day of the          | 10615 |
| financial institution's calendar or fiscal year in which ends-   | 10616 |
| the taxpayer's taxable year _ treated as a C corporation for _   | 10617 |
| federal income tax purposes for the entire qualifying taxable    | 10618 |
| year of the qualifying pass-through entity in which it is an     | 10619 |
| <u>investor</u> .  | 10620 |
| (7) An investor other than an individual that satisfies          | 10621 |
| all the following:   | 10622 |
| (a) The investor submits a written statement to the              | 10623 |
| qualifying pass-through entity stating that the investor         | 10624 |
| irrevocably agrees that the investor has nexus with this state   | 10625 |
| under the Constitution of the United States and is subject to    | 10626 |
| and liable for the tax calculated under division (A) or (B) of   | 10627 |
| section 5733.06 of the Revised Code with respect to the          | 10628 |
| investor's adjusted qualifying amount for the entire qualifying  | 10629 |
| taxable year of the qualifying pass-through entity. The          | 10630 |
| statement is subject to the penalties of perjury, shall be       | 10631 |
| retained by the qualifying pass-through entity for no fewer than | 10632 |
| seven years, and shall be delivered to the tax commissioner upon | 10633 |
| request.   | 10634 |
| (b) The investor makes a good faith and reasonable effort        | 10635 |
| to comply timely and fully with all the reporting and payment    | 10636 |
| requirements set forth in Chapter 5733. of the Revised Code with | 10637 |
| respect to the investor's adjusted qualifying amount for the     | 10638 |
| entire qualifying taxable year of the qualifying pass-through    | 10639 |
| entity.  | 10640 |
| (c) Neither the investor nor the qualifying pass-through         | 10641 |

entity in which it is an investor, before, during, or after the 10642 qualifying pass-through entity's qualifying taxable year, 10643

carries out any transaction or transactions with one or more 10644 related members of the investor or the qualifying pass-through 10645 entity resulting in a reduction or deferral of tax imposed by 10646 Chapter 5733. of the Revised Code with respect to all or any 10647 portion of the investor's adjusted qualifying amount for the 10648 qualifying pass-through entity's taxable year, or that 10649 constitute a sham, lack economic reality, or are part of a 10650 series of transactions the form of which constitutes a step 10651 transaction or transactions or does not reflect the substance of 10652 those transactions. 10653

10654 (8) Any other investor that the tax commissioner may designate by rule. The tax commissioner may adopt rules 10655 including a rule defining "gualifying investor" or "gualifying 10656 beneficiary" and governing the imposition of the withholding tax 10657 imposed by section 5747.41 of the Revised Code with respect to 10658 an individual who is a resident taxpayer for the purposes of 10659 Chapter 5747. of the Revised Code for only a portion of the 10660 qualifying taxable year of the qualifying entity. 10661

(9) An investor that is a trust or fund the beneficiariesof which, during the qualifying taxable year of the qualifyingpass-through entity, are limited to the following:10664

(a) A person that is or may be the beneficiary of a trust
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 subject to Subchapter D of Chapter 1 of Subtitle A of the
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 Internal Revenue Code.

(b) A person that is or may be the beneficiary of or the 10668
recipient of payments from a trust or fund that is a nuclear 10669
decommissioning reserve fund, a designated settlement fund, or 10670
any other trust or fund established to resolve and satisfy 10671
claims that may otherwise be asserted by the beneficiary or a 10672
member of the beneficiary's family. Sections 267(c) (4), 468A(e), 10673

and 468B(d)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code apply to the10674determination of whether such a person satisfies division (I)(9)10675of this section.10676

(c) A person who is or may be the beneficiary of a trust 10677 that, under its governing instrument, is not required to 10678 distribute all of its income currently. Division (I)(9)(c) of 10679 this section applies only if the trust, prior to the due date 10680 for filing the qualifying pass-through entity's return for taxes 10681 imposed by section 5733.41 and sections 5747.41 to 5747.453 of 10682 the Revised Code, irrevocably agrees in writing that for the 10683 taxable year during or for which the trust distributes any of 10684 its income to any of its beneficiaries, the trust is a 10685 qualifying trust and will pay the estimated tax, and will 10686 withhold and pay the withheld tax, as required under sections 10687 5747.40 to 5747.453 of the Revised Code. 10688

For the purposes of division (I)(9) of this section, a 10689 trust or fund shall be considered to have a beneficiary other 10690 than persons described under divisions (I)(9)(a) to (c) of this 10691 section if a beneficiary would not qualify under those divisions 10692 under the doctrines of "economic reality," "sham transaction," 10693 "step doctrine," or "substance over form." A trust or fund 10694 described in division (I)(9) of this section bears the burden of 10695 establishing by a preponderance of the evidence that any 10696 transaction giving rise to the tax benefits provided under 10697 division (I)(9) of this section does not have as a principal 10698 purpose a claim of those tax benefits. Nothing in this section 10699 shall be construed to limit solely to this section the 10700 application of the doctrines referred to in this paragraph. 10701

(J) "Qualifying net gain" means any recognized net gain 10702with respect to the acquisition, ownership, use, maintenance, 10703

management, or disposition of tangible personal property located 10704 in this state at any time during a trust's qualifying taxable 10705 year or real property located in this state. 10706

(K) "Qualifying net income" means any recognized income, 10707
net of related deductible expenses, other than distributions 10708
deductions with respect to the acquisition, ownership, use, 10709
maintenance, management, or disposition of tangible personal 10710
property located in this state at any time during the trust's 10711
qualifying taxable year or real property located in this state. 10712

(L) "Qualifying entity" means a qualifying pass-through 10713entity or a qualifying trust. 10714

(M) "Qualifying trust" means a trust subject to subchapter 10715 J of the Internal Revenue Code that, during any portion of the 10716 trust's qualifying taxable year, has income or gain from the 10717 acquisition, management, ownership, use, or disposition of 10718 tangible personal property located in this state at any time 10719 during the trust's qualifying taxable year or real property 10720 located in this state. "Qualifying trust" does not include a 10721 person described in section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code 10722 or a person described in division (C) of section 5733.09 of the 10723 Revised Code. 10724

(N) "Qualifying pass-through entity" means a pass-through 10725 entity as defined in section 5733.04 of the Revised Code, 10726 excluding: a person described in section 501(c) of the Internal 10727 Revenue Code; a partnership with equity securities registered 10728 with the United States securities and exchange commission under 10729 section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; 10730 or a person described in division (C) of section 5733.09 of the 10731 Revised Code. 10732

(0) "Quarter" means the first three months, the second
three months, the third three months, or the last three months
of a qualifying entity's qualifying taxable year.

(P) "Related member" has the same meaning as in division 10736 (A) (6) of section 5733.042 of the Revised Code without regard to 10737 division (B) of that section. However, for the purposes of 10738 divisions (A)(3) and (4) of this section only, "related member" 10739 has the same meaning as in division (A)(6) of section 5733.042 10740 of the Revised Code without regard to division (B) of that 10741 10742 section, but shall be applied by substituting "forty per cent" for "twenty per cent" wherever "twenty per cent" appears in 10743 division (A) of that section. 10744

(Q) "Return" or "report" means the notifications and
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reports required to be filed pursuant to sections 5747.42 to
5747.45 of the Revised Code for the purpose of reporting the tax
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imposed under section 5733.41 or 5747.41 of the Revised Code,
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and included declarations of estimated tax when so required.

(R) "Qualifying taxable year" means the calendar year or 10750
the qualifying entity's fiscal year ending during the calendar 10751
year, or fractional part thereof, for which the adjusted 10752
qualifying amount is calculated pursuant to sections 5733.40 and 10753
5733.41 or sections 5747.40 to 5747.453 of the Revised Code. 10754

(S) "Distributive share" includes the sum of the income,10755gain, expense, or loss of a disregarded entity or qualified10756subchapter S subsidiary.10757

Sec. 5733.98. (A) To provide a uniform procedure for10758calculating the amount of tax imposed by section 5733.06 of the10759Revised Code that is due under this chapter, a taxpayer shall10760claim any credits to which it is entitled in the following10761

| order, except as otherwise provided in section 5733.058 of the Revised Code: | 10762<br>10763 |
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| Nevised Code.  | 10705          |
| (1) For tax year 2005, the credit for taxes paid by a                        | 10764          |
| qualifying pass-through entity allowed under section 5733.0611               | 10765          |
| of the Revised Code;   | 10766          |
| (2) The credit allowed for financial institutions under                      | 10767          |
| section 5733.45 of the Revised Code;   | 10768          |
| (3) The credit for qualifying affiliated groups under                        | 10769          |
| section 5733.068 of the Revised Code;  | 10770          |
| (4) The subsidiary corporation credit under section                          | 10771          |
| 5733.067 of the Revised Code;  | 10772          |
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| (5) The credit for recycling and litter prevention                           | 10773          |
| donations under section 5733.064 of the Revised Code;                        | 10774          |
| (6) The credit for employers that enter into agreements                      | 10775          |
| with child day-care centers under section 5733.36 of the Revised             | 10776          |
| Code;  | 10777          |
| (7) The credit for employers that reimburse employee child                   | 10778          |
| care expenses under section 5733.38 of the Revised Code;                     | 10779          |
| (8) The credit for purchases of lights and reflectors                        | 10780          |
| under section 5733.44 of the Revised Code;                                   | 10781          |
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| (9) The nonrefundable job retention credit under division                    | 10782          |
| (B) of section 5733.0610 of the Revised Code;                                | 10783          |
| (10) The second credit for purchases of new manufacturing                    | 10784          |
| machinery and equipment under section 5733.33 of the Revised                 | 10785          |
| Code;  | 10786          |
| (11) The job training credit under section 5733.42 of the                    | 10787          |
| Revised Code;  | 10788          |
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| (12) The credit for qualified research expenses under section 5733.351 of the Revised Code; | 10789<br>10790 |
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| section 3733.351 of the Revised Code,   | 10790          |
| (13) The enterprise zone credit under section 5709.66 of                                    | 10791          |
| the Revised Code;   | 10792          |
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| (14) The credit for the eligible costs associated with a                                    | 10793          |
| voluntary action under section 5733.34 of the Revised Code;                                 | 10794          |
| (15) The credit for employers that establish on-site child                                  | 10795          |
| day-care centers under section 5733.37 of the Revised Code;                                 | 10796          |
| (16) The ethanol plant investment credit under section                                      | 10797          |
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| 5733.46 of the Revised Code;  | 10798          |
| <del>(17) T</del> he credit for purchases of qualifying grape                               | 10799          |
| production property under section 5733.32 of the Revised Code;                              | 10800          |
| (18) (17) The export sales credit under section 5733.069                                    | 10801          |
| of the Revised Code;  | 10802          |
| <del>(19) <u>(</u>18) The enterprise zone credits under section</del>                       | 10803          |
| 5709.65 of the Revised Code;  | 10804          |
| <del>(20) <u>(19)</u> The credit for using Ohio coal under section</del>                    | 10805          |
| 5733.39 of the Revised Code;  | 10806          |
| <del>(21) (20) The credit for purchases of qualified low-income</del>                       | 10807          |
| community investments under section 5733.58 of the Revised Code;                            | 10808          |
| <del>(22) <u>(</u>21) T</del> he credit for small telephone companies under                 | 10809          |
| section 5733.57 of the Revised Code;  | 10810          |
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| <del>(23) <u>(</u>22) The credit for eligible nonrecurring 9-1-1</del>                      | 10811          |
| charges under section 5733.55 of the Revised Code;  | 10812          |
| (24) (23) For tax year 2005, the credit for providing                                       | 10813          |
| programs to aid the communicatively impaired under division (A)                             | 10814          |
| of section 5733.56 of the Revised Code;   | 10815          |
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(25)(24)The research and development credit under10816section 5733.352 of the Revised Code;10817

(26)(25)For tax years 2006 and subsequent tax years, the10818credit for taxes paid by a qualifying pass-through entity10819allowed under section 5733.0611 of the Revised Code;10820

(27) (26) The refundable credit for rehabilitating a 10821 historic building under section 5733.47 of the Revised Code; 10822

(28) (27)The refundable jobs creation credit or job10823retention credit under division (A) of section 5733.0610 of the10824Revised Code;10825

(29) (28) The refundable credit for tax withheld under division (B)(2) of section 5747.062 of the Revised Code;

(30) (29)The refundable credit under section 5733.49 of10828the Revised Code for losses on loans made to the Ohio venture10829capital program under sections 150.01 to 150.10 of the Revised10830Code;10831

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 For tax years 2006, 2007, and 2008, the
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 refundable credit allowable under division (B) of section
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 5733.56 of the Revised Code;
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(32) (31)The refundable motion picture and broadway10835theatrical production credit under section 5733.59 of the10836Revised Code.10837

(B) For any credit except the refundable credits
enumerated in this section, the amount of the credit for a tax
year shall not exceed the tax due after allowing for any other
credit that precedes it in the order required under this
section. Any excess amount of a particular credit may be carried
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forward if authorized under the section creating that credit.

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Sec. 5735.026. (A) The tax commissioner, for the purposes 10844 of administering this chapter, shall issue an exporter license 10845 to a person that receives motor fuel in this state and exports 10846 that fuel out of this state and that demonstrates to the tax 10847 commissioner's satisfaction that the person is an exporter. 10848 (B) To obtain an exporter license, a person shall file, 10849 under oath, an application with the commissioner in such form as 10850 the commissioner prescribes. The application shall set forth the 10851 following information: 10852 (1) The name under which the exporter will transact 10853 business within the state; 10854 (2) The location, including street number address, of the 10855 exporter's principal office or place of business; 10856 (3) The name and address of the owner, or the names and 10857 addresses of the partners if such exporter is a partnership, or 10858 the names and addresses of the principal officers if the 10859 exporter is a corporation or an association; 10860 (4) A certified copy of the certificate or license issued 10861 by the <u>Secretary of State</u> secretary of state showing that the 10862 corporation is authorized to transact business in this state if 10863 the exporter is a corporation organized under the laws of 10864 another state, territory, or country; 10865

(5) For an exporter described in division (DD)(1) of 10866 section 5735.01 of the Revised Code, a copy of the applicant's 10867 license or certificate to collect and remit motor fuel taxes or 10868 sell or distribute motor fuel in the specified destination state 10869 or states for which the license or certificate is to be issued; 10870

(6) Any other information the commissioner may require. 10871

by law.

(C) (1) After a hearing as provided in division (C) (2) of 10872 this section, the commissioner may refuse to issue a license to 10873 transact business as an exporter of motor fuel in the following 10874 circumstances: 10875 (a) The applicant has previously had a license issued 10876 under this chapter canceled for cause by the commissioner; 10877 (b) The commissioner believes that an application is not 10878 filed in good faith; 10879 (c) The applicant has previously violated any provision of 10880 this chapter; 10881 (d) The application is filed as a subterfuge by the 10882 applicant for the real person in interest who has previously had 10883 a license issued under this chapter canceled for cause by the 10884 commissioner or who has violated any provision of this chapter. 10885 (2) The commissioner shall conduct a hearing before 10886 refusing to issue a license to transact business as an exporter 10887 in any of the circumstances described in division (C)(1) of this 10888 section. The applicant shall be given five days' notice, in 10889 writing, of the hearing. The applicant may appear in person or 10890 be represented by counsel, and may present testimony at the 10891 10892 hearing. (D) When an application in proper form has been accepted 10893 for filing, the commissioner shall issue to such exporter a 10894 license to transact business as an exporter of motor fuel in 10895

(E) No person shall make a false or fraudulent statement10898on the application required by this section.10899

this state, subject to cancellation of such license as provided

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Sec. 5735.06. (A) On or before the last day of each month, 10900 each motor fuel dealer shall file with the tax commissioner a 10901 report for the preceding calendar month on a form prescribed by 10902 the commissioner for that purpose. The report shall include the 10903 following information: 10904

(1) An itemized statement of the number of gallons of all
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 motor fuel received during the preceding calendar month by such
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 motor fuel dealer, which has been produced, refined, prepared,
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 distilled, manufactured, blended, or compounded by such motor
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 fuel dealer in the state;

(2) An itemized statement of the number of gallons of all 10910 motor fuel received by such motor fuel dealer in the state from 10911 any source during the preceding calendar month, other than motor 10912 fuel included in division (A)(1) of this section, together with 10913 a statement showing the date of receipt of such motor fuel; the 10914 name of the person from whom purchased or received; the date of 10915 receipt of each shipment of motor fuel; the point of origin and 10916 the point of destination of each shipment; the quantity of each 10917 of said purchases or shipments; the name of the carrier; the 10918 number of gallons contained in each car if shipped by rail; the 10919 point of origin, destination, and shipper if shipped by pipe 10920 line; or the name and owner of the boat, barge, or vessel if 10921 shipped by water; 10922

(3) An itemized statement of the number of gallons of motor fuel which such motor fuel dealer has during the preceding calendar month:

(a) For motor fuel other than gasoline sold for use other
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 than for operating motor vehicles on the public highways or on
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 waters within the boundaries of this state;
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country as provided in division (A) (4) of section 5735.05 of the 10930 Revised Code; 10931 (c) Sold to the United States government or any of its 10932 agencies; 10933 (d) Sold for delivery to motor fuel dealers; 10934 (e) Sold exclusively for use in the operation of aircraft; 10935 (4) Such other information incidental to the enforcement 10936 of the motor fuel laws of the state as the commissioner 10937 10938 requires. (B) The report shall show the tax due, computed as 10939 follows: 10940 (1) The following deductions shall be made from the total 10941 number of gallons of motor fuel received by the motor fuel 10942 dealer within the state during the preceding calendar month: 10943 (a) The total number of gallons of motor fuel received by 10944 the motor fuel dealer within the state and sold or otherwise 10945 disposed of during the preceding calendar month as set forth in 10946 section 5735.05 of the Revised Code; 10947 (b) The total number of gallons received during the 10948 preceding calendar month and sold or otherwise disposed of to 10949 another licensed motor fuel dealer pursuant to section 5735.05 10950 of the Revised Code; 10951 (c) To cover the costs of the motor fuel dealer in 10952 compiling the report, and evaporation, shrinkage, or other 10953 unaccounted-for losses: 10954

(b) Exported from this state to any other state or foreign

(i) If the report is timely filed and the tax is timely

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paid, three per cent of the total number of gallons of motor10956fuel received by the motor fuel dealer within the state during10957the preceding calendar month less the total number of gallons10958deducted under divisions (B)(1)(a) and (b) of this section, less10959one per cent of the total number of gallons of motor fuel that10960were sold to a retail dealer during the preceding calendar10961month;10962

(ii) If the report required by division (A) of this
section is not timely filed and the tax is not timely paid, no
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deduction shall be allowed;
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(iii) If the report is incomplete, no deduction shall be 10966
allowed for any fuel on which the tax is not timely reported and 10967
paid; 10968

(2) The number of gallons remaining after the deductions
 have been made shall be multiplied separately by each of the
 following amounts:

(a) The cents per gallon rate;

(b) Two cents.

The sum of the products prescribed by section 5735.05 of10974the Revised Code. The product obtained in divisions (B) (2) (a)10975and (b) of this section shall be the amount of motor fuel tax10976for the preceding calendar month.10977

(C) The report shall be filed together with payment of the
tax shown on the report to be due. The commissioner may extend
the time for filing reports and may remit all or part of
penalties which may become due under sections 5735.01 to 5735.99
of the Revised Code. For purposes of this section and sections
5735.062 and 5735.12 of the Revised Code, a report required to
be filed under this section and payment of the tax due under

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| this chapter are considered filed when received by the tax       | 10985 |
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| commissioner.  | 10986 |
| (D) The tax commissioner may require a motor fuel dealer         | 10987 |
| to file a report for a period other than one month. Such a       | 10988 |
| report, together with payment of the tax, shall be filed not     | 10989 |
| later than thirty days after the last day of the prescribed      | 10990 |
| reporting period.  | 10991 |
| (E) No person required by this section to file a tax             | 10992 |
| report shall file a false or fraudulent tax report or supporting | 10993 |
| schedule.  | 10994 |
| Sec. 5739.01. As used in this chapter:                           | 10995 |
| (A) "Person" includes individuals, receivers, assignees,         | 10996 |
| trustees in bankruptcy, estates, firms, partnerships,            | 10997 |
| associations, joint-stock companies, joint ventures, clubs,      | 10998 |
| societies, corporations, the state and its political             | 10999 |
| subdivisions, and combinations of individuals of any form.       | 11000 |
| (B) "Sale" and "selling" include all of the following            | 11001 |
| transactions for a consideration in any manner, whether          | 11002 |
| absolutely or conditionally, whether for a price or rental, in   | 11003 |
| money or by exchange, and by any means whatsoever:               | 11004 |
| (1) All transactions by which title or possession, or            | 11005 |
| both, of tangible personal property, is or is to be transferred, | 11006 |
| or a license to use or consume tangible personal property is or  | 11007 |
| is to be granted;  | 11008 |
| (2) All transactions by which lodging by a hotel is or is        | 11009 |
| to be furnished to transient guests;                             | 11010 |
| (3) All transactions by which:                                   | 11011 |
| (a) An item of tangible personal property is or is to be         | 11012 |

repaired, except property, the purchase of which would not be 11013 subject to the tax imposed by section 5739.02 of the Revised 11014 Code; 11015

(b) An item of tangible personal property is or is to be 11016 installed, except property, the purchase of which would not be 11017 subject to the tax imposed by section 5739.02 of the Revised 11018 Code or property that is or is to be incorporated into and will 11019 become a part of a production, transmission, transportation, or 11020 distribution system for the delivery of a public utility 11021 service; 11022

(c) The service of washing, cleaning, waxing, polishing,or painting a motor vehicle is or is to be furnished;11024

(d) Until August 1, 2003, industrial laundry cleaning11025services are or are to be provided and, on and after August 1,110262003, laundry Laundry and dry cleaning services are or are to be11027provided;11028

(e) Automatic data processing, computer services, or 11029 electronic information services are or are to be provided for 11030 use in business when the true object of the transaction is the 11031 11032 receipt by the consumer of automatic data processing, computer services, or electronic information services rather than the 11033 receipt of personal or professional services to which automatic 11034 data processing, computer services, or electronic information 11035 services are incidental or supplemental. Notwithstanding any 11036 other provision of this chapter, such transactions that occur 11037 between members of an affiliated group are not sales. An 11038 "affiliated group" means two or more persons related in such a 11039 way that one person owns or controls the business operation of 11040 another member of the group. In the case of corporations with 11041 stock, one corporation owns or controls another if it owns more 11042

| than fifty per cent of the other corporation's common stock with voting rights. | 11043<br>11044 |
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| (f) Telecommunications service, including prepaid calling                       | 11045          |
| service, prepaid wireless calling service, or ancillary service,                | 11046          |
| is or is to be provided, but not including coin-operated                        | 11047          |
| telephone service;  | 11048          |
| (g) Landscaping and lawn care service is or is to be                            | 11049          |
| provided;   | 11050          |
| (h) Private investigation and security service is or is to                      | 11051          |
| be provided;  | 11051          |
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| (i) Information services or tangible personal property is                       | 11053          |
| provided or ordered by means of a nine hundred telephone call;                  | 11054          |
| (j) Building maintenance and janitorial service is or is                        | 11055          |
| to be provided;   | 11056          |
| (k) Employment service is or is to be provided;                                 | 11057          |
| (1) Employment placement service is or is to be provided;                       | 11058          |
| (m) Exterminating service is or is to be provided;                              | 11059          |
| (n) Physical fitness facility service is or is to be                            | 11060          |
| provided;   | 11061          |
|   | 11000          |
| (o) Recreation and sports club service is or is to be                           | 11062          |
| provided;   | 11063          |
| (p) <del>On and after August 1, 2003, satellite <u>Satellite</u></del>          | 11064          |
| broadcasting service is or is to be provided;                                   | 11065          |
| (q) <del>On and after August 1, 2003, personal <u>Personal</u>care</del>        | 11066          |
| service is or is to be provided to an individual. As used in                    | 11067          |
| this division, "personal care service" includes skin care, the                  | 11068          |
| application of cosmetics, manicuring, pedicuring, hair removal,                 | 11069          |
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tattooing, body piercing, tanning, massage, and other similar11070services. "Personal care service" does not include a service11071provided by or on the order of a licensed physician or licensed11072chiropractor, or the cutting, coloring, or styling of an11073individual's hair.11074

(r) On and after August 1, 2003, the The transportation of 11075 persons by motor vehicle or aircraft is or is to be provided, 11076 when the transportation is entirely within this state, except 11077 for transportation provided by an ambulance service, by a 11078 transit bus, as defined in section 5735.01 of the Revised Code, 11079 and transportation provided by a citizen of the United States 11080 holding a certificate of public convenience and necessity issued 11081 under 49 U.S.C. 41102; 11082

(s) On and after August 1, 2003, motor Motor vehicle
towing service is or is to be provided. As used in this
division, "motor vehicle towing service" means the towing or
conveyance of a wrecked, disabled, or illegally parked motor
vehicle.

(t) On and after August 1, 2003, snow Snow removal service11088is or is to be provided. As used in this division, "snow removal11089service" means the removal of snow by any mechanized means, but11090does not include the providing of such service by a person that11091has less than five thousand dollars in sales of such service11092during the calendar year.11093

(u) Electronic publishing service is or is to be provided
to a consumer for use in business, except that such transactions
occurring between members of an affiliated group, as defined in
division (B) (3) (e) of this section, are not sales.

(4) All transactions by which printed, imprinted, 11098

overprinted, lithographic, multilithic, blueprinted,11099photostatic, or other productions or reproductions of written or11100graphic matter are or are to be furnished or transferred;11101

(5) The production or fabrication of tangible personal 11102 property for a consideration for consumers who furnish either 11103 directly or indirectly the materials used in the production of 11104 fabrication work; and include the furnishing, preparing, or 11105 serving for a consideration of any tangible personal property 11106 consumed on the premises of the person furnishing, preparing, or 11107 11108 serving such tangible personal property. Except as provided in section 5739.03 of the Revised Code, a construction contract 11109 pursuant to which tangible personal property is or is to be 11110 incorporated into a structure or improvement on and becoming a 11111 part of real property is not a sale of such tangible personal 11112 property. The construction contractor is the consumer of such 11113 tangible personal property, provided that the sale and 11114 installation of carpeting, the sale and installation of 11115 agricultural land tile, the sale and erection or installation of 11116 portable grain bins, or the provision of landscaping and lawn 11117 care service and the transfer of property as part of such 11118 service is never a construction contract. 11119

As used in division (B)(5) of this section: 11120

(a) "Agricultural land tile" means fired clay or concrete 11121 tile, or flexible or rigid perforated plastic pipe or tubing, 11122 incorporated or to be incorporated into a subsurface drainage 11123 system appurtenant to land used or to be used primarily in 11124 production by farming, agriculture, horticulture, or 11125 floriculture. The term does not include such materials when they 11126 are or are to be incorporated into a drainage system appurtenant 11127 to a building or structure even if the building or structure is 11128

used or to be used in such production.

(b) "Portable grain bin" means a structure that is used or
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to be used by a person engaged in farming or agriculture to
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shelter the person's grain and that is designed to be
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disassembled without significant damage to its component parts.

(6) All transactions in which all of the shares of stock 11134 of a closely held corporation are transferred, or an ownership 11135 interest in a pass-through entity, as defined in section 5733.04 11136 of the Revised Code, is transferred, if the corporation or pass-11137 through entity is not engaging in business and its entire assets 11138 consist of boats, planes, motor vehicles, or other tangible 11139 personal property operated primarily for the use and enjoyment 11140 of the shareholders or owners; 11141

(7) All transactions in which a warranty, maintenance or
service contract, or similar agreement by which the vendor of
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the warranty, contract, or agreement agrees to repair or
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maintain the tangible personal property of the consumer is or is
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to be provided;

(8) The transfer of copyrighted motion picture films used
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solely for advertising purposes, except that the transfer of
such films for exhibition purposes is not a sale;
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(9) On and after August 1, 2003, all <u>All</u> transactions by
which tangible personal property is or is to be stored, except
such property that the consumer of the storage holds for sale in
the regular course of business;

(10) All transactions in which "guaranteed auto 11154 protection" is provided whereby a person promises to pay to the 11155 consumer the difference between the amount the consumer receives 11156 from motor vehicle insurance and the amount the consumer owes to 11157

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a person holding title to or a lien on the consumer's motor 11158 vehicle in the event the consumer's motor vehicle suffers a 11159 total loss under the terms of the motor vehicle insurance policy 11160 or is stolen and not recovered, if the protection and its price 11161 are included in the purchase or lease agreement; 11162

(11) (a) Except as provided in division (B) (11) (b) of this 11163
section, on and after October 1, 2009, all transactions by which 11164
health care services are paid for, reimbursed, provided, 11165
delivered, arranged for, or otherwise made available by a 11166
medicaid health insuring corporation pursuant to the 11167
corporation's contract with the state. 11168

(b) If the centers for medicare and medicaid services of 11169 the United States department of health and human services 11170 determines that the taxation of transactions described in 11171 division (B)(11)(a) of this section constitutes an impermissible 11172 health care-related tax under the "Social Security Act," section 11173 1903(w), 42 U.S.C. 1396b(w), and regulations adopted thereunder, 11174 the medicaid director shall notify the tax commissioner of that 11175 determination. Beginning with the first day of the month 11176 following that notification, the transactions described in 11177 division (B)(11)(a) of this section are not sales for the 11178 purposes of this chapter or Chapter 5741. of the Revised Code. 11179 The tax commissioner shall order that the collection of taxes 11180 under sections 5739.02, 5739.021, 5739.023, 5739.026, 5741.02, 11181 5741.021, 5741.022, and 5741.023 of the Revised Code shall cease 11182 for transactions occurring on or after that date. 11183

(12) All transactions by which a specified digital product
is provided for permanent use or less than permanent use,
regardless of whether continued payment is required.
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Except as provided in this section, "sale" and "selling" 11187

do not include transfers of interest in leased property where11188the original lessee and the terms of the original lease11189agreement remain unchanged, or professional, insurance, or11190personal service transactions that involve the transfer of11191tangible personal property as an inconsequential element, for11192which no separate charges are made.11193

(C) "Vendor" means the person providing the service or by 11194 whom the transfer effected or license given by a sale is or is 11195 to be made or given and, for sales described in division (B)(3) 11196 (i) of this section, the telecommunications service vendor that 11197 provides the nine hundred telephone service; if two or more 11198 persons are engaged in business at the same place of business 11199 under a single trade name in which all collections on account of 11200 sales by each are made, such persons shall constitute a single 11201 vendor. 11202

Physicians, dentists, hospitals, and veterinarians who are11203engaged in selling tangible personal property as received from11204others, such as eyeglasses, mouthwashes, dentifrices, or similar11205articles, are vendors. Veterinarians who are engaged in11206transferring to others for a consideration drugs, the dispensing11207of which does not require an order of a licensed veterinarian or11208physician under federal law, are vendors.11209

The operator of any peer-to-peer car sharing program shall 11210 be considered to be the vendor. 11211

(D) (1) "Consumer" means the person for whom the service is 11212
provided, to whom the transfer effected or license given by a 11213
sale is or is to be made or given, to whom the service described 11214
in division (B) (3) (f) or (i) of this section is charged, or to 11215
whom the admission is granted. 11216

(2) Physicians, dentists, hospitals, and blood banks 11217 operated by nonprofit institutions and persons licensed to 11218 practice veterinary medicine, surgery, and dentistry are 11219 consumers of all tangible personal property and services 11220 purchased by them in connection with the practice of medicine, 11221 dentistry, the rendition of hospital or blood bank service, or 11222 the practice of veterinary medicine, surgery, and dentistry. In 11223 addition to being consumers of drugs administered by them or by 11224 their assistants according to their direction, veterinarians 11225 also are consumers of drugs that under federal law may be 11226 dispensed only by or upon the order of a licensed veterinarian 11227 or physician, when transferred by them to others for a 11228 consideration to provide treatment to animals as directed by the 11229 veterinarian. 11230

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

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

(b) In the case of a person who produces, rather than
purchases, printed matter for the purpose of distributing it or
having it distributed to the public or to a designated segment
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of the public, free of charge, that person is the consumer of11247all tangible personal property and services purchased for use or11248consumption in the production of that printed matter. That11249person is not entitled to claim exemption under division (B) (42)11250(f) of section 5739.02 of the Revised Code for any material11251incorporated into the printed matter or any equipment, supplies,11252or services primarily used to produce the printed matter.11253

(c) The distribution of printed matter to the public or to
a designated segment of the public, free of charge, is not a
sale to the members of the public to whom the printed matter is
distributed or to any persons who purchase space in the printed
matter for advertising or other purposes.

(5) A person who makes sales of any of the services listed
in division (B) (3) of this section is the consumer of any
tangible personal property used in performing the service. The
purchase of that property is not subject to the resale exception
under division (E) of this section.

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

(7) In the case of a transaction for health care services 11269 under division (B)(11) of this section, a medicaid health 11270 insuring corporation is the consumer of such services. The 11271 purchase of such services by a medicaid health insuring 11272 corporation is not subject to the exception for resale under 11273 division (E) of this section or to the exemptions provided under 11274 divisions (B)(12), (18), (19), and (22) of section 5739.02 of 11275 the Revised Code. 11276

(E) "Retail sale" and "sales at retail" include all sales, 11277
except those in which the purpose of the consumer is to resell 11278
the thing transferred or benefit of the service provided, by a 11279
person engaging in business, in the form in which the same is, 11280
or is to be, received by the person. 11281

(F) "Business" includes any activity engaged in by any
person with the object of gain, benefit, or advantage, either
direct or indirect. "Business" does not include the activity of
a person in managing and investing the person's own funds.

(G) "Engaging in business" means commencing, conducting, 11286
or continuing in business, and liquidating a business when the 11287
liquidator thereof holds itself out to the public as conducting 11288
such business. Making a casual sale is not engaging in business. 11289

(H) (1) (a) "Price," except as provided in divisions (H) (2), 11290
(3), and (4) of this section, means the total amount of 11291
consideration, including cash, credit, property, and services, 11292
for which tangible personal property or services are sold, 11293
leased, or rented, valued in money, whether received in money or 11294
otherwise, without any deduction for any of the following: 11295

(i) The vendor's cost of the property sold; 11296

(ii) The cost of materials used, labor or service costs,
interest, losses, all costs of transportation to the vendor, all
taxes imposed on the vendor, including the tax imposed under
Chapter 5751. of the Revised Code, and any other expense of the
vendor;

(iii) Charges by the vendor for any services necessary to 11302 complete the sale; 11303

(iv) On and after August 1, 2003, delivery Delivery 11304 charges. As used in this division, "delivery charges" means 11305

charges by the vendor for preparation and delivery to a location 11306 designated by the consumer of tangible personal property or a 11307 service, including transportation, shipping, postage, handling, 11308 crating, and packing. 11309

- (v) Installation charges; 11310
- (vi) Credit for any trade-in. 11311

(b) "Price" includes consideration received by the vendor 11312 from a third party, if the vendor actually receives the 11313 consideration from a party other than the consumer, and the 11314 consideration is directly related to a price reduction or 11315 discount on the sale; the vendor has an obligation to pass the 11316 price reduction or discount through to the consumer; the amount 11317 of the consideration attributable to the sale is fixed and 11318 determinable by the vendor at the time of the sale of the item 11319 to the consumer; and one of the following criteria is met: 11320

(i) The consumer presents a coupon, certificate, or other
document to the vendor to claim a price reduction or discount
where the coupon, certificate, or document is authorized,
distributed, or granted by a third party with the understanding
that the third party will reimburse any vendor to whom the
coupon, certificate, or document is presented;

(ii) The consumer identifies the consumer's self to the
seller as a member of a group or organization entitled to a
price reduction or discount. A preferred customer card that is
available to any patron does not constitute membership in such a
group or organization.

(iii) The price reduction or discount is identified as a 11332third party price reduction or discount on the invoice received 11333by the consumer, or on a coupon, certificate, or other document 11334

presented by the consumer.

(c) "Price" does not include any of the following: 11336

(i) Discounts, including cash, term, or coupons that are
not reimbursed by a third party that are allowed by a vendor and
taken by a consumer on a sale;
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(ii) Interest, financing, and carrying charges from credit
extended on the sale of tangible personal property or services,
if the amount is separately stated on the invoice, bill of sale,
or similar document given to the purchaser;

(iii) Any taxes legally imposed directly on the consumer 11344 that are separately stated on the invoice, bill of sale, or 11345 similar document given to the consumer. For the purpose of this 11346 division, the tax imposed under Chapter 5751. of the Revised 11347 Code is not a tax directly on the consumer, even if the tax or a 11348 portion thereof is separately stated. 11349

(iv) Notwithstanding divisions (H)(1)(b)(i) to (iii) of 11350 this section, any discount allowed by an automobile manufacturer 11351 to its employee, or to the employee of a supplier, on the 11352 purchase of a new motor vehicle from a new motor vehicle dealer 11353 in this state. 11354

(v) The dollar value of a gift card that is not sold by a 11355 vendor or purchased by a consumer and that is redeemed by the 11356 consumer in purchasing tangible personal property or services if 11357 the vendor is not reimbursed and does not receive compensation 11358 from a third party to cover all or part of the gift card value. 11359 For the purposes of this division, a gift card is not sold by a 11360 vendor or purchased by a consumer if it is distributed pursuant 11361 to an awards, loyalty, or promotional program. Past and present 11362 purchases of tangible personal property or services by the 11363

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consumer shall not be treated as consideration exchanged for a 11364 gift card. 11365

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

(3) In the case of a sale of any watercraft or outboard 11373 motor by a watercraft dealer licensed in accordance with section 11374 1547.543 of the Revised Code, in which another watercraft, 11375 watercraft and trailer, or outboard motor is accepted by the 11376 dealer as part of the consideration received, "price" has the 11377 same meaning as in division (H)(1) of this section, reduced by 11378 the credit afforded the consumer by the dealer for the 11379 watercraft, watercraft and trailer, or outboard motor received 11380 in trade. As used in this division, "watercraft" includes an 11381 outdrive unit attached to the watercraft. 11382

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

(I) "Receipts" means the total amount of the prices of the
sales of vendors, provided that the dollar value of gift cards
distributed pursuant to an awards, loyalty, or promotional
program, and cash discounts allowed and taken on sales at the
time they are consummated are not included, minus any amount
deducted as a bad debt pursuant to section 5739.121 of the
Revised Code. "Receipts" does not include the sale price of

property returned or services rejected by consumers when the full sale price and tax are refunded either in cash or by credit.

(J) "Place of business" means any location at which a 11397 person engages in business. 11398

(K) "Premises" includes any real property or portion 11399 thereof upon which any person engages in selling tangible 11400 personal property at retail or making retail sales and also 11401 includes any real property or portion thereof designated for, or 11402 devoted to, use in conjunction with the business engaged in by 11403 such person. 11404

(L) "Casual sale" means a sale of an item of tangible 11405 personal property that was obtained by the person making the 11406 sale, through purchase or otherwise, for the person's own use 11407 and was previously subject to any state's taxing jurisdiction on 11408 its sale or use, and includes such items acquired for the 11409 seller's use that are sold by an auctioneer employed directly by 11410 the person for such purpose, provided the location of such sales 11411 is not the auctioneer's permanent place of business. As used in 11412 this division, "permanent place of business" includes any 11413 location where such auctioneer has conducted more than two 11414 auctions during the year. 11415

(M) "Hotel" means every establishment kept, used, 11416 maintained, advertised, or held out to the public to be a place 11417 where sleeping accommodations are offered to quests, in which 11418 five or more rooms are used for the accommodation of such 11419 quests, whether the rooms are in one or several structures, 11420 except as otherwise provided in <del>division (G) of</del> section <del>5739.09</del> 11421 5739.091 of the Revised Code. 11422

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(N) "Transient guests" means persons occupying a room or 11423
 rooms for sleeping accommodations for less than thirty 11424
 consecutive days. 11425

(O) "Making retail sales" means the effecting of 11426 transactions wherein one party is obligated to pay the price and 11427 the other party is obligated to provide a service or to transfer 11428 title to or possession of the item sold. "Making retail sales" 11429 does not include the preliminary acts of promoting or soliciting 11430 the retail sales, other than the distribution of printed matter 11431 11432 which displays or describes and prices the item offered for sale, nor does it include delivery of a predetermined quantity 11433 of tangible personal property or transportation of property or 11434 personnel to or from a place where a service is performed. 11435

(P) "Used directly in the rendition of a public utility 11436 service" means that property that is to be incorporated into and 11437 will become a part of the consumer's production, transmission, 11438 transportation, or distribution system and that retains its 11439 classification as tangible personal property after such 11440 incorporation; fuel or power used in the production, 11441 transmission, transportation, or distribution system; and 11442 tangible personal property used in the repair and maintenance of 11443 the production, transmission, transportation, or distribution 11444 system, including only such motor vehicles as are specially 11445 designed and equipped for such use. Tangible personal property 11446 and services used primarily in providing highway transportation 11447 for hire are not used directly in the rendition of a public 11448 utility service. In this definition, "public utility" includes a 11449 citizen of the United States holding, and required to hold, a 11450 certificate of public convenience and necessity issued under 49 11451 U.S.C. 41102. 11452

(Q) "Refining" means removing or separating a desirable
 product from raw or contaminated materials by distillation or
 physical, mechanical, or chemical processes.
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(R) "Assembly" and "assembling" mean attaching or fitting11456together parts to form a product, but do not include packaging aproduct.

(S) "Manufacturing operation" means a process in which
materials are changed, converted, or transformed into a
different state or form from which they previously existed and
includes refining materials, assembling parts, and preparing raw
materials and parts by mixing, measuring, blending, or otherwise
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committing such materials or parts to the manufacturing process.
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"Manufacturing operation" does not include packaging.

(T) "Fiscal officer" means, with respect to a regional 11466
transit authority, the secretary-treasurer thereof, and with 11467
respect to a county that is a transit authority, the fiscal 11468
officer of the county transit board if one is appointed pursuant 11469
to section 306.03 of the Revised Code or the county auditor if 11470
the board of county commissioners operates the county transit 11471
system. 11472

(U) "Transit authority" means a regional transit authority 11473 created pursuant to section 306.31 of the Revised Code or a 11474 county in which a county transit system is created pursuant to 11475 section 306.01 of the Revised Code. For the purposes of this 11476 chapter, a transit authority must extend to at least the entire 11477 area of a single county. A transit authority that includes 11478 territory in more than one county must include all the area of 11479 the most populous county that is a part of such transit 11480 authority. County population shall be measured by the most 11481 recent census taken by the United States census bureau. 11482

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(V) "Legislative authority" means, with respect to a 11483
regional transit authority, the board of trustees thereof, and 11484
with respect to a county that is a transit authority, the board 11485
of county commissioners. 11486

(W) "Territory of the transit authority" means all of the 11487 area included within the territorial boundaries of a transit 11488 authority as they from time to time exist. Such territorial 11489 boundaries must at all times include all the area of a single 11490 county or all the area of the most populous county that is a 11491 part of such transit authority. County population shall be 11492 measured by the most recent census taken by the United States 11493 census bureau. 11494

(X) "Providing a service" means providing or furnishing
 anything described in division (B) (3) of this section for
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 consideration.

(Y) (1) (a) "Automatic data processing" means processing of 11498
others' data, including keypunching or similar data entry 11499
services together with verification thereof, or providing access 11500
to computer equipment for the purpose of processing data. 11501

(b) "Computer services" means providing services11502consisting of specifying computer hardware configurations and11503evaluating technical processing characteristics, computer11504programming, and training of computer programmers and operators,11505provided in conjunction with and to support the sale, lease, or11506operation of taxable computer equipment or systems.11507

(c) "Electronic information services" means providing
access to computer equipment by means of telecommunications
equipment for the purpose of either of the following:
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(i) Examining or acquiring data stored in or accessible to 11511

the computer equipment; 11512 (ii) Placing data into the computer equipment to be 11513 retrieved by designated recipients with access to the computer 11514 equipment. 11515 11516 For transactions occurring on or after the effective date of the amendment of this section by H.B. 157 of the 127th-11517 general assembly, December 21, 2007, "electronic "Electronic 11518 information services" does not include electronic publishing. 11519 (d) "Automatic data processing, computer services, or 11520 electronic information services" shall not include personal or 11521 11522 professional services. (2) As used in divisions (B)(3)(e) and (Y)(1) of this 11523 section, "personal and professional services" means all services 11524 other than automatic data processing, computer services, or 11525 electronic information services, including but not limited to: 11526 (a) Accounting and legal services such as advice on tax 11527 matters, asset management, budgetary matters, quality control, 11528 information security, and auditing and any other situation where 11529 the service provider receives data or information and studies, 11530 alters, analyzes, interprets, or adjusts such material; 11531 (b) Analyzing business policies and procedures; 11532 (c) Identifying management information needs; 11533 (d) Feasibility studies, including economic and technical 11534 analysis of existing or potential computer hardware or software 11535 needs and alternatives; 11536

(e) Designing policies, procedures, and custom software
for collecting business information, and determining how data
should be summarized, sequenced, formatted, processed,
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| controlled, and reported so that it will be meaningful to        | 11540 |
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| management;  | 11541 |
| (f) Developing policies and procedures that document how         | 11542 |
| business events and transactions are to be authorized, executed, | 11543 |
| and controlled;  | 11544 |
| (g) Testing of business procedures;                              | 11545 |
| (h) Training personnel in business procedure applications;       | 11546 |
| (i) Providing credit information to users of such                | 11547 |
| information by a consumer reporting agency, as defined in the    | 11548 |
| "Fair Credit Reporting Act," 84 Stat. 1114, 1129 (1970), 15      | 11549 |
| U.S.C. 1681a(f), or as hereafter amended, including but not      | 11550 |
| limited to gathering, organizing, analyzing, recording, and      | 11551 |
| furnishing such information by any oral, written, graphic, or    | 11552 |
| electronic medium;   | 11553 |
| (j) Providing debt collection services by any oral,              | 11554 |
| written, graphic, or electronic means;                           | 11555 |
| (k) Providing digital advertising services.                      | 11556 |
| The services listed in divisions (Y)(2)(a) to (k) of this        | 11557 |
| section are not automatic data processing or computer services.  | 11558 |
| (Z) "Highway transportation for hire" means the                  | 11559 |
| transportation of personal property belonging to others for      | 11560 |
| consideration by any of the following:                           | 11561 |
| (1) The holder of a permit or certificate issued by this         | 11562 |
| state or the United States authorizing the holder to engage in   | 11563 |
| transportation of personal property belonging to others for      | 11564 |
| consideration over or on highways, roadways, streets, or any     | 11565 |
| similar public thoroughfare;                                     | 11566 |

(2) A person who engages in the transportation of personal
property belonging to others for consideration over or on
highways, roadways, streets, or any similar public thoroughfare
but who could not have engaged in such transportation on
December 11, 1985, unless the person was the holder of a permit
or certificate of the types described in division (Z) (1) of this
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section;

(3) A person who leases a motor vehicle to and operates it
for a person described by division (Z) (1) or (2) of this
section.

(AA) (1) "Telecommunications service" means the electronic 11577 transmission, conveyance, or routing of voice, data, audio, 11578 video, or any other information or signals to a point, or 11579 between or among points. "Telecommunications service" includes 11580 such transmission, conveyance, or routing in which computer 11581 processing applications are used to act on the form, code, or 11582 protocol of the content for purposes of transmission, 11583 conveyance, or routing without regard to whether the service is 11584 referred to as voice-over internet protocol service or is 11585 classified by the federal communications commission as enhanced 11586 or value-added. "Telecommunications service" does not include 11587 11588 any of the following:

(a) Data processing and information services that allow
data to be generated, acquired, stored, processed, or retrieved
and delivered by an electronic transmission to a consumer where
the consumer's primary purpose for the underlying transaction is
the processed data or information;

(b) Installation or maintenance of wiring or equipment on 11594a customer's premises; 11595

| (c) Tangible personal property;                                  | 11596 |
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| (d) Advertising, including directory advertising;                | 11597 |
| (e) Billing and collection services provided to third            | 11598 |
| parties;   | 11599 |
| (f) Internet access service;                                     | 11600 |
| (g) Radio and television audio and video programming             | 11601 |
| services, regardless of the medium, including the furnishing of  | 11602 |
| transmission, conveyance, and routing of such services by the    | 11603 |
| programming service provider. Radio and television audio and     | 11604 |
| video programming services include, but are not limited to,      | 11605 |
| cable service, as defined in 47 U.S.C. 522(6), and audio and     | 11606 |
| video programming services delivered by commercial mobile radio  | 11607 |
| service providers, as defined in 47 C.F.R. 20.3;                 | 11608 |
| (h) Ancillary service;   | 11609 |
| (i) Digital products delivered electronically, including         | 11610 |
| software, music, video, reading materials, or ring tones.        | 11611 |
| (2) "Ancillary service" means a service that is associated       | 11612 |
| with or incidental to the provision of telecommunications        | 11613 |
| service, including conference bridging service, detailed         | 11614 |
| telecommunications billing service, directory assistance,        | 11615 |
| vertical service, and voice mail service. As used in this        | 11616 |
| division:  | 11617 |
| (a) "Conference bridging service" means an ancillary             | 11618 |
| service that links two or more participants of an audio or video | 11619 |
| conference call, including providing a telephone number.         | 11620 |
| "Conference bridging service" does not include                   | 11621 |
| telecommunications services used to reach the conference bridge. | 11622 |

(b) "Detailed telecommunications billing service" means an 11623

ancillary service of separately stating information pertaining 11624 to individual calls on a customer's billing statement. 11625 (c) "Directory assistance" means an ancillary service of 11626 providing telephone number or address information. 11627

(d) "Vertical service" means an ancillary service that is11628offered in connection with one or more telecommunications11629services, which offers advanced calling features that allow11630customers to identify callers and manage multiple calls and call11631connections, including conference bridging service.11632

(e) "Voice mail service" means an ancillary service that
enables the customer to store, send, or receive recorded
messages. "Voice mail service" does not include any vertical
services that the customer may be required to have in order to
utilize the voice mail service.

(3) "900 service" means an inbound toll telecommunications 11638 service purchased by a subscriber that allows the subscriber's 11639 customers to call in to the subscriber's prerecorded 11640 announcement or live service, and which is typically marketed 11641 under the name "900 service" and any subsequent numbers 11642 designated by the federal communications commission. "900 11643 service" does not include the charge for collection services 11644 provided by the seller of the telecommunications service to the 11645 subscriber, or services or products sold by the subscriber to 11646 the subscriber's customer. 11647

(4) "Prepaid calling service" means the right to access
exclusively telecommunications services, which must be paid for
in advance and which enables the origination of calls using an
access number or authorization code, whether manually or
electronically dialed, and that is sold in predetermined units

| or dollars of which the number declines with use in a known      | 11653 |
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| amount.  | 11654 |
| (5) "Prepaid wireless calling service" means a                   | 11655 |
| telecommunications service that provides the right to utilize    | 11656 |
| mobile telecommunications service as well as other non-          | 11657 |
| telecommunications services, including the download of digital   | 11658 |
| products delivered electronically, and content and ancillary     | 11659 |
| services, that must be paid for in advance and that is sold in   | 11660 |
| predetermined units or dollars of which the number declines with | 11661 |
| use in a known amount.   | 11662 |
| (6) "Value-added non-voice data service" means a                 | 11663 |
| telecommunications service in which computer processing          | 11664 |
| applications are used to act on the form, content, code, or      | 11665 |
| protocol of the information or data primarily for a purpose      | 11666 |
| other than transmission, conveyance, or routing.                 | 11667 |
| (7) "Coin-operated telephone service" means a                    | 11668 |
| telecommunications service paid for by inserting money into a    | 11669 |
| telephone accepting direct deposits of money to operate.         | 11670 |
| (8) "Customer" has the same meaning as in section 5739.034       | 11671 |
| of the Revised Code.   | 11672 |
| (BB) "Laundry and dry cleaning services" means removing          | 11673 |
| soil or dirt from towels, linens, articles of clothing, or other | 11674 |
| fabric items that belong to others and supplying towels, linens, | 11675 |
| articles of clothing, or other fabric items. "Laundry and dry    | 11676 |
| cleaning services" does not include the provision of self-       | 11677 |
| service facilities for use by consumers to remove soil or dirt   | 11678 |
| from towels, linens, articles of clothing, or other fabric       | 11679 |
| items.   | 11680 |
| (CC) "Magazines distributed as controlled circulation            | 11681 |

publications" means magazines containing at least twenty-four 11682 pages, at least twenty-five per cent editorial content, issued 11683 at regular intervals four or more times a year, and circulated 11684 without charge to the recipient, provided that such magazines 11685 are not owned or controlled by individuals or business concerns 11686 which conduct such publications as an auxiliary to, and 11687 essentially for the advancement of the main business or calling 11688 of, those who own or control them. 11689

(DD) "Landscaping and lawn care service" means the 11690 11691 services of planting, seeding, sodding, removing, cutting, trimming, pruning, mulching, aerating, applying chemicals, 11692 watering, fertilizing, and providing similar services to 11693 establish, promote, or control the growth of trees, shrubs, 11694 flowers, grass, ground cover, and other flora, or otherwise 11695 maintaining a lawn or landscape grown or maintained by the owner 11696 for ornamentation or other nonagricultural purpose. However, 11697 "landscaping and lawn care service" does not include the 11698 providing of such services by a person who has less than five 11699 thousand dollars in sales of such services during the calendar 11700 11701 year.

(EE) "Private investigation and security service" means 11702 the performance of any activity for which the provider of such 11703 service is required to be licensed pursuant to Chapter 4749. of 11704 the Revised Code, or would be required to be so licensed in 11705 performing such services in this state, and also includes the 11706 services of conducting polygraph examinations and of monitoring 11707 or overseeing the activities on or in, or the condition of, the 11708 consumer's home, business, or other facility by means of 11709 electronic or similar monitoring devices. "Private investigation 11710 and security service" does not include special duty services 11711 provided by off-duty police officers, deputy sheriffs, and other 11712

peace officers regularly employed by the state or a political 11713 subdivision.

(FF) "Information services" means providing conversation, 11715 giving consultation or advice, playing or making a voice or 11716 other recording, making or keeping a record of the number of 11717 callers, and any other service provided to a consumer by means 11718 of a nine hundred telephone call, except when the nine hundred 11719 telephone call is the means by which the consumer makes a 11720 contribution to a recognized charity. 11721

(GG) "Research and development" means designing, creating, 11722 or formulating new or enhanced products, equipment, or 11723 manufacturing processes, and also means conducting scientific or 11724 technological inquiry and experimentation in the physical 11725 sciences with the goal of increasing scientific knowledge which 11726 may reveal the bases for new or enhanced products, equipment, or 11727 manufacturing processes. 11728

(HH) "Qualified research and development equipment" means 11729 capitalized tangible personal property, and leased personal 11730 property that would be capitalized if purchased, used by a 11731 person primarily to perform research and development. Tangible 11732 personal property primarily used in testing, as defined in 11733 division (A)(4) of section 5739.011 of the Revised Code, or used 11734 for recording or storing test results, is not qualified research 11735 and development equipment unless such property is primarily used 11736 by the consumer in testing the product, equipment, or 11737 manufacturing process being created, designed, or formulated by 11738 the consumer in the research and development activity or in 11739 recording or storing such test results. 11740

(II) "Building maintenance and janitorial service" meanscleaning the interior or exterior of a building and any tangible11742

personal property located therein or thereon, including any 11743 services incidental to such cleaning for which no separate 11744 charge is made. However, "building maintenance and janitorial 11745 service" does not include the providing of such service by a 11746 person who has less than five thousand dollars in sales of such 11747 service during the calendar year. As used in this division, 11748 "cleaning" does not include sanitation services necessary for an 11749 establishment described in 21 U.S.C. 608 to comply with rules 11750 and regulations adopted pursuant to that section. 11751

(JJ) "Employment service" means providing or supplying 11752 personnel, on a temporary or long-term basis, to perform work or 11753 labor under the supervision or control of another, when the 11754 personnel so provided or supplied receive their wages, salary, 11755 or other compensation from the provider or supplier of the 11756 employment service or from a third party that provided or 11757 supplied the personnel to the provider or supplier. "Employment 11758 service" does not include: 11759

(1) Acting as a contractor or subcontractor, where the 11760
personnel performing the work are not under the direct control 11761
of the purchaser. 11762

(2) Medical and health care services. 11763

(3) Supplying personnel to a purchaser pursuant to a
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contract of at least one year between the service provider and
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the purchaser that specifies that each employee covered under
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the contract is assigned to the purchaser on a permanent basis.

(4) Transactions between members of an affiliated group, 11768as defined in division (B)(3)(e) of this section. 11769

(5) Transactions where the personnel so provided or 11770supplied by a provider or supplier to a purchaser of an 11771

employment service are then provided or supplied by that11772purchaser to a third party as an employment service, except11773"employment service" does include the transaction between that11774purchaser and the third party.11775

(KK) "Employment placement service" means locating orfinding employment for a person or finding or locating an11777employee to fill an available position.

(LL) "Exterminating service" means eradicating or 11779 attempting to eradicate vermin infestations from a building or 11780 structure, or the area surrounding a building or structure, and 11781 includes activities to inspect, detect, or prevent vermin 11782 infestation of a building or structure. 11783

(MM) "Physical fitness facility service" means all 11784 transactions by which a membership is granted, maintained, or 11785 renewed, including initiation fees, membership dues, renewal 11786 fees, monthly minimum fees, and other similar fees and dues, by 11787 a physical fitness facility such as an athletic club, health 11788 spa, or gymnasium, which entitles the member to use the facility 11789 for physical exercise. 11790

(NN) "Recreation and sports club service" means all 11791 transactions by which a membership is granted, maintained, or 11792 renewed, including initiation fees, membership dues, renewal 11793 fees, monthly minimum fees, and other similar fees and dues, by 11794 a recreation and sports club, which entitles the member to use 11795 the facilities of the organization. "Recreation and sports club" 11796 means an organization that has ownership of, or controls or 11797 leases on a continuing, long-term basis, the facilities used by 11798 its members and includes an aviation club, gun or shooting club, 11799 yacht club, card club, swimming club, tennis club, golf club, 11800 country club, riding club, amateur sports club, or similar 11801

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| (00) "Livestock" means farm animals commonly raised for         | 11803 |
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| food, food production, or other agricultural purposes,          | 11804 |
| including, but not limited to, cattle, sheep, goats, swine,     | 11805 |
| poultry, and captive deer. "Livestock" does not include         | 11806 |
| invertebrates, amphibians, reptiles, domestic pets, animals for | 11807 |
| use in laboratories or for exhibition, or other animals not     | 11808 |
| commonly raised for food or food production.                    | 11809 |

(PP) "Livestock structure" means a building or structure 11810 used exclusively for the housing, raising, feeding, or 11811 sheltering of livestock, and includes feed storage or handling 11812 structures and structures for livestock waste handling. 11813

(QQ) "Horticulture" means the growing, cultivation, and 11814
production of flowers, fruits, herbs, vegetables, sod, 11815
mushrooms, and nursery stock. As used in this division, "nursery 11816
stock" has the same meaning as in section 927.51 of the Revised 11817
Code. 11818

(RR) "Horticulture structure" means a building or 11819
structure used exclusively for the commercial growing, raising, 11820
or overwintering of horticultural products, and includes the 11821
area used for stocking, storing, and packing horticultural 11822
products when done in conjunction with the production of those 11823
products. 11824

(SS) "Newspaper" means an unbound publication bearing a 11825 title or name that is regularly published, at least as 11826 frequently as biweekly, and distributed from a fixed place of 11827 business to the public in a specific geographic area, and that 11828 contains a substantial amount of news matter of international, 11829 national, or local events of interest to the general public. 11830

| (TT) <u>"Peer-to-peer car sharing program" has the same</u>      | 11831 |
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| meaning as in section 4516.01 of the Revised Code.               | 11832 |
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| (UU)(1) "Lease" or "rental" means any transfer of the            | 11833 |
| possession or control of tangible personal property for a fixed  | 11834 |
| or indefinite term, for consideration. "Lease" or "rental"       | 11835 |
| includes future options to purchase or extend, and agreements    | 11836 |
| described in 26 U.S.C. 7701(h)(1) covering motor vehicles and    | 11837 |
| trailers where the amount of consideration may be increased or   | 11838 |
| decreased by reference to the amount realized upon the sale or   | 11839 |
| disposition of the property. "Lease" or "rental" does not        | 11840 |
| include:   | 11841 |
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| (a) A transfer of possession or control of tangible              | 11842 |
| personal property under a security agreement or a deferred       | 11843 |
| payment plan that requires the transfer of title upon completion | 11844 |
| of the required payments;  | 11845 |
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(b) A transfer of possession or control of tangible
personal property under an agreement that requires the transfer
of title upon completion of required payments and payment of an
option price that does not exceed the greater of one hundred
dollars or one per cent of the total required payments;

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

(2) "Lease" and "rental," as defined in division (UU) of 11856
this section, shall not apply to leases or rentals that exist 11857
before June 26, 2003. 11858

(3) "Lease" and "rental" have the same meaning as in 11859

division (UU)(1) of this section regardless of whether a11860transaction is characterized as a lease or rental under11861generally accepted accounting principles, the Internal Revenue11862Code, Title XIII of the Revised Code, or other federal, state,11863or local laws.11864

(VV) "Mobile telecommunications service" has the same 11865 meaning as in the "Mobile Telecommunications Sourcing Act," Pub. 11866 L. No. 106-252, 114 Stat. 631 (2000), 4 U.S.C.A. 124(7), as 11867 amended, and, on and after August 1, 2003, includes related fees 11868 and ancillary services, including universal service fees, 11869 detailed billing service, directory assistance, service 11870 initiation, voice mail service, and vertical services, such as 11871 caller ID and three-way calling. 11872

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

(XX) "Satellite broadcasting service" means the 11875 distribution or broadcasting of programming or services by 11876 satellite directly to the subscriber's receiving equipment 11877 without the use of ground receiving or distribution equipment, 11878 except the subscriber's receiving equipment or equipment used in 11879 the uplink process to the satellite, and includes all service 11880 and rental charges, premium channels or other special services, 11881 installation and repair service charges, and any other charges 11882 having any connection with the provision of the satellite 11883 broadcasting service. 11884

(YY) "Tangible personal property" means personal property 11885 that can be seen, weighed, measured, felt, or touched, or that 11886 is in any other manner perceptible to the senses. For purposes 11887 of this chapter and Chapter 5741. of the Revised Code, "tangible 11888 personal property" includes motor vehicles, electricity, water, 11889

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| gas, steam, and prewritten computer software.                    | 11890 |
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| (ZZ) "Municipal gas utility" means a municipal corporation       | 11891 |
| that owns or operates a system for the distribution of natural   | 11892 |
| gas.   | 11893 |
| (AAA) "Computer" means an electronic device that accepts         | 11894 |
| information in digital or similar form and manipulates it for a  | 11895 |
| result based on a sequence of instructions.                      | 11896 |
| (BBB) "Computer software" means a set of coded                   | 11897 |
| instructions designed to cause a computer or automatic data      | 11898 |
| processing equipment to perform a task.                          | 11899 |
| (CCC) "Delivered electronically" means delivery of               | 11900 |
| computer software from the seller to the purchaser by means      | 11901 |
| other than tangible storage media.                               | 11902 |
| (DDD) "Prewritten computer software" means computer              | 11903 |
| software, including prewritten upgrades, that is not designed    | 11904 |
| and developed by the author or other creator to the              | 11905 |
| specifications of a specific purchaser. The combining of two or  | 11906 |
| more prewritten computer software programs or prewritten         | 11907 |
| portions thereof does not cause the combination to be other than | 11908 |
| prewritten computer software. "Prewritten computer software"     | 11909 |
| includes software designed and developed by the author or other  | 11910 |
| creator to the specifications of a specific purchaser when it is | 11911 |
| sold to a person other than the purchaser. If a person modifies  | 11912 |
| or enhances computer software of which the person is not the     | 11913 |
| author or creator, the person shall be deemed to be the author   | 11914 |
| or creator only of such person's modifications or enhancements.  | 11915 |
| Prewritten computer software or a prewritten portion thereof     | 11916 |
| that is modified or enhanced to any degree, where such           | 11917 |
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modification or enhancement is designed and developed to the

specifications of a specific purchaser, remains prewritten11919computer software; provided, however, that where there is a11920reasonable, separately stated charge or an invoice or other11921statement of the price given to the purchaser for the11922modification or enhancement, the modification or enhancement11923shall not constitute prewritten computer software.11924

(EEE)(1) "Food" means substances, whether in liquid, 11925 concentrated, solid, frozen, dried, or dehydrated form, that are 11926 sold for ingestion or chewing by humans and are consumed for 11927 their taste or nutritional value. "Food" does not include 11928 alcoholic beverages, dietary supplements, soft drinks, or 11929 tobacco. 11930

(2) As used in division (EEE)(1) of this section: 11931

(a) "Alcoholic beverages" means beverages that are
suitable for human consumption and contain one-half of one per
cent or more of alcohol by volume.

(b) "Dietary supplements" means any product, other than 11935 tobacco, that is intended to supplement the diet and that is 11936 intended for ingestion in tablet, capsule, powder, softgel, 11937 gelcap, or liquid form, or, if not intended for ingestion in 11938 such a form, is not represented as conventional food for use as 11939 a sole item of a meal or of the diet; that is required to be 11940 labeled as a dietary supplement, identifiable by the "supplement 11941 facts" box found on the label, as required by 21 C.F.R. 101.36; 11942 and that contains one or more of the following dietary 11943 ingredients: 11944

(i) A vitamin; 11945
 (ii) A mineral; 11946
 (iii) An herb or other botanical; 11947

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| (iv) An amino acid;  | 11948 |
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| (v) A dietary substance for use by humans to supplement          | 11949 |
| the diet by increasing the total dietary intake;                 | 11950 |
| (vi) A concentrate, metabolite, constituent, extract, or         | 11951 |
| combination of any ingredient described in divisions (EEE)(2)(b) | 11952 |
| (i) to (v) of this section.                                      | 11953 |
| (c) "Soft drinks" means nonalcoholic beverages that              | 11954 |
| contain natural or artificial sweeteners. "Soft drinks" does not | 11955 |
| include beverages that contain milk or milk products, soy, rice, | 11956 |
| or similar milk substitutes, or that contains greater than fifty | 11957 |
| per cent vegetable or fruit juice by volume.                     | 11958 |
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| (d) "Tobacco" means cigarettes, cigars, chewing or pipe          | 11959 |
| tobacco, or any other item that contains tobacco.                | 11960 |
| (FFF) "Drug" means a compound, substance, or preparation,        | 11961 |
| and any component of a compound, substance, or preparation,      | 11962 |
| other than food, dietary supplements, or alcoholic beverages     | 11963 |
| that is recognized in the official United States pharmacopoeia,  | 11964 |
| official homeopathic pharmacopoeia of the United States, or      | 11965 |
| official national formulary, and supplements to them; is         | 11966 |
| intended for use in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment,  | 11967 |
| or prevention of disease; or is intended to affect the structure | 11968 |
| or any function of the body.                                     | 11969 |
| (CCC) "Progenintion" means on order formula or reside            | 11970 |
| (GGG) "Prescription" means an order, formula, or recipe          |       |
| issued in any form of oral, written, electronic, or other means  | 11971 |

(HHH) "Durable medical equipment" means equipment, 11974 including repair and replacement parts for such equipment, that 11975 can withstand repeated use, is primarily and customarily used to 11976

of transmission by a duly licensed practitioner authorized by

the laws of this state to issue a prescription.

serve a medical purpose, generally is not useful to a person in 11977 the absence of illness or injury, and is not worn in or on the 11978 body. "Durable medical equipment" does not include mobility 11979 enhancing equipment. 11980

(III) "Mobility enhancing equipment" means equipment, 11981 including repair and replacement parts for such equipment, that 11982 is primarily and customarily used to provide or increase the 11983 ability to move from one place to another and is appropriate for 11984 use either in a home or a motor vehicle, that is not generally 11985 used by persons with normal mobility, and that does not include 11986 11987 any motor vehicle or equipment on a motor vehicle normally provided by a motor vehicle manufacturer. "Mobility enhancing 11988 equipment" does not include durable medical equipment. 11989

(JJJ) "Prosthetic device" means a replacement, corrective, 11990 or supportive device, including repair and replacement parts for 11991 the device, worn on or in the human body to artificially replace 11992 a missing portion of the body, prevent or correct physical 11993 deformity or malfunction, or support a weak or deformed portion 11994 of the body. As used in this division, before July 1, 2019, 11995 "prosthetic device" does not include corrective eyeqlasses, 11996 contact lenses, or dental prosthesis. On or after July 1, 2019, 11997 "prosthetic device" does not include dental prosthesis but does 11998 include corrective eyeglasses or contact lenses. 11999

(KKK) (1) "Fractional aircraft ownership program" means a 12000
program in which persons within an affiliated group sell and 12001
manage fractional ownership program aircraft, provided that at 12002
least one hundred airworthy aircraft are operated in the program 12003
and the program meets all of the following criteria: 12004

(a) Management services are provided by at least oneprogram manager within an affiliated group on behalf of the12006

fractional owners. 12007 (b) Each program aircraft is owned or possessed by at 12008 least one fractional owner. 12009 (c) Each fractional owner owns or possesses at least a 12010 one-sixteenth interest in at least one fixed-wing program 12011 aircraft. 12012 (d) A dry-lease aircraft interchange arrangement is in 12013 effect among all of the fractional owners. 12014 (e) Multi-year program agreements are in effect regarding 12015 the fractional ownership, management services, and dry-lease 12016 aircraft interchange arrangement aspects of the program. 12017 (2) As used in division (KKK) (1) of this section: 12018 (a) "Affiliated group" has the same meaning as in division 12019 (B)(3)(e) of this section. 12020 (b) "Fractional owner" means a person that owns or 12021 possesses at least a one-sixteenth interest in a program 12022 aircraft and has entered into the agreements described in 12023 division (KKK) (1) (e) of this section. 12024 (c) "Fractional ownership program aircraft" or "program 12025 aircraft" means a turbojet aircraft that is owned or possessed 12026 by a fractional owner and that has been included in a dry-lease 12027 aircraft interchange arrangement and agreement under divisions 12028 (KKK) (1) (d) and (e) of this section, or an aircraft a program 12029 manager owns or possesses primarily for use in a fractional 12030 12031 aircraft ownership program. (d) "Management services" means administrative and 12032

aviation support services furnished under a fractional aircraft 12033 ownership program in accordance with a management services 12034

agreement under division (KKK) (1) (e) of this section, and 12035 offered by the program manager to the fractional owners, 12036 including, at a minimum, the establishment and implementation of 12037 safety guidelines; the coordination of the scheduling of the 12038 12039 program aircraft and crews; program aircraft maintenance; program aircraft insurance; crew training for crews employed, 12040 furnished, or contracted by the program manager or the 12041 fractional owner; the satisfaction of record-keeping 12042 requirements; and the development and use of an operations 12043 manual and a maintenance manual for the fractional aircraft 12044 ownership program. 12045

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

(LLL) "Electronic publishing" means providing access to 12050 one or more of the following primarily for business customers, 12051 including the federal government or a state government or a 12052 political subdivision thereof, to conduct research: news; 12053 business, financial, legal, consumer, or credit materials; 12054 editorials, columns, reader commentary, or features; photos or 12055 images; archival or research material; legal notices, identity 12056 verification, or public records; scientific, educational, 12057 instructional, technical, professional, trade, or other literary 12058 materials; or other similar information which has been gathered 12059 and made available by the provider to the consumer in an 12060 electronic format. Providing electronic publishing includes the 12061 functions necessary for the acquisition, formatting, editing, 12062 storage, and dissemination of data or information that is the 12063 subject of a sale. 12064

(MMM) "Medicaid health insuring corporation" means a 12065 health insuring corporation that holds a certificate of 12066 authority under Chapter 1751. of the Revised Code and is under 12067 contract with the department of medicaid pursuant to section 12068 5167.10 of the Revised Code. 12069

(NNN) "Managed care premium" means any premium, 12070
capitation, or other payment a medicaid health insuring 12071
corporation receives for providing or arranging for the 12072
provision of health care services to its members or enrollees 12073
residing in this state. 12074

(OOO) "Captive deer" means deer and other cervidae that
have been legally acquired, or their offspring, that are
privately owned for agricultural or farming purposes.
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(PPP) "Gift card" means a document, card, certificate, or 12078
other record, whether tangible or intangible, that may be 12079
redeemed by a consumer for a dollar value when making a purchase 12080
of tangible personal property or services. 12081

(QQQ) "Specified digital product" means an electronically 12082 transferred digital audiovisual work, digital audio work, or 12083 digital book. 12084

As used in division (QQQ) of this section:

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

(3) "Digital book" means a work that is generally12094recognized in the ordinary and usual sense as a book.12095

(4) "Electronically transferred" means obtained by the 12096purchaser by means other than tangible storage media. 12097

(RRR) "Digital advertising services" means providing 12098 access, by means of telecommunications equipment, to computer 12099 equipment that is used to enter, upload, download, review, 12100 manipulate, store, add, or delete data for the purpose of 12101 electronically displaying, delivering, placing, or transferring 12102 promotional advertisements to potential customers about products 12103 or services or about industry or business brands. 12104

| <del>(SSS)</del> | -"Peer-to-peer car | sharing program" has the same | - 12105 |
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| meaning as       | in section 4516.01 | of the Revised Code.          | 12106   |

Sec. 5739.011. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Manufacturer" means a person who is engaged in
manufacturing, processing, assembling, or refining a product for
sale and, solely for the purposes of division (B) (12) of this
section, a person who meets all the qualifications of that
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division.

(2) "Manufacturing facility" means a single location where
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 a manufacturing operation is conducted, including locations
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 consisting of one or more buildings or structures in a
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 contiguous area owned or controlled by the manufacturer.

(3) "Materials handling" means the movement of the product 12117
being or to be manufactured, during which movement the product 12118
is not undergoing any substantial change or alteration in its 12119
state or form. 12120

(4) "Testing" means a process or procedure to identify the 12121

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| (5) "Completed product" means a manufactured item that is     | 12123 |
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| in the form and condition as it will be sold by the           | 12124 |
| manufacturer. An item is completed when all processes that    | 12125 |
| change or alter its state or form or enhance its value are    | 12126 |
| finished, even though the item subsequently will be tested to | 12127 |
| ensure its quality or be packaged for storage or shipment.    | 12128 |
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properties or assure the quality of a material or product.

(6) "Continuous manufacturing operation" means the process 12129 in which raw materials or components are moved through the steps 12130 whereby manufacturing occurs. Materials handling of raw 12131 materials or parts from the point of receipt or preproduction 12132 storage or of a completed product, to or from storage, to or 12133 from packaging, or to the place from which the completed product 12134 will be shipped, is not a part of a continuous manufacturing 12135 operation. 12136

(7) "Food" has the same meaning as in section 3717.01 of12137 the Revised Code.

(B) For purposes of division (B) (42) (g) of section 5739.02
of the Revised Code, the "thing transferred" includes, but is
not limited to, any of the following:
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(1) Production machinery and equipment that act upon the
product or machinery and equipment that treat the materials or
parts in preparation for the manufacturing operation;
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(2) Materials handling equipment that moves the product
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through a continuous manufacturing operation; equipment that
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temporarily stores the product during the manufacturing
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operation; or, excluding motor vehicles licensed to operate on
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public highways, equipment used in intraplant or interplant
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transfers of work in process where the plant or plants between
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which such transfers occur are manufacturing facilities operated 12151 by the same person; 12152 (3) Catalysts, solvents, water, acids, oil, and similar 12153 consumables that interact with the product and that are an 12154 integral part of the manufacturing operation; 12155 (4) Machinery, equipment, and other tangible personal 12156 property used during the manufacturing operation that control, 12157 physically support, produce power for, lubricate, or are 12158 otherwise necessary for the functioning of production machinery 12159 and equipment and the continuation of the manufacturing 12160 operation; 12161 (5) Machinery, equipment, fuel, power, material, parts, 12162 and other tangible personal property used to manufacture 12163 machinery, equipment, or other tangible personal property used 12164 in manufacturing a product for sale; 12165 (6) Machinery, equipment, and other tangible personal 12166 property used by a manufacturer to test raw materials, the 12167 product being manufactured, or the completed product; 12168 (7) Machinery and equipment used to handle or temporarily 12169 store scrap that is intended to be reused in the manufacturing 12170 operation at the same manufacturing facility; 12171 (8) Coke, gas, water, steam, and similar substances used 12172 in the manufacturing operation; machinery and equipment used 12173

for, and fuel consumed in, producing or extracting those 12174 substances; machinery, equipment, and other tangible personal 12175 property used to treat, filter, pump, or otherwise make the 12176 substance suitable for use in the manufacturing operation; and 12177 machinery and equipment used for, and fuel consumed in, 12178 producing electricity for use in the manufacturing operation; 12179

(9) Machinery, equipment, and other tangible personal
property used to transport or transmit electricity, coke, gas,
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water, steam, or similar substances used in the manufacturing
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operation from the point of generation, if produced by the
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manufacturer, or from the point where the substance enters the
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manufacturing facility, if purchased by the manufacturer, to the
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manufacturing operation;

(10) Machinery, equipment, and other tangible personal 12187 property that treats, filters, cools, refines, or otherwise 12188 renders water, steam, acid, oil, solvents, or similar substances 12189 used in the manufacturing operation reusable, provided that the 12190 substances are intended for reuse and not for disposal, sale, or 12191 transportation from the manufacturing facility; 12192

(11) Parts, components, and repair and installationservices for items described in division (B) of this section;12194

(12) Machinery and equipment, detergents, supplies, 12195 solvents, and any other tangible personal property located at a 12196 manufacturing facility that are used in the process of removing 12197 soil, dirt, or other contaminants from, or otherwise preparing 12198 in a suitable condition for use, towels, linens, articles of 12199 clothing, floor mats, mop heads, or other similar items, to be 12200 supplied to a consumer as part of laundry and dry cleaning 12201 services as defined in division (BB) of section 5739.01 of the 12202 Revised Code, only when the towels, linens, articles of 12203 clothing, floor mats, mop heads, or other similar items belong 12204 to the provider of the services; 12205

(13) Equipment and supplies used to clean processing
 equipment that is part of a continuous manufacturing operation
 to produce food for human consumption.

of the Revised Code, the "thing transferred" does not include 12210 any of the following: 12211 (1) Tangible personal property used in administrative, 12212 personnel, security, inventory control, record-keeping, 12213 ordering, billing, or similar functions; 12214 (2) Tangible personal property used in storing raw 12215 12216 materials or parts prior to the commencement of the manufacturing operation or used to handle or store a completed 12217 product, including storage that actively maintains a completed 12218 product in a marketable state or form; 12219 (3) Tangible personal property used to handle or store 12220 scrap or waste intended for disposal, sale, or other 12221 disposition, other than reuse in the manufacturing operation at 12222 the same manufacturing facility; 12223 (4) Tangible personal property that is or is to be 12224 incorporated into realty; 12225 (5) Machinery, equipment, and other tangible personal 12226 property used for ventilation, dust or gas collection, humidity 12227 or temperature regulation, or similar environmental control, 12228 except machinery, equipment, and other tangible personal 12229 property that totally regulates the environment in a special and 12230 limited area of the manufacturing facility where the regulation 12231 is essential for production to occur; 12232

(C) For purposes of division (B) (42) (q) of section 5739.02

(6) Tangible personal property used for the protection and
safety of workers, unless the property is attached to or
incorporated into machinery and equipment used in a continuous
manufacturing operation;

(7) Tangible personal property used to store fuel, water, 12237

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solvents, acid, oil, or similar items consumed in the

12239 manufacturing operation; (8) Except as provided in division (B) (13) of this 12240 section, machinery, equipment, and other tangible personal 12241 property used to clean, repair, or maintain real or personal 12242 property in the manufacturing facility; 12243 (9) Motor vehicles registered for operation on public 12244 12245 highways. (D) For purposes of division (B) (42) (q) of section 5739.02 12246 of the Revised Code, if the "thing transferred" is a machine 12247 12248 used by a manufacturer in both a taxable and an exempt manner, it shall be totally taxable or totally exempt from taxation 12249 based upon its quantified primary use. If the "things 12250 transferred" are fungibles, they shall be taxed based upon the 12251 proportion of the fungibles used in a taxable manner. 12252 Sec. 5739.02. For the purpose of providing revenue with 12253 which to meet the needs of the state, for the use of the general 12254 revenue fund of the state, for the purpose of securing a 12255 thorough and efficient system of common schools throughout the 12256 state, for the purpose of affording revenues, in addition to 12257 12258 those from general property taxes, permitted under constitutional limitations, and from other sources, for the 12259 support of local governmental functions, and for the purpose of 12260 reimbursing the state for the expense of administering this 12261

reimbursing the state for the expense of administering this 12261 chapter, an excise tax is hereby levied on each retail sale made 12262 in this state. 12263 (A) (1) The tax shall be collected as provided in section 12264

5739.025 of the Revised Code. The rate of the tax shall be five12265and three-fourths per cent. The tax applies and is collectible12266

when the sale is made, regardless of the time when the price is 12267 paid or delivered. 12268 (2) In the case of the lease or rental, with a fixed term 12269 of more than thirty days or an indefinite term with a minimum 12270 period of more than thirty days, of any motor vehicles designed 12271 by the manufacturer to carry a load of not more than one ton, 12272 watercraft, outboard motor, or aircraft, or of any tangible 12273 personal property, other than motor vehicles designed by the 12274 manufacturer to carry a load of more than one ton, to be used by 12275 the lessee or renter primarily for business purposes, the tax 12276 shall be collected by the vendor at the time the lease or rental 12277 is consummated and shall be calculated by the vendor on the 12278 12279 basis of the total amount to be paid by the lessee or renter under the lease agreement. If the total amount of the 12280 consideration for the lease or rental includes amounts that are 12281 12282 not calculated at the time the lease or rental is executed, the tax shall be calculated and collected by the vendor at the time 12283 such amounts are billed to the lessee or renter. In the case of 12284 an open-end lease or rental, the tax shall be calculated by the 12285 vendor on the basis of the total amount to be paid during the 12286 initial fixed term of the lease or rental, and for each 12287 subsequent renewal period as it comes due. As used in this 12288 division, "motor vehicle" has the same meaning as in section 12289 4501.01 of the Revised Code, and "watercraft" includes an 12290 outdrive unit attached to the watercraft. 12291

A lease with a renewal clause and a termination penalty or12292similar provision that applies if the renewal clause is not12293exercised is presumed to be a sham transaction. In such a case,12294the tax shall be calculated and paid on the basis of the entire12295length of the lease period, including any renewal periods, until12296the termination penalty or similar provision no longer applies.12297

The taxpayer shall bear the burden, by a preponderance of the 12298 evidence, that the transaction or series of transactions is not 12299 a sham transaction. 12300

(3) Except as provided in division (A) (2) of this section,
in the case of a sale, the price of which consists in whole or
in part of the lease or rental of tangible personal property,
the tax shall be measured by the installments of that lease or
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rental.

(4) In the case of a sale of a physical fitness facility
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service or recreation and sports club service, the price of
which consists in whole or in part of a membership for the
receipt of the benefit of the service, the tax applicable to the
sale shall be measured by the installments thereof.

(B) The tax does not apply to the following: 12311

(1) Sales to the state or any of its political
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subdivisions, or to any other state or its political
subdivisions if the laws of that state exempt from taxation
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sales made to this state and its political subdivisions;
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(2) Sales of food for human consumption off the premises12316where sold;12317

(3) Sales of food sold to students only in a cafeteria,
dormitory, fraternity, or sorority maintained in a private,
public, or parochial school, college, or university;
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(4) Sales of newspapers and sales or transfers ofmagazines distributed as controlled circulation publications;12322

(5) The furnishing, preparing, or serving of meals without
charge by an employer to an employee provided the employer
records the meals as part compensation for services performed or
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work done;

(6) (a) Sales of motor fuel upon receipt, use, 12327 distribution, or sale of which in this state a tax is imposed by 12328 the law of this state, but this exemption shall not apply to the 12329 sale of motor fuel on which a refund of the tax is allowable 12330 under division (A) of section 5735.14 of the Revised Code; and 12331 the tax commissioner may deduct the amount of tax levied by this 12332 section applicable to the price of motor fuel when granting a 12333 refund of motor fuel tax pursuant to division (A) of section 12334 5735.14 of the Revised Code and shall cause the amount deducted 12335 to be paid into the general revenue fund of this state; 12336

(b) Sales of motor fuel other than that described in
division (B) (6) (a) of this section and used for powering a
refrigeration unit on a vehicle other than one used primarily to
provide comfort to the operator or occupants of the vehicle.
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(7) Sales of natural gas by a natural gas company or 12341 municipal gas utility, of water by a water-works company, or of 12342 steam by a heating company, if in each case the thing sold is 12343 delivered to consumers through pipes or conduits, and all sales 12344 of communications services by a telegraph company, all terms as 12345 defined in section 5727.01 of the Revised Code, and sales of 12346 electricity delivered through wires; 12347

(8) Casual sales by a person, or auctioneer employed
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directly by the person to conduct such sales, except as to such
sales of motor vehicles, watercraft or outboard motors required
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to be titled under section 1548.06 of the Revised Code,
watercraft documented with the United States coast guard,
snowmobiles, and all-purpose vehicles as defined in section
4519.01 of the Revised Code;

(9) (a) Sales of services or tangible personal property, 12355 other than motor vehicles, mobile homes, and manufactured homes, 12356 by churches, organizations exempt from taxation under section 12357 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or nonprofit 12358 organizations operated exclusively for charitable purposes as 12359 defined in division (B) (12) of this section, provided that the 12360 number of days on which such tangible personal property or 12361 services, other than items never subject to the tax, are sold 12362 does not exceed six in any calendar year, except as otherwise 12363 provided in division (B)(9)(b) of this section. If the number of 12364 days on which such sales are made exceeds six in any calendar 12365 year, the church or organization shall be considered to be 12366 engaged in business and all subsequent sales by it shall be 12367 subject to the tax. In counting the number of days, all sales by 12368 groups within a church or within an organization shall be 12369 considered to be sales of that church or organization. 12370

(b) The limitation on the number of days on which tax-12371 exempt sales may be made by a church or organization under 12372 division (B)(9)(a) of this section does not apply to sales made 12373 by student clubs and other groups of students of a primary or 12374 secondary school, or a parent-teacher association, booster 12375 group, or similar organization that raises money to support or 12376 fund curricular or extracurricular activities of a primary or 12377 secondary school. 12378

(c) Divisions (B)(9)(a) and (b) of this section do not12379apply to sales by a noncommercial educational radio or12380television broadcasting station.12381

(10) Sales not within the taxing power of this state under
the Constitution or laws of the United States or the
Constitution of this state;

(11) Except for transactions that are sales under division 12385 (B)(3)(r) of section 5739.01 of the Revised Code, the 12386 transportation of persons or property, unless the transportation 12387 is by a private investigation and security service; 12388 (12) Sales of tangible personal property or services to 12389 churches, to organizations exempt from taxation under section 12390 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and to any other 12391 nonprofit organizations operated exclusively for charitable 12392 purposes in this state, no part of the net income of which 12393 inures to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual, 12394 and no substantial part of the activities of which consists of 12395 carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence 12396 legislation; sales to offices administering one or more homes 12397 for the aged or one or more hospital facilities exempt under 12398 section 140.08 of the Revised Code; and sales to organizations 12399 described in division (D) of section 5709.12 of the Revised 12400 Code. 12401 "Charitable purposes" means the relief of poverty; the 12402 12403

improvement of health through the alleviation of illness, disease, or injury; the operation of an organization exclusively 12404 for the provision of professional, laundry, printing, and 12405 12406 purchasing services to hospitals or charitable institutions; the operation of a home for the aged, as defined in section 5701.13 12407 of the Revised Code; the operation of a radio or television 12408 broadcasting station that is licensed by the federal 12409 communications commission as a noncommercial educational radio 12410 or television station; the operation of a nonprofit animal 12411 adoption service or a county humane society; the promotion of 12412 education by an institution of learning that maintains a faculty 12413 of qualified instructors, teaches regular continuous courses of 12414 study, and confers a recognized diploma upon completion of a 12415

specific curriculum; the operation of a parent-teacher 12416 association, booster group, or similar organization primarily 12417 engaged in the promotion and support of the curricular or 12418 extracurricular activities of a primary or secondary school; the 12419 operation of a community or area center in which presentations 12420 in music, dramatics, the arts, and related fields are made in 12421 order to foster public interest and education therein; the 12422 production of performances in music, dramatics, and the arts; or 12423 the promotion of education by an organization engaged in 12424 carrying on research in, or the dissemination of, scientific and 12425 technological knowledge and information primarily for the 12426 public. 12427

Nothing in this division shall be deemed to exempt sales12428to any organization for use in the operation or carrying on of a12429trade or business, or sales to a home for the aged for use in12430the operation of independent living facilities as defined in12431division (A) of section 5709.12 of the Revised Code.12432

(13) Building and construction materials and services sold 12433 to construction contractors for incorporation into a structure 12434 12435 or improvement to real property under a construction contract with this state or a political subdivision of this state, or 12436 12437 with the United States government or any of its agencies; building and construction materials and services sold to 12438 construction contractors for incorporation into a structure or 12439 improvement to real property that are accepted for ownership by 12440 this state or any of its political subdivisions, or by the 12441 United States government or any of its agencies at the time of 12442 completion of the structures or improvements; building and 12443 construction materials sold to construction contractors for 12444 incorporation into a horticulture structure or livestock 12445 structure for a person engaged in the business of horticulture 12446

or producing livestock; building materials and services sold to 12447 a construction contractor for incorporation into a house of 12448 public worship or religious education, or a building used 12449 exclusively for charitable purposes under a construction 12450 contract with an organization whose purpose is as described in 12451 division (B)(12) of this section; building materials and 12452 services sold to a construction contractor for incorporation 12453 into a building under a construction contract with an 12454 organization exempt from taxation under section 501(c)(3) of the 12455 Internal Revenue Code of 1986 when the building is to be used 12456 exclusively for the organization's exempt purposes; building and 12457 construction materials sold for incorporation into the original 12458 construction of a sports facility under section 307.696 of the 12459 Revised Code; building and construction materials and services 12460 sold to a construction contractor for incorporation into real 12461 property outside this state if such materials and services, when 12462 sold to a construction contractor in the state in which the real 12463 property is located for incorporation into real property in that 12464 state, would be exempt from a tax on sales levied by that state; 12465 12466 building and construction materials for incorporation into a transportation facility pursuant to a public-private agreement 12467 entered into under sections 5501.70 to 5501.83 of the Revised 12468 Code; and, until one calendar year after the construction of a 12469 convention center that qualifies for property tax exemption 12470 under section 5709.084 of the Revised Code is completed, 12471 building and construction materials and services sold to a 12472 construction contractor for incorporation into the real property 12473 comprising that convention center; 12474

(14) Sales of ships or vessels or rail rolling stock used
or to be used principally in interstate or foreign commerce, and
repairs, alterations, fuel, and lubricants for such ships or
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### vessels or rail rolling stock;

(15) Sales to persons primarily engaged in any of the 12479 activities mentioned in division (B) (42) (a), (g), or (h) of this 12480 section, to persons engaged in making retail sales, or to 12481 persons who purchase for sale from a manufacturer tangible 12482 personal property that was produced by the manufacturer in 12483 accordance with specific designs provided by the purchaser, of 12484 packages, including material, labels, and parts for packages, 12485 and of machinery, equipment, and material for use primarily in 12486 packaging tangible personal property produced for sale, 12487 including any machinery, equipment, and supplies used to make 12488 labels or packages, to prepare packages or products for 12489 labeling, or to label packages or products, by or on the order 12490 of the person doing the packaging, or sold at retail. "Packages" 12491 includes bags, baskets, cartons, crates, boxes, cans, bottles, 12492 bindings, wrappings, and other similar devices and containers, 12493 but does not include motor vehicles or bulk tanks, trailers, or 12494 similar devices attached to motor vehicles. "Packaging" means 12495 placing in a package. Division (B) (15) of this section does not 12496 apply to persons engaged in highway transportation for hire. 12497

(16) Sales of food to persons using supplemental nutrition 12498 assistance program benefits to purchase the food. As used in 12499 this division, "food" has the same meaning as in 7 U.S.C. 2012 12500 and federal regulations adopted pursuant to the Food and 12501 Nutrition Act of 2008. 12502

(17) Sales to persons engaged in farming, agriculture,
horticulture, or floriculture, of tangible personal property for
use or consumption primarily in the production by farming,
agriculture, horticulture, or floriculture of other tangible
personal property for use or consumption primarily in the
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production of tangible personal property for sale by farming, 12508 agriculture, horticulture, or floriculture; or material and 12509 parts for incorporation into any such tangible personal property 12510 for use or consumption in production; and of tangible personal 12511 property for such use or consumption in the conditioning or 12512 holding of products produced by and for such use, consumption, 12513 or sale by persons engaged in farming, agriculture, 12514 horticulture, or floriculture, except where such property is 12515 incorporated into real property; 12516

(18) Sales of drugs for a human being that may be 12517 dispensed only pursuant to a prescription; insulin as recognized 12518 in the official United States pharmacopoeia; urine and blood 12519 testing materials when used by diabetics or persons with 12520 hypoglycemia to test for glucose or acetone; hypodermic syringes 12521 and needles when used by diabetics for insulin injections; 12522 epoetin alfa when purchased for use in the treatment of persons 12523 with medical disease; hospital beds when purchased by hospitals, 12524 nursing homes, or other medical facilities; and medical oxygen 12525 and medical oxygen-dispensing equipment when purchased by 12526 hospitals, nursing homes, or other medical facilities; 12527

(19) Sales of prosthetic devices, durable medical
equipment for home use, or mobility enhancing equipment, when
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made pursuant to a prescription and when such devices or
equipment are for use by a human being.
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(20) Sales of emergency and fire protection vehicles and 12532 equipment to nonprofit organizations for use solely in providing 12533 fire protection and emergency services, including trauma care 12534 and emergency medical services, for political subdivisions of 12535 the state; 12536

(21) Sales of tangible personal property manufactured in 12537

this state, if sold by the manufacturer in this state to a 12538 retailer for use in the retail business of the retailer outside 12539 of this state and if possession is taken from the manufacturer 12540 by the purchaser within this state for the sole purpose of 12541 immediately removing the same from this state in a vehicle owned 12542 by the purchaser; 12543

(22) Sales of services provided by the state or any of its
political subdivisions, agencies, instrumentalities,
institutions, or authorities, or by governmental entities of the
state or any of its political subdivisions, agencies,
instrumentalities, institutions, or authorities;

(23) Sales of motor vehicles to nonresidents of this state
under the circumstances described in division (B) of section
5739.029 of the Revised Code;
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(24) Sales to persons engaged in the preparation of eggs 12552 for sale of tangible personal property used or consumed directly 12553 in such preparation, including such tangible personal property 12554 used for cleaning, sanitizing, preserving, grading, sorting, and 12555 classifying by size; packages, including material and parts for 12556 packages, and machinery, equipment, and material for use in 12557 packaging eggs for sale; and handling and transportation 12558 equipment and parts therefor, except motor vehicles licensed to 12559 operate on public highways, used in intraplant or interplant 12560 transfers or shipment of eggs in the process of preparation for 12561 sale, when the plant or plants within or between which such 12562 transfers or shipments occur are operated by the same person. 12563 "Packages" includes containers, cases, baskets, flats, fillers, 12564 filler flats, cartons, closure materials, labels, and labeling 12565 materials, and "packaging" means placing therein. 12566

(25) (a) Sales of water to a consumer for residential use; 12567

selection by the consumer;

exclusively in the treatment, distribution, and sale of water to 12569 consumers, if such water is delivered to consumers through pipes 12570 12571 or tubing. (26) Fees charged for inspection or reinspection of motor 12572 vehicles under section 3704.14 of the Revised Code; 12573 (27) Sales to persons licensed to conduct a food service 12574 operation pursuant to section 3717.43 of the Revised Code, of 12575 tangible personal property primarily used directly for the 12576 12577 following: 12578 (a) To prepare food for human consumption for sale; (b) To preserve food that has been or will be prepared for 12579 human consumption for sale by the food service operator, not 12580 including tangible personal property used to display food for 12581

(b) Sales of water by a nonprofit corporation engaged

(c) To clean tangible personal property used to prepare or 12583serve food for human consumption for sale. 12584

(28) Sales of animals by nonprofit animal adoption12585services or county humane societies;12586

(29) Sales of services to a corporation described in
division (A) of section 5709.72 of the Revised Code, and sales
of tangible personal property that qualifies for exemption from
taxation under section 5709.72 of the Revised Code;
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(30) Sales and installation of agricultural land tile, as 12591
defined in division (B)(5)(a) of section 5739.01 of the Revised 12592
Code; 12593

(31) Sales and erection or installation of portable grainbins, as defined in division (B)(5)(b) of section 5739.01 of the12595

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| (32) The sale, lease, repair, and maintenance of, parts         | 12597 |
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| for, or items attached to or incorporated in, motor vehicles    | 12598 |
| that are primarily used for transporting tangible personal      | 12599 |
| property belonging to others by a person engaged in highway     | 12600 |
| transportation for hire, except for packages and packaging used | 12601 |
| for the transportation of tangible personal property;           | 12602 |

(33) Sales to the state headquarters of any veterans' 12603 organization in this state that is either incorporated and 12604 issued a charter by the congress of the United States or is 12605 recognized by the United States veterans administration, for use 12606 by the headquarters; 12607

(34) Sales to a telecommunications service vendor, mobile 12608 telecommunications service vendor, or satellite broadcasting 12609 service vendor of tangible personal property and services used 12610 directly and primarily in transmitting, receiving, switching, or 12611 12612 recording any interactive, one- or two-way electromagnetic communications, including voice, image, data, and information, 12613 through the use of any medium, including, but not limited to, 12614 poles, wires, cables, switching equipment, computers, and record 12615 storage devices and media, and component parts for the tangible 12616 personal property. The exemption provided in this division shall 12617 be in lieu of all other exemptions under division (B)(42)(a) or 12618 (n) of this section to which the vendor may otherwise be 12619 entitled, based upon the use of the thing purchased in providing 12620 the telecommunications, mobile telecommunications, or satellite 12621 broadcasting service. 12622

(35) (a) Sales where the purpose of the consumer is to use
or consume the things transferred in making retail sales and
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consisting of newspaper inserts, catalogues, coupons, flyers,
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| gift certificates, or other advertising material that prices and | 12626 |
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| describes tangible personal property offered for retail sale.    | 12627 |
| (b) Sales to direct marketing vendors of preliminary             | 12628 |
| materials such as photographs, artwork, and typesetting that     | 12629 |
| will be used in printing advertising material; and of printed    | 12630 |
| matter that offers free merchandise or chances to win sweepstake | 12631 |
| prizes and that is mailed to potential customers with            | 12632 |
| advertising material described in division (B)(35)(a) of this    | 12633 |
| section;   | 12634 |
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| (c) Sales of equipment such as telephones, computers,            | 12635 |
| facsimile machines, and similar tangible personal property       | 12636 |
| primarily used to accept orders for direct marketing retail      | 12637 |
| sales.   | 12638 |
| (d) Sales of automatic food vending machines that preserve       | 12639 |
| food with a shelf life of forty-five days or less by             | 12640 |
| refrigeration and dispense it to the consumer.                   | 12641 |
| For purposes of division (B)(35) of this section, "direct        | 12642 |
| marketing" means the method of selling where consumers order     | 12643 |
| tangible personal property by United States mail, delivery       | 12644 |
| service, or telecommunication and the vendor delivers or ships   | 12645 |
| the tangible personal property sold to the consumer from a       | 12646 |
| warehouse, catalogue distribution center, or similar fulfillment | 12647 |
| facility by means of the United States mail, delivery service,   | 12648 |
| or common carrier.   | 12649 |
| (36) Sales to a person engaged in the business of                | 12650 |
| horticulture or producing livestock of materials to be           | 12651 |
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horticulture or producing livestock of materials to be12651incorporated into a horticulture structure or livestock12652structure;12653

(37) Sales of personal computers, computer monitors, 12654

computer keyboards, modems, and other peripheral computer12655equipment to an individual who is licensed or certified to teach12656in an elementary or a secondary school in this state for use by12657that individual in preparation for teaching elementary or12658secondary school students;12659

(38) Sales of tangible personal property that is not 12660 required to be registered or licensed under the laws of this 12661 state to a citizen of a foreign nation that is not a citizen of 12662 the United States, provided the property is delivered to a 12663 12664 person in this state that is not a related member of the purchaser, is physically present in this state for the sole 12665 purpose of temporary storage and package consolidation, and is 12666 subsequently delivered to the purchaser at a delivery address in 12667 a foreign nation. As used in division (B) (38) of this section, 12668 "related member" has the same meaning as in section 5733.042 of 12669 the Revised Code, and "temporary storage" means the storage of 12670 tangible personal property for a period of not more than sixty 12671 12672 days.

(39) Sales of used manufactured homes and used mobile 12673
homes, as defined in section 5739.0210 of the Revised Code, made 12674
on or after January 1, 2000; 12675

(40) Sales of tangible personal property and services to a 12676 provider of electricity used or consumed directly and primarily 12677 in generating, transmitting, or distributing electricity for use 12678 by others, including property that is or is to be incorporated 12679 into and will become a part of the consumer's production, 12680 transmission, or distribution system and that retains its 12681 classification as tangible personal property after 12682 incorporation; fuel or power used in the production, 12683 transmission, or distribution of electricity; energy conversion 12684

equipment as defined in section 5727.01 of the Revised Code; and 12685 tangible personal property and services used in the repair and 12686 maintenance of the production, transmission, or distribution 12687 system, including only those motor vehicles as are specially 12688 designed and equipped for such use. The exemption provided in 12689 this division shall be in lieu of all other exemptions in 12690 division (B)(42)(a) or (n) of this section to which a provider 12691 of electricity may otherwise be entitled based on the use of the 12692 tangible personal property or service purchased in generating, 12693 transmitting, or distributing electricity. 12694

(41) Sales to a person providing services under division
(B) (3) (r) of section 5739.01 of the Revised Code of tangible
personal property and services used directly and primarily in
providing taxable services under that section.

(42) Sales where the purpose of the purchaser is to do any12699of the following:12700

(a) To incorporate the thing transferred as a material or 12701 a part into tangible personal property to be produced for sale 12702 by manufacturing, assembling, processing, or refining; or to use 12703 or consume the thing transferred directly in producing tangible 12704 personal property for sale by mining, including, without 12705 limitation, the extraction from the earth of all substances that 12706 are classed geologically as minerals, or directly in the 12707 rendition of a public utility service, except that the sales tax 12708 levied by this section shall be collected upon all meals, 12709 drinks, and food for human consumption sold when transporting 12710 persons. This paragraph does not exempt from "retail sale" or 12711 "sales at retail" the sale of tangible personal property that is 12712 12713 to be incorporated into a structure or improvement to real 12714 property.

performance of an obligation of the vendor; 12716 (c) To resell, hold, use, or consume the thing transferred 12717 as evidence of a contract of insurance; 12718 (d) To use or consume the thing directly in commercial 12719 fishing; 12720 (e) To incorporate the thing transferred as a material or 12721 a part into, or to use or consume the thing transferred directly 12722 in the production of, magazines distributed as controlled 12723 circulation publications; 12724 (f) To use or consume the thing transferred in the 12725 production and preparation in suitable condition for market and 12726 sale of printed, imprinted, overprinted, lithographic, 12727 multilithic, blueprinted, photostatic, or other productions or 12728 reproductions of written or graphic matter; 12729 (q) To use the thing transferred, as described in section 12730 5739.011 of the Revised Code, primarily in a manufacturing 12731 operation to produce tangible personal property for sale; 12732 (h) To use the benefit of a warranty, maintenance or 12733

(b) To hold the thing transferred as security for the

service contract, or similar agreement, as described in division 12734 (B)(7) of section 5739.01 of the Revised Code, to repair or 12735 maintain tangible personal property, if all of the property that 12736 is the subject of the warranty, contract, or agreement would not 12737 be subject to the tax imposed by this section; 12738

(i) To use the thing transferred as qualified research and 12739development equipment; 12740

(j) To use or consume the thing transferred primarily instoring, transporting, mailing, or otherwise handling purchased12742

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sales inventory in a warehouse, distribution center, or similar 12743 facility when the inventory is primarily distributed outside 12744 this state to retail stores of the person who owns or controls 12745 the warehouse, distribution center, or similar facility, to 12746 retail stores of an affiliated group of which that person is a 12747 member, or by means of direct marketing. This division does not 12748 apply to motor vehicles registered for operation on the public 12749 highways. As used in this division, "affiliated group" has the 12750 same meaning as in division (B)(3)(e) of section 5739.01 of the 12751 Revised Code and "direct marketing" has the same meaning as in 12752 division (B)(35) of this section. 12753

(k) To use or consume the thing transferred to fulfill a 12754 contractual obligation incurred by a warrantor pursuant to a 12755 warranty provided as a part of the price of the tangible 12756 personal property sold or by a vendor of a warranty, maintenance 12757 or service contract, or similar agreement the provision of which 12758 is defined as a sale under division (B) (7) of section 5739.01 of 12759 the Revised Code; 12760

(1) To use or consume the thing transferred in the 12761production of a newspaper for distribution to the public; 12762

(m) To use tangible personal property to perform a service
listed in division (B) (3) of section 5739.01 of the Revised
Code, if the property is or is to be permanently transferred to
the consumer of the service as an integral part of the
performance of the service;

(n) To use or consume the thing transferred primarily in
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producing tangible personal property for sale by farming,
agriculture, horticulture, or floriculture. Persons engaged in
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rendering farming, agriculture, horticulture, or floriculture
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services for others are deemed engaged primarily in farming,
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agriculture, horticulture, or floriculture. This paragraph does12773not exempt from "retail sale" or "sales at retail" the sale of12774tangible personal property that is to be incorporated into a12775structure or improvement to real property.12776

(o) To use or consume the thing transferred in acquiring,
formatting, editing, storing, and disseminating data or
information by electronic publishing;
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(p) To provide the thing transferred to the owner or
lessee of a motor vehicle that is being repaired or serviced, if
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the thing transferred is a rented motor vehicle and the
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purchaser is reimbursed for the cost of the rented motor vehicle
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by a manufacturer, warrantor, or provider of a maintenance,
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service, or other similar contract or agreement, with respect to
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the motor vehicle that is being repaired or serviced;

(q) To use or consume the thing transferred directly in
production of crude oil and natural gas for sale. Persons
engaged in rendering production services for others are deemed
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engaged in production.

As used in division (B)(42)(q) of this section, 12791 "production" means operations and tangible personal property 12792 directly used to expose and evaluate an underground reservoir 12793 that may contain hydrocarbon resources, prepare the wellbore for 12794 production, and lift and control all substances yielded by the 12795 reservoir to the surface of the earth. 12796

(i) For the purposes of division (B) (42) (q) of this
section, the "thing transferred" includes, but is not limited
to, any of the following:

(I) Services provided in the construction of permanentaccess roads, services provided in the construction of the well12801

| site, and services provided in the construction of temporary     | 12802 |
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| <pre>impoundments;</pre>   | 12803 |
| (II) Equipment and rigging used for the specific purpose         | 12804 |
| of creating with integrity a wellbore pathway to underground     | 12805 |
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| reservoirs;  | 12806 |
| (III) Drilling and workover services used to work within a       | 12807 |
| subsurface wellbore, and tangible personal property directly     | 12808 |
| used in providing such services;                                 | 12809 |
| (IV) Casing, tubulars, and float and centralizing                | 12810 |
| equipment;   | 12811 |
| (V) Trailers to which production equipment is attached;          | 12812 |
| (VI) Well completion services, including cementing of            | 12813 |
| casing, and tangible personal property directly used in          | 12814 |
| providing such services;   | 12815 |
| (VII) Wireline evaluation, mud logging, and perforation          | 12816 |
| services, and tangible personal property directly used in        | 12817 |
| providing such services;   | 12818 |
| (VIII) Reservoir stimulation, hydraulic fracturing, and          | 12819 |
| acidizing services, and tangible personal property directly used | 12820 |
| in providing such services, including all material pumped        | 12821 |
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| downhole;  | 12822 |
| (IX) Pressure pumping equipment;                                 | 12823 |
| (X) Artificial lift systems equipment;                           | 12824 |
| (XI) Wellhead equipment and well site equipment used to          | 12825 |
| separate, stabilize, and control hydrocarbon phases and produced | 12826 |
| water;   | 12827 |
| (XII) Tangible personal property directly used to control        | 12828 |

| production equipment.  | 12829 |
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| (ii) For the purposes of division (B)(42)(q) of this             | 12830 |
| section, the "thing transferred" does not include any of the     | 12831 |
| following:   | 12832 |
| (I) Tangible personal property used primarily in the             | 12833 |
| exploration and production of any mineral resource regulated     | 12834 |
| under Chapter 1509. of the Revised Code other than oil or gas;   | 12835 |
| (II) Tangible personal property used primarily in storing,       | 12836 |
| holding, or delivering solutions or chemicals used in well       | 12837 |
| stimulation as defined in section 1509.01 of the Revised Code;   | 12838 |
| (III) Tangible personal property used primarily in               | 12839 |
| preparing, installing, or reclaiming foundations for drilling or | 12840 |
| pumping equipment or well stimulation material tanks;            | 12841 |
| (IV) Tangible personal property used primarily in                | 12842 |
| transporting, delivering, or removing equipment to or from the   | 12843 |
| well site or storing such equipment before its use at the well   | 12844 |
| site;  | 12845 |
| (V) Tangible personal property used primarily in gathering       | 12846 |
| operations occurring off the well site, including gathering      | 12847 |
| pipelines transporting hydrocarbon gas or liquids away from a    | 12848 |
| crude oil or natural gas production facility;                    | 12849 |
| (VI) Tangible personal property that is to be incorporated       | 12850 |
| into a structure or improvement to real property;                | 12851 |
| (VII) Well site fencing, lighting, or security systems;          | 12852 |
| (VIII) Communication devices or services;                        | 12853 |
| (IX) Office supplies;  | 12854 |
| (X) Trailers used as offices or lodging;                         | 12855 |

| (XI) Motor vehicles of any kind;                                 | 12856 |
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| (XII) Tangible personal property used primarily for the          | 12857 |
| storage of drilling byproducts and fuel not used for production; | 12858 |
| (XIII) Tangible personal property used primarily as a            | 12859 |
| safety device;   | 12860 |
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| (XIV) Data collection or monitoring devices;                     | 12861 |
| (XV) Access ladders, stairs, or platforms attached to            | 12862 |
| storage tanks.   | 12863 |
| The enumeration of tangible personal property in division        | 12864 |
| (B)(42)(q)(ii) of this section is not intended to be exhaustive, | 12865 |
| and any tangible personal property not so enumerated shall not   | 12866 |
| necessarily be construed to be a "thing transferred" for the     | 12867 |
| purposes of division (B)(42)(q) of this section.                 | 12868 |
| The commissioner shall adopt and promulgate rules under          | 12869 |
| sections 119.01 to 119.13 of the Revised Code that the           | 12870 |
| commissioner deems necessary to administer division (B)(42)(q)   | 12871 |
| of this section.   | 12872 |
| As used in division (B)(42) of this section, "thing"             | 12873 |
| includes all transactions included in divisions (B)(3)(a), (b),  | 12874 |
| and (e) of section 5739.01 of the Revised Code.                  | 12875 |
| (43) Sales conducted through a coin operated device that         | 12876 |
| activates vacuum equipment or equipment that dispenses water,    | 12877 |
| whether or not in combination with soap or other cleaning agents | 12878 |
| or wax, to the consumer for the consumer's use on the premises   | 12879 |
| in washing, cleaning, or waxing a motor vehicle, provided no     | 12880 |
| other personal property or personal service is provided as part  | 12881 |
| of the transaction.  | 12882 |
| (44) Sales of replacement and modification parts for             | 12883 |

engines, airframes, instruments, and interiors in, and paint12884for, aircraft used primarily in a fractional aircraft ownership12885program, and sales of services for the repair, modification, and12886maintenance of such aircraft, and machinery, equipment, and12887supplies primarily used to provide those services.12888

(45) Sales of telecommunications service that is used 12889 directly and primarily to perform the functions of a call 12890 center. As used in this division, "call center" means any 12891 physical location where telephone calls are placed or received 12892 12893 in high volume for the purpose of making sales, marketing, customer service, technical support, or other specialized 12894 business activity, and that employs at least fifty individuals 12895 that engage in call center activities on a full-time basis, or 12896 sufficient individuals to fill fifty full-time equivalent 12897 12898 positions.

(46) Sales by a telecommunications service vendor of 900
service to a subscriber. This division does not apply to
information services, as defined in division (FF) of section
5739.01 of the Revised Code.

(47) Sales of value-added non-voice data service. Thisdivision does not apply to any similar service that is nototherwise a telecommunications service.

(48) (a) Sales of machinery, equipment, and software to a 12906
qualified direct selling entity for use in a warehouse or 12907
distribution center primarily for storing, transporting, or 12908
otherwise handling inventory that is held for sale to 12909
independent salespersons who operate as direct sellers and that 12910
is held primarily for distribution outside this state; 12911

(b) As used in division (B)(48)(a) of this section: 12912

(i) "Direct seller" means a person selling consumer 12913 products to individuals for personal or household use and not 12914 from a fixed retail location, including selling such product at 12915 in-home product demonstrations, parties, and other one-on-one-12916 12917 selling. (ii) "Qualified direct selling entity" means an entity-12918 selling to direct sellers at the time the entity enters into a 12919 tax credit agreement with the tax credit authority pursuant to-12920 section 122.17 of the Revised Code, provided that the agreement 12921 was entered into on or after January 1, 2007. Neither-12922 12923 contingencies relevant to the granting of, nor later developments with respect to, the tax credit shall impair the 12924 status of the qualified direct selling entity under division (B) 12925 (48) of this section after execution of the tax credit agreement 12926 by the tax credit authority. 12927 (c) Division (B) (48) of this section is limited to 12928 machinery, equipment, and software first stored, used, or 12929 consumed in this state within the period commencing June 24, 12930 2008, and ending on the date that is five years after that date. 12931 Sales of a digital audio work electronically transferred for 12932 delivery through use of a machine, such as a juke box, that does 12933 all of the following: 12934 (a) Accepts direct payments to operate; 12935 (b) Automatically plays a selected digital audio work for 12936 a single play upon receipt of a payment described in division 12937 (B)(48)(a) of this section; 12938 (c) Operates exclusively for the purpose of playing 12939

<u>digital audio works in a commercial establishment.</u>

(49) Sales of materials, parts, equipment, or engines used 12941

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in the repair or maintenance of aircraft or avionics systems of 12942 such aircraft, and sales of repair, remodeling, replacement, or 12943 maintenance services in this state performed on aircraft or on 12944 an aircraft's avionics, engine, or component materials or parts. 12945 As used in division (B) (49) of this section, "aircraft" means 12946 aircraft of more than six thousand pounds maximum certified 12947 takeoff weight or used exclusively in general aviation. 12948

(50) Sales of full flight simulators that are used for 12949 pilot or flight-crew training, sales of repair or replacement 12950 parts or components, and sales of repair or maintenance services 12951 for such full flight simulators. "Full flight simulator" means a 12952 replica of a specific type, or make, model, and series of 12953 aircraft cockpit. It includes the assemblage of equipment and 12954 computer programs necessary to represent aircraft operations in 12955 ground and flight conditions, a visual system providing an out-12956 of-the-cockpit view, and a system that provides cues at least 12957 equivalent to those of a three-degree-of-freedom motion system, 12958 and has the full range of capabilities of the systems installed 12959 in the device as described in appendices A and B of part 60 of 12960 chapter 1 of title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations. 12961

(51) Any transfer or lease of tangible personal property
between the state and JobsOhio in accordance with section
4313.02 of the Revised Code.
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(52)(a) Sales to a qualifying corporation. 12965

(b) As used in division (B)(52) of this section: 12966

(i) "Qualifying corporation" means a nonprofit corporation 12967
organized in this state that leases from an eligible county 12968
land, buildings, structures, fixtures, and improvements to the 12969
land that are part of or used in a public recreational facility 12970

used by a major league professional athletic team or a class A 12971
to class AAA minor league affiliate of a major league 12972
professional athletic team for a significant portion of the 12973
team's home schedule, provided the following apply: 12974

(I) The facility is leased from the eligible county
pursuant to a lease that requires substantially all of the
revenue from the operation of the business or activity conducted
by the nonprofit corporation at the facility in excess of
operating costs, capital expenditures, and reserves to be paid
to the eligible county at least once per calendar year.

(II) Upon dissolution and liquidation of the nonprofit 12981 corporation, all of its net assets are distributable to the 12982 board of commissioners of the eligible county from which the 12983 corporation leases the facility. 12984

(ii) "Eligible county" has the same meaning as in section307.695 of the Revised Code.

(53) Sales to or by a cable service provider, video 12987 service provider, or radio or television broadcast station 12988 regulated by the federal government of cable service or 12989 programming, video service or programming, audio service or 12990 programming, or electronically transferred digital audiovisual 12991 or audio work. As used in division (B) (53) of this section, 12992 "cable service" and "cable service provider" have the same 12993 meanings as in section 1332.01 of the Revised Code, and "video 12994 service," "video service provider," and "video programming" have 12995 the same meanings as in section 1332.21 of the Revised Code. 12996

(54) Sales of a digital audio work electronically
transferred for delivery through use of a machine, such as a
juke box, that does all of the following:
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| (a) Accepts direct payments to operate;                                     | 13000 |
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| (b) Automatically plays a selected digital audio work for-                  | 13001 |
| a single play upon receipt of a payment described in division               | 13002 |
| (B)(54)(a) of this section;   | 13003 |
| (c) Operates exclusively for the purpose of playing                         | 13004 |
| digital audio works in a commercial establishment.                          | 13005 |
| <del>(55)(a) <u>(a)</u> Sales of the following occurring on the first</del> | 13006 |
| Friday of August and the following Saturday and Sunday of each              | 13007 |
| year, beginning in 2018:  | 13008 |
| (i) An item of clothing, the price of which is seventy-                     | 13009 |
| five dollars or less;   | 13010 |
| (ii) An item of school supplies, the price of which is                      | 13011 |
| twenty dollars or less;   | 13012 |
| (iii) An item of school instructional material, the price                   | 13013 |
| of which is twenty dollars or less.   | 13014 |
| (b) As used in division <del>(B)(55) <u>(</u>B)(54)</del> of this section:  | 13015 |
| (i) "Clothing" means all human wearing apparel suitable                     | 13016 |
| for general use. "Clothing" includes, but is not limited to,                | 13017 |
| aprons, household and shop; athletic supporters; baby receiving             | 13018 |
| blankets; bathing suits and caps; beach capes and coats; belts              | 13019 |
| and suspenders; boots; coats and jackets; costumes; diapers,                | 13020 |
| children and adult, including disposable diapers; earmuffs;                 | 13021 |
| footlets; formal wear; garters and garter belts; girdles; gloves            | 13022 |
| and mittens for general use; hats and caps; hosiery; insoles for            | 13023 |
| shoes; lab coats; neckties; overshoes; pantyhose; rainwear;                 | 13024 |
| rubber pants; sandals; scarves; shoes and shoe laces; slippers;             | 13025 |
| sneakers; socks and stockings; steel-toed shoes; underwear;                 | 13026 |
| uniforms, athletic and nonathletic; and wedding apparel.                    | 13027 |

"Clothing" does not include items purchased for use in a trade 13028 or business; clothing accessories or equipment; protective 13029 equipment; sports or recreational equipment; belt buckles sold 13030 separately; costume masks sold separately; patches and emblems 13031 sold separately; sewing equipment and supplies including, but 13032 not limited to, knitting needles, patterns, pins, scissors, 13033 sewing machines, sewing needles, tape measures, and thimbles; 13034 and sewing materials that become part of "clothing" including, 13035 but not limited to, buttons, fabric, lace, thread, yarn, and 13036 zippers. 13037

(ii) "School supplies" means items commonly used by a 13038 student in a course of study. "School supplies" includes only 13039 the following items: binders; book bags; calculators; cellophane 13040 tape; blackboard chalk; compasses; composition books; crayons; 13041 erasers; folders, expandable, pocket, plastic, and manila; glue, 13042 paste, and paste sticks; highlighters; index cards; index card 13043 boxes; legal pads; lunch boxes; markers; notebooks; paper, 13044 loose-leaf ruled notebook paper, copy paper, graph paper, 13045 13046 tracing paper, manila paper, colored paper, poster board, and construction paper; pencil boxes and other school supply boxes; 13047 pencil sharpeners; pencils; pens; protractors; rulers; scissors; 13048 and writing tablets. "School supplies" does not include any item 13049 purchased for use in a trade or business. 13050

(iii) "School instructional material" means written
material commonly used by a student in a course of study as a
reference and to learn the subject being taught. "School
instructional material" includes only the following items:
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reference books, reference maps and globes, textbooks, and
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workbooks. "School instructional material" does not include any
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material purchased for use in a trade or business.

(C) For the purpose of the proper administration of this
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chapter, and to prevent the evasion of the tax, it is presumed
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that all sales made in this state are subject to the tax until
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the contrary is established.

(D) The levy of this tax on retail sales of recreation and
 sports club service shall not prevent a municipal corporation
 from levying any tax on recreation and sports club dues or on
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 any income generated by recreation and sports club dues.
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(E) The tax collected by the vendor from the consumer 13066 under this chapter is not part of the price, but is a tax 13067 collection for the benefit of the state, and of counties levying 13068 an additional sales tax pursuant to section 5739.021 or 5739.026 13069 of the Revised Code and of transit authorities levying an 13070 additional sales tax pursuant to section 5739.023 of the Revised 13071 Code. Except for the discount authorized under section 5739.12 13072 of the Revised Code and the effects of any rounding pursuant to 13073 section 5703.055 of the Revised Code, no person other than the 13074 state or such a county or transit authority shall derive any 13075 benefit from the collection or payment of the tax levied by this 13076 section or section 5739.021, 5739.023, or 5739.026 of the 13077 Revised Code. 13078

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Sec. 5739.021. (A) For the purpose of providing additional 13080 general revenues for the county, supporting criminal and 13081 administrative justice services in the county, funding a 13082 regional transportation improvement project under section 13083 5595.06 of the Revised Code, or any combination of the 13084 foregoing, and to pay the expenses of administering such levy, 13085 any county may levy a tax at the rate of not more than one per 13086 cent upon every retail sale made in the county, except sales of 13087

watercraft and outboard motors required to be titled pursuant to 13088 Chapter 1548. of the Revised Code and sales of motor vehicles, 13089 and may increase the rate of an existing tax to not more than 13090 one per cent. The rate of any tax levied pursuant to this 13091 section shall be a multiple of one-twentieth of one per cent. 13092 The rate levied under this section in any county other than a 13093 county that adopted a charter under Article X, Section 3, Ohio 13094 Constitution, may exceed one per cent, but may not exceed one 13095 and one-half per cent minus the amount by which the rate levied 13096 under section 5739.023 of the Revised Code by the county transit 13097 authority exceeds one per cent. 13098

The tax shall be levied and the rate increased pursuant to 13099 a resolution of the board of county commissioners. The 13100 resolution shall state the purpose for which the tax is to be 13101 levied and the number of years for which the tax is to be 13102 levied, or that it is for a continuing period of time. If the 13103 tax is to be levied for the purpose of providing additional 13104 general revenues and for the purpose of supporting criminal and 13105 administrative justice services, the resolution shall state the 13106 rate or amount of the tax to be apportioned to each such 13107 13108 purpose. The rate or amount may be different for each year the tax is to be levied, but the rates or amounts actually 13109 apportioned each year shall not be different from that stated in 13110 the resolution for that year. Any amount by which the rate of 13111 the tax exceeds one per cent shall be apportioned exclusively 13112 for the construction, acquisition, equipping, or repair of a 13113 detention facility in the county. 13114

If the resolution is adopted as an emergency measure 13115 necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, 13116 health, or safety, it must receive an affirmative vote of all of 13117 the members of the board of county commissioners and shall state 13118

the reasons for such necessity. The board shall deliver a 13119 certified copy of the resolution to the tax commissioner, not 13120 later than the sixty-fifth day prior to the date on which the 13121 tax is to become effective, which shall be the first day of the 13122 calendar quarter. A resolution proposing to levy a tax at a rate 13123 that would cause the rate levied under this section to exceed 13124 one per cent may not be adopted as an emergency measure. 13125

Prior to the adoption of any resolution under this 13126 section, the board of county commissioners shall conduct two 13127 public hearings on the resolution, the second hearing to be not 13128 less than three nor more than ten days after the first. Notice 13129 of the date, time, and place of the hearings shall be given by 13130 publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the county, 13131 or as provided in section 7.16 of the Revised Code, once a week 13132 on the same day of the week for two consecutive weeks, the 13133 second publication being not less than ten nor more than thirty 1.31.34 days prior to the first hearing. 13135

Except as provided in division (B)(1) or (3) of this13136section, the resolution shall be subject to a referendum as13137provided in sections 305.31 to 305.41 of the Revised Code.13138

If a petition for a referendum is filed, the county 13139 auditor with whom the petition was filed shall, within five 13140 days, notify the board of county commissioners and the tax 13141 commissioner of the filing of the petition by certified mail. If 13142 the board of elections with which the petition was filed 13143 declares the petition invalid, the board of elections, within 13144 five days, shall notify the board of county commissioners and 13145 the tax commissioner of that declaration by certified mail. If 13146 the petition is declared to be invalid, the effective date of 1.3147 the tax or increased rate of tax levied by this section shall be 13148

the first day of a calendar quarter following the expiration of13149sixty-five days from the date the commissioner receives notice13150from the board of elections that the petition is invalid.13151

(B) (1) A resolution that is not adopted as an emergency 13152 measure may direct the board of elections to submit the question 13153 of levying the tax or increasing the rate of tax to the electors 13154 of the county at a special election held on the date specified 13155 by the board of county commissioners in the resolution, provided 13156 that the election occurs not less than ninety days after a 13157 certified copy of such resolution is transmitted to the board of 13158 elections and the election is not held in February or August of 13159 any year. A resolution proposing to levy a tax at a rate that 13160 would cause the rate levied under this section to exceed one per 13161 cent may not go into effect unless the question is submitted to 13162 electors under this division. Upon transmission of the 13163 resolution to the board of elections, the board of county 13164 commissioners shall notify the tax commissioner in writing of 13165 the levy question to be submitted to the electors. No resolution 13166 adopted under this division shall go into effect unless approved 13167 by a majority of those voting upon it, and, except as provided 13168 in division (B)(3) of this section, shall become effective on 13169 the first day of a calendar quarter following the expiration of 13170 sixty-five days from the date the tax commissioner receives 13171 notice from the board of elections of the affirmative vote. 13172

(2) A resolution that is adopted as an emergency measure
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shall go into effect as provided in division (A) of this
section, but may direct the board of elections to submit the
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question of repealing the tax or increase in the rate of the tax
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to the electors of the county at the next general election in
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the county occurring not less than ninety days after a certified
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copy of the resolution is transmitted to the board of elections.

Upon transmission of the resolution to the board of elections, 13180 the board of county commissioners shall notify the tax 13181 commissioner in writing of the levy question to be submitted to 13182 the electors. The ballot question shall be the same as that 13183 prescribed in section 5739.022 of the Revised Code. The board of 13184 elections shall notify the board of county commissioners and the 13185 tax commissioner of the result of the election immediately after 13186 the result has been declared. If a majority of the qualified 13187 electors voting on the question of repealing the tax or increase 13188 in the rate of the tax vote for repeal of the tax or repeal of 13189 the increase, the board of county commissioners, on the first 13190 day of a calendar quarter following the expiration of sixty-five 13191 days after the date the board and tax commissioner receive 13192 notice of the result of the election, shall, in the case of a 13193 repeal of the tax, cease to levy the tax, or, in the case of a 13194 repeal of an increase in the rate of the tax, cease to levy the 13195 increased rate and levy the tax at the rate at which it was 13196 imposed immediately prior to the increase in rate. 13197

(3) If a vendor makes a sale in this state by printed
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catalog and the consumer computed the tax on the sale based on
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local rates published in the catalog, any tax levied or repealed
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or rate changed under this section shall not apply to such a
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sale until the first day of a calendar quarter following the
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expiration of one hundred twenty days from the date of notice by
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the tax commissioner pursuant to division (H) of this section.

(C) If a resolution is rejected at a referendum or if a
resolution adopted after January 1, 1982, as an emergency
measure is repealed by the electors pursuant to division (B) (2)
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of this section or section 5739.022 of the Revised Code, then
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for one year after the date of the election at which the
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resolution was rejected or repealed the board of county
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commissioners may not adopt any resolution authorized by this 13211 13212 section as an emergency measure. (D) The board of county commissioners, at any time while a 13213 tax levied under this section is in effect, may by resolution 13214 reduce the rate at which the tax is levied to a lower rate 13215 authorized by this section. Any reduction in the rate at which 13216 the tax is levied shall be made effective on the first day of a 13217 calendar quarter next following the sixty-fifth day after a 13218

certified copy of the resolution is delivered to the tax 13219 commissioner. 13220

(E) The tax on every retail sale subject to a tax levied
pursuant to this section shall be in addition to the tax levied
by section 5739.02 of the Revised Code and any tax levied
pursuant to section 5739.023 or 5739.026 of the Revised Code.
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A county that levies a tax pursuant to this section shall 13225 levy a tax at the same rate pursuant to section 5741.021 of the 13226 Revised Code. 13227

The additional tax levied by the county shall be collected 13228 pursuant to section 5739.025 of the Revised Code. If the 13229 additional tax or some portion thereof is levied for the purpose 13230 of criminal and administrative justice services or specifically 13231 for the purpose of constructing, acquiring, equipping, or 13232 repairing a detention facility, the revenue from the tax, or the 13233 amount or rate apportioned to that purpose, shall be credited to 13234 one or more special funds created in the county treasury for 13235 receipt of that revenue. 13236

Any tax levied pursuant to this section is subject to the13237exemptions provided in section 5739.02 of the Revised Code and13238in addition shall not be applicable to sales not within the13239

taxing power of a county under the Constitution of the United 13240 States or the Ohio Constitution. 13241

(F) For purposes of this section, a copy of a resolution
is "certified" when it contains a written statement attesting
that the copy is a true and exact reproduction of the original
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resolution.

(G) If a board of commissioners intends to adopt a 13246
resolution to levy a tax in whole or in part for the purpose of 13247
criminal and administrative justice services, the board shall 13248
prepare and make available at the first public hearing at which 13249
the resolution is considered a statement containing the 13250
following information: 13251

(1) For each of the two preceding fiscal years, the amount
 of expenditures made by the county from the county general fund
 for the purpose of criminal and administrative justice services;
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(2) For the fiscal year in which the resolution is
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adopted, the board's estimate of the amount of expenditures to
be made by the county from the county general fund for the
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purpose of criminal and administrative justice services;
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(3) For each of the two fiscal years after the fiscal year 13259 in which the resolution is adopted, the board's preliminary plan 13260 for expenditures to be made from the county general fund for the 13261 purpose of criminal and administrative justice services, both 13262 under the assumption that the tax will be imposed for that 13263 purpose and under the assumption that the tax would not be 13264 imposed for that purpose, and for expenditures to be made from 13265 the special fund created under division (E) of this section 13266 under the assumption that the tax will be imposed for that 13267 13268 purpose.

The board shall prepare the statement and the preliminary 13269 plan using the best information available to the board at the 13270 time the statement is prepared. Neither the statement nor the 13271 preliminary plan shall be used as a basis to challenge the 13272 validity of the tax in any court of competent jurisdiction, nor 13273 shall the statement or preliminary plan limit the authority of 13274 the board to appropriate, pursuant to section 5705.38 of the 13275 Revised Code, an amount different from that specified in the 13276 13277 preliminary plan.

(H) Upon receipt from a board of county commissioners of a 13278 certified copy of a resolution required by division (A) or (D) 13279 of this section, or from the board of elections of a notice of 13280 the results of an election required by division (A) or (B)(1) or 13281 (2) of this section, the tax commissioner shall provide notice 13282 of a tax rate change in a manner that is reasonably accessible 13283 to all affected vendors. The commissioner shall provide this 13284 notice at least sixty days prior to the effective date of the 13285 rate change. The commissioner, by rule, may establish the method 13286 by which notice will be provided. 13287

(I) As used in this section:

(1) "Criminal and administrative justice services" means 13289 the exercise by the county sheriff of all powers and duties 13290 vested in that office by law; the exercise by the county 13291 prosecuting attorney of all powers and duties vested in that 13292 office by law; the exercise by any court in the county of all 13293 powers and duties vested in that court; the exercise by the 13294 clerk of the court of common pleas, any clerk of a municipal 13295 court having jurisdiction throughout the county, or the clerk of 13296 any county court of all powers and duties vested in the clerk by 13297 law except, in the case of the clerk of the court of common 13298

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pleas, the titling of motor vehicles or watercraft pursuant to 13299 Chapter 1548. or 4505. of the Revised Code; the exercise by the 13300 county coroner of all powers and duties vested in that office by 13301 law; making payments to any other public agency or a private, 13302 nonprofit agency, the purposes of which in the county include 13303 the diversion, adjudication, detention, or rehabilitation of 13304 criminals or juvenile offenders; the operation and maintenance 13305 of any detention facility; and the construction, acquisition, 13306 equipping, or repair of such a detention facility. 13307

(2) "Detention facility" has the same meaning as insection 2921.01 of the Revised Code.13309

(3) "Construction, acquisition, equipping, or repair" of a
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detention facility includes the payment of any debt charges
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incurred in the issuance of securities pursuant to Chapter 133.
of the Revised Code for the purpose of constructing, acquiring,
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equipping, or repairing such a facility.

Sec. 5739.028. As used in this section "sports facility"13315and "constructing" have the same meanings as in division (A) (8)13316of section 5739.026 of the Revised Code.13317

This section applies only to taxes levied pursuant to13318sections 5739.023 and 5741.022 of the Revised Code by a regional13319transit authority created under section 306.31 of the Revised13320Code for a continuing period of time and at an aggregate rate,13321on the effective date of this section July 19, 1995, greater13322than one-half of one per cent on every retail sale made in the13323territory of the transit authority.13324

The board of county commissioners of the most populous13325county in the territory of a regional transit authority levying13326a tax to which this section applies may adopt a resolution not13327

later than one hundred eighty days after the effective date of 13328 this section July 19, 1995, proposing to reduce the rate of such 13329 a tax and to increase by the same extent the rate of tax levied 13330 under sections 5739.026 and 5741.023 of the Revised Code for the 13331 purpose of constructing or renovating a sports facility. The 13332 total reduction in the rate of taxes levied by a transit 13333 authority and the increase in the rate of tax levied for the 13334 purpose of constructing or renovating a sports facility shall 13335 not exceed one-tenth of one per cent upon retail sales made in 13336 the territory of the transit authority; provided, the amount of 13337 taxes received by the county for the purpose of constructing or 13338 renovating a sports facility under this section shall not exceed 13339 four million five hundred thousand dollars in any calendar year. 13340 Any amounts received by a county in a calendar year in excess of 13341 four million five hundred thousand dollars pursuant to this 13342 section shall be paid to the transit authority by the county 13343 within forty-five days following receipt by the county. 13344

The resolution shall specify that the rate of tax levied 13345 by the transit authority will be reduced and that a tax will be 13346 levied at the same rate for the purpose of constructing or 13347 renovating a sports facility; the rate by which the tax levied 13348 by the transit authority will be reduced and by which the tax 13349 levied for the purpose of constructing or renovating a sports 13350 facility will be increased; the date the rates levied for those 13351 purposes will be reduced and increased, respectively; and the 13352 number of years the rate levied by a transit authority will be 13353 reduced and the rate levied for constructing or renovating a 13354 sports facility will be increased. The date the rate levied by 13355 the transit authority will be reduced and the rate levied for 13356 the purpose of constructing or renovating a sports facility will 13357 be increased shall not be earlier than the first day of the 13358

month that begins at least sixty days after the day the election 13359 on the question is conducted unless the board of county 13360 commissioners levies a tax under one or more of sections 13361 307.697, 4301.421, 5743.024, and 5743.323 of the Revised Code on 13362 the effective date of this section July 19, 1995, in which case 13363 the date the rate levied by the transit authority will be 13364 reduced and the rate levied for the purpose of constructing or 13365 renovating a sports facility will be increased shall not be 13366 earlier than the first day following the latest day on which any 13367 of the taxes levied under one of those sections on -the-13368 effective date of this amendment July 19, 1995, may be levied as 13369 prescribed by the resolution levying that tax. The number of 13370 years the rate of the existing tax may be reduced and the rate 13371 of tax may be levied for constructing or renovating a sports 13372 facility may be any number of years as specified in the 13373 resolution, or for a continuing period of time if so specified 13374 in the resolution. 13375

Before a resolution adopted under this section may take 13376 effect, the board of county commissioners shall submit the 13377 resolution to the approval of the electors of the county, and 13378 the resolution shall be approved by a majority of voters voting 13379 on the question. Upon adoption of the resolution, the board of 13380 county commissioners shall certify a copy of the resolution to 13381 the board of elections of the county and to the tax 13382 commissioner, and the board of elections shall submit the 13383 question at a special election held on the date specified by the 13384 board of county commissioners in the resolution, provided that 13385 the election occurs not less than seventy-five days after the 13386 resolution is certified to the board of elections and the 13387 election is not held in February or August of any year. The 13388 board of county commissioners shall certify the copy of the 13389

resolution to the board of elections in the manner prescribed 13390 under section 3505.071 of the Revised Code. The board of 13391 elections shall certify the results of the election to the board 13392 of county commissioners and to the tax commissioner. If the 13393 question is approved by a majority of electors voting on the 1.3.394 question, the rate of tax imposed under sections 5739.023 and 13395 5741.022 of the Revised Code shall be reduced, and the rate of 13396 tax levied for constructing or renovating a sports facility 13397 under sections 5739.026 and 5741.023 of the Revised Code shall 13398 be increased by the same amount, on the date specified in the 13399 resolution. 13400

If revenue from a tax levied under sections 5739.023 and 13401 5741.022 of the Revised Code and subject to reduction under this 13402 section is pledged to the payment of bonds, notes, or notes in 13403 anticipation of bonds, the board of county commissioners 13404 adopting a resolution under this section shall provide 13405 sufficient revenue from the tax for the repayment of debt 13406 charges on those bonds or notes, unless an adequate substitute 13407 for payment of those charges is provided by the transit 13408 authority. 13409

Sec. 5739.03. (A) Except as provided in section 5739.05 or 13410 section 5739.051 of the Revised Code, the tax imposed by or 13411 pursuant to section 5739.02, 5739.021, 5739.023, or 5739.026 of 13412 the Revised Code shall be paid by the consumer to the vendor, 13413 and each vendor shall collect from the consumer, as a trustee 13414 for the state of Ohio, the full and exact amount of the tax 13415 payable on each taxable sale, in the manner and at the times 13416 provided as follows: 13417

(1) If the price is, at or prior to the provision of theservice or the delivery of possession of the thing sold to the13419

consumer, paid in currency passed from hand to hand by the 13420 consumer or the consumer's agent to the vendor or the vendor's 13421 agent, the vendor or the vendor's agent shall collect the tax 13422 13423 with and at the same time as the price;

(2) If the price is otherwise paid or to be paid, the 13424 vendor or the vendor's agent shall, at or prior to the provision 13425 of the service or the delivery of possession of the thing sold 13426 to the consumer, charge the tax imposed by or pursuant to 13427 section 5739.02, 5739.021, 5739.023, or 5739.026 of the Revised 13428 13429 Code to the account of the consumer, which amount shall be collected by the vendor from the consumer in addition to the 13430 price. Such sale shall be reported on and the amount of the tax 13431 applicable thereto shall be remitted with the return for the period in which the sale is made, and the amount of the tax 13433 shall become a legal charge in favor of the vendor and against 13434 the consumer. 13435

(B) (1) (a) If any sale is claimed to be exempt under 13436 division (E) of section 5739.01 of the Revised Code or under 13437 section 5739.02 of the Revised Code, with the exception of 13438 divisions (B)(1) to (11), (28), or (55) (54) of section 5739.02 13439 of the Revised Code, or if the consumer claims the transaction 13440 is not a taxable sale due to one or more of the exclusions 13441 provided under divisions (JJ)(1) to (5) of section 5739.01 of 13442 the Revised Code, the consumer must provide to the vendor, and 13443 the vendor must obtain from the consumer, a certificate 13444 specifying the reason that the sale is not legally subject to 13445 the tax. The certificate shall be in such form, and shall be 13446 provided either in a hard copy form or electronic form, as the 13447 tax commissioner prescribes. 13448

(b) A vendor that obtains a fully completed exemption

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certificate from a consumer is relieved of liability for13450collecting and remitting tax on any sale covered by that13451certificate. If it is determined the exemption was improperly13452claimed, the consumer shall be liable for any tax due on that13453sale under section 5739.02, 5739.021, 5739.023, or 5739.026 or13454Chapter 5741. of the Revised Code. Relief under this division13455from liability does not apply to any of the following:13456

(i) A vendor that fraudulently fails to collect tax; 13457

(ii) A vendor that solicits consumers to participate in13458the unlawful claim of an exemption;13459

(iii) A vendor that accepts an exemption certificate from 13460 a consumer that claims an exemption based on who purchases or 13461 who sells property or a service, when the subject of the 13462 transaction sought to be covered by the exemption certificate is 13463 actually received by the consumer at a location operated by the 13464 vendor in this state, and this state has posted to its web site 13465 an exemption certificate form that clearly and affirmatively 13466 indicates that the claimed exemption is not available in this 13467 state: 13468

(iv) A vendor that accepts an exemption certificate from a
consumer who claims a multiple points of use exemption under
division (D) of section 5739.033 of the Revised Code, if the
item purchased is tangible personal property, other than
prewritten computer software.

(2) The vendor shall maintain records, including exemption
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 certificates, of all sales on which a consumer has claimed an
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 exemption, and provide them to the tax commissioner on request.
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(3) The tax commissioner may establish an identification13477system whereby the commissioner issues an identification number13478

to a consumer that is exempt from payment of the tax. The13479consumer must present the number to the vendor, if any sale is13480claimed to be exempt as provided in this section.13481

(4) If no certificate is provided or obtained within 13482 ninety days after the date on which such sale is consummated, it 13483 shall be presumed that the tax applies. Failure to have so 13484 provided or obtained a certificate shall not preclude a vendor, 13485 within one hundred twenty days after the tax commissioner gives 13486 written notice of intent to levy an assessment, from either 13487 13488 establishing that the sale is not subject to the tax, or obtaining, in good faith, a fully completed exemption 13489 certificate. 13490

(5) Certificates need not be obtained nor provided where 13491 the identity of the consumer is such that the transaction is 13492 never subject to the tax imposed or where the item of tangible 13493 personal property sold or the service provided is never subject 13494 to the tax imposed, regardless of use, or when the sale is in 13495 interstate commerce. 13496

(6) If a transaction is claimed to be exempt under 13497 division (B)(13) of section 5739.02 of the Revised Code, the 13498 contractor shall obtain certification of the claimed exemption 13499 from the contractee. This certification shall be in addition to 13500 an exemption certificate provided by the contractor to the 13501 vendor. A contractee that provides a certification under this 13502 division shall be deemed to be the consumer of all items 13503 purchased by the contractor under the claim of exemption, if it 13504 is subsequently determined that the exemption is not properly 13505 claimed. The certification shall be in such form as the tax 13506 13507 commissioner prescribes.

(C) As used in this division, "contractee" means a person 13508

who seeks to enter or enters into a contract or agreement with a13509contractor or vendor for the construction of real property or13510for the sale and installation onto real property of tangible13511personal property.13512

Any contractor or vendor may request from any contractee a 13513 certification of what portion of the property to be transferred 13514 under such contract or agreement is to be incorporated into the 13515 realty and what portion will retain its status as tangible 13516 personal property after installation is completed. The 13517 13518 contractor or vendor shall request the certification by certified mail delivered to the contractee, return receipt 13519 requested. Upon receipt of such request and prior to entering 13520 into the contract or agreement, the contractee shall provide to 13521 the contractor or vendor a certification sufficiently detailed 13522 to enable the contractor or vendor to ascertain the resulting 13523 classification of all materials purchased or fabricated by the 13524 contractor or vendor and transferred to the contractee. This 13525 requirement applies to a contractee regardless of whether the 13526 contractee holds a direct payment permit under section 5739.031 13527 of the Revised Code or provides to the contractor or vendor an 13528 exemption certificate as provided under this section. 13529

For the purposes of the taxes levied by this chapter and 13530 Chapter 5741. of the Revised Code, the contractor or vendor may 13531 in good faith rely on the contractee's certification. 13532 Notwithstanding division (B) of section 5739.01 of the Revised 13533 Code, if the tax commissioner determines that certain property 13534 certified by the contractee as tangible personal property 13535 pursuant to this division is, in fact, real property, the 13536 contractee shall be considered to be the consumer of all 13537 materials so incorporated into that real property and shall be 13538 liable for the applicable tax, and the contractor or vendor 13539

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shall be excused from any liability on those materials.

If a contractee fails to provide such certification upon 13541 the request of the contractor or vendor, the contractor or 13542 vendor shall comply with the provisions of this chapter and 13543 Chapter 5741. of the Revised Code without the certification. If 13544 the tax commissioner determines that such compliance has been 13545 performed in good faith and that certain property treated as 13546 13547 tangible personal property by the contractor or vendor is, in fact, real property, the contractee shall be considered to be 13548 13549 the consumer of all materials so incorporated into that real property and shall be liable for the applicable tax, and the 13550 construction contractor or vendor shall be excused from any 13551 13552 liability on those materials.

This division does not apply to any contract or agreement13553where the tax commissioner determines as a fact that a13554certification under this division was made solely on the13555decision or advice of the contractor or vendor.13556

(D) Notwithstanding division (B) of section 5739.01 of the
Revised Code, whenever the total rate of tax imposed under this
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chapter is increased after the date after a construction
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contract is entered into, the contractee shall reimburse the
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construction contractor for any additional tax paid on tangible
property consumed or services received pursuant to the contract.

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were properly subject to a claim of exception or exemption. The 13570
vendor shall file such evidence within ninety days of the 13571
receipt by the vendor of the notice of assessment, except that, 13572
upon application and for reasonable cause, the period for 13573
submitting such evidence shall be extended thirty days. 13574

The commissioner shall consider such additional evidence13575in reaching the final determination on the assessment and13576petition for reassessment.13577

(F) Whenever a vendor refunds the price, minus any
separately stated delivery charge, of an item of tangible
personal property on which the tax imposed under this chapter
has been paid, the vendor shall also refund the amount of tax
paid, minus the amount of tax attributable to the delivery
charge.

#### Sec. 5739.034. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Air-to-ground radiotelephone service" means a radio
service, as defined in 47 C.F.R. 22.99, in which common carriers
are authorized to offer and provide radio telecommunications
service for hire to subscribers in aircraft.

(2) "Call-by-call basis" means any method of charging for
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 telecommunications services where the price is measured by
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 individual calls.

(3) "Customer" means the person or entity that contracts
with a seller of telecommunications service. If the end user of
telecommunications service is not the contracting party, the end
user of the telecommunications service is the customer of the
telecommunications service. "Customer" does not include a
reseller of telecommunications service or of mobile
telecommunications service of a serving carrier under an
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| agreement to serve the customer outside the home service         | 13599 |
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| provider's licensed service area.                                | 13600 |
| (4) "End user" means the person who utilizes the                 | 13601 |
| telecommunications service. In the case of a person other than   | 13602 |
| an individual, "end user" means the individual who utilizes the  | 13603 |
| service on behalf of the person.                                 | 13604 |
| (5) "Home service provider" has the same meaning as in the       | 13605 |
| "Mobile Telecommunications Sourcing Act," Pub. L. No. 106-252,   | 13606 |
| 114 Stat. 631 (2000), 4 U.S.C. 124(5), as amended.               | 13607 |
| (6) "Place of primary use" means the street address              | 13608 |
| representative of where the customer's use of the                | 13609 |
| telecommunications service primarily occurs, which must be the   | 13610 |
| residential street address or the primary business street        | 13611 |
| address of the customer. In the case of mobile                   | 13612 |
| telecommunications services, "place of primary use" must be      | 13613 |
| within the licensed service area of the home service provider.   | 13614 |
| (7) "Post-paid calling service" means the                        | 13615 |
| telecommunications service obtained by making a payment on a     | 13616 |
| call-by-call basis either through the use of a credit card or    | 13617 |
| payment mechanism such as a bank card, travel card, credit card, | 13618 |
| or debit card, or by charge made to a telephone number that is   | 13619 |
| not associated with the origination or termination of the        | 13620 |
| telecommunications service. "Post-paid calling service" includes | 13621 |
| a telecommunications service, except a prepaid wireless calling  | 13622 |
| service, that would be a prepaid calling service, but for the    | 13623 |
| fact that it is not exclusively a telecommunications service.    | 13624 |
| (8) "Prepaid calling service" and "prepaid wireless-             | 13625 |
| calling service" have the same meanings as in section 5739.01 of | 13626 |
| the Revised Code.  | 13627 |

(9)-"Service address" means:

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(a) The location of the telecommunications equipment to
which a customer's call is charged and from which the call
originates or terminates, regardless of where the call is billed
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or paid.

(b) If the location in division (A) (9) (8) (a) of this
section is not known, "service address" means the origination
point of the signal of the telecommunications service first
identified by either the seller's telecommunications system or
in information received by the seller from its service provider,
where the system used to transport such signals is not that of
the seller.

(c) If the locations in divisions  $(A) \frac{(9)}{(8)}(a)$  and (b) of 13640 this section are not known, "service address" means the location 13641 of the customer's place of primary use. 13642

(10) (9) "Private communication service" means a 13643 telecommunications service that entitles a customer to exclusive 13644 or priority use of a communications channel or group of channels 13645 13646 between or among termination points, regardless of the manner in 13647 which the channel or channels are connected, and includes switching capacity, extension lines, stations, and any other 13648 associated services that are provided in connection with the use 13649 of such channel or channels. 13650

(B) The amount of tax due pursuant to sections 5739.02, 13651
5739.021, 5739.023, and 5739.026 of the Revised Code on sales of 13652
telecommunications service, information service, or mobile 13653
telecommunications service, is the sum of the taxes imposed 13654
pursuant to those sections at the sourcing location of the sale 13655
as determined under this section. 13656

(C) Except for the telecommunications services described 13657 in division (E) of this section, the sale of telecommunications 13658 service sold on a call-by-call basis shall be sourced to each 13659 level of taxing jurisdiction where the call originates and 13660 terminates in that jurisdiction, or each level of taxing 13661 jurisdiction where the call either originates or terminates and 13662 in which the service address also is located. 13663

(D) Except for the telecommunications services described
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in division (E) of this section, a sale of telecommunications
services sold on a basis other than a call-by-call basis shall
be sourced to the customer's place of primary use.

(E) The sale of the following telecommunications services13668shall be sourced to each level of taxing jurisdiction, as13669follows:13670

(1) A sale of mobile telecommunications service, other
than air-to-ground radiotelephone service and prepaid calling
service, shall be sourced to the customer's place of primary use
as required by the Mobile Telecommunications Sourcing Act.

(2) A sale of post-paid calling service shall be sourced
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to the origination point of the telecommunications signal as
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first identified by the service provider's telecommunications
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system, or information received by the seller from its service
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provider, where the system used to transport such signals is not
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that of the seller.

(3) A sale of prepaid calling service or prepaid wireless
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calling service shall be sourced under division (C) of section
5739.033 of the Revised Code. But in the case of prepaid
wireless calling service, in lieu of sourcing the sale of the
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service under division (C) (5) of section 5739.033 of the Revised
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| Code, the service provider may elect to source the sale to the   | 13686 |
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| location associated with the mobile telephone number.            | 13687 |
| (4) A sale of a private communication service shall be           | 13688 |
| sourced as follows:  | 13689 |
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| (a) Service for a separate charge related to a customer          | 13690 |
| channel termination point shall be sourced to each level of      | 13691 |
| jurisdiction in which the customer channel termination point is  | 13692 |
| located;   | 13693 |
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| (b) Service where all customer channel termination points        | 13694 |
| are located entirely within one jurisdiction or level of         | 13695 |
| jurisdiction shall be sourced in the jurisdiction in which the   | 13696 |
| customer channel termination points are located;                 | 13697 |
| (c) Service for segments of a channel between two customer       | 13698 |
| channel termination points located in different jurisdictions    | 13699 |
| and which segments of a channel are separately charged shall be  | 13700 |
| sourced fifty per cent in each level of jurisdiction in which    | 13701 |
| the customer channel termination points are located;             | 13702 |
| (d) Service for segments of a channel located in more than       | 13703 |
| one jurisdiction or level of jurisdiction and which segments are | 13704 |
| not separately billed shall be sourced in each jurisdiction      | 13705 |
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| based on the percentage determined by dividing the number of     | 13706 |
| customer channel termination points in the jurisdiction by the   | 13707 |

Sec. 5739.05. (A)(1) The tax commissioner shall enforce 13709 and administer sections 5739.01 to 5739.31 of the Revised Code, 13710 which are hereby declared to be sections which the commissioner 13711 is required to administer within the meaning of sections 5703.17 13712 to 5703.37, 5703.39, 5703.41, and 5703.45 of the Revised Code. 13713 The commissioner may adopt and promulgate, in accordance with 13714

total number of customer channel termination points.

sections 119.01 to 119.13 of the Revised Code, such rules as the 13715 commissioner deems necessary to administer sections 5739.01 to 13716 5739.31 of the Revised Code. 13717

(2) On or before the first day of May of each year, the
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commissioner shall make available to vendors a notice explaining
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the three-day exemption period required under division (B) (55)
(B) (54) of section 5739.02 of the Revised Code.
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(B) Upon application, the commissioner may authorize a 13722 vendor to pay on a predetermined basis the tax levied by or 13723 pursuant to section 5739.02, 5739.021, 5739.023, or 5739.026 of 13724 the Revised Code upon sales of things produced or distributed or 13725 services provided by such vendor, and the commissioner may waive 13726 the collection of the tax from the consumer. The commissioner 13727 shall not grant such authority unless the commissioner finds 13728 that the granting of the authority would improve compliance and 13729 increase the efficiency of the administration of the tax. The 13730 person to whom such authority is granted shall post a notice, if 13731 required by the commissioner, at the location where the product 13732 is offered for sale that the tax is included in the selling 13733 price. The commissioner may adopt rules to administer this 13734 division. 13735

(C) Upon application, the commissioner may authorize a 13736 vendor to remit, on the basis of a prearranged agreement under 13737 this division, the tax levied by section 5739.02 or pursuant to 13738 section 5739.021, 5739.023, or 5739.026 of the Revised Code. The 13739 proportions and ratios in a prearranged agreement shall be 13740 determined either by a test check conducted by the commissioner 13741 under terms and conditions agreed to by the commissioner and the 13742 vendor or by any other method agreed upon by the vendor and the 13743 commissioner. If the parties are unable to agree to the terms 13744

and conditions of the test check or other method, the 13745 application shall be denied. 13746

If used, the test check shall determine the proportion13747that taxable retail sales bear to all of the vendor's retail13748sales and the ratio which the tax required to be collected under13749sections 5739.02, 5739.021, 5739.023, and 5739.026 of the13750Revised Code bears to the receipts from the vendor's taxable13751retail sales.13752

The vendor's liability for remitting the tax shall be 13753 based solely upon the proportions and ratios established in the 13754 agreement until such time that the vendor or the commissioner 13755 believes that the nature of the vendor's business has so changed 13756 as to make the agreement no longer representative. The 13757 commissioner may give notice to the vendor at any time that the 13758 authorization is revoked or the vendor may notify the 13759 commissioner that the vendor no longer elects to report under 13760 the authorization. Such notice shall be delivered to the other 13761 party personally or by registered mail. The revocation or 13762 cancellation is effective the last day of the month in which the 13763 vendor or the commissioner receives the notice. 13764

Sec. 5739.08. The levy of an excise tax on transactions by13766which lodging by a hotel is or is to be furnished to transient13767guests pursuant to section 5739.02 and division (B) of section137685739.01 of the Revised Code does not prevent any of the13769following:13770

(A) A municipal corporation or township from levying may
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 <u>levy</u> an excise tax for any lawful purpose not to exceed three
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 per cent on transactions by which lodging by a hotel is or is to
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be furnished to transient quests in addition to the tax levied 13774 by section 5739.02 of the Revised Code. If a municipal 13775 corporation or township repeals a tax imposed under division (A) 13776 of this section, and a county in which the municipal corporation 13777 or township has territory has a tax imposed under division <del>(C)</del> 13778 (M) of section 5739.09 of the Revised Code in effect, the 13779 13780 municipal corporation or township may not reimpose its tax as long as that county tax remains in effect. A municipal 13781 corporation or township in which a tax is levied under division 13782 (B) (2) of section 351.021 of the Revised Code may not increase 13783 the rate of its tax levied under division (A) of this section to 13784 any rate that would cause the total taxes levied under both of 13785 those divisions to exceed three per cent on any lodging 13786 transaction within the municipal corporation or township. 13787

(B) A municipal corporation or a township from levying an
additional excise tax not to exceed three per cent on such
transactions pursuant to division (B) of section 5739.09 of the
Revised Code. Such tax is in addition to any tax imposed under
division (A) of this section.

(C) A county from levying an excise tax pursuant to13793division (A) of section 5739.09 of the Revised Code;13794

(D) A county from levying an excise tax not to exceed13795three per cent of such transactions pursuant to division (C) of13796section 5739.09 of the Revised Code. Such a tax is in addition13797to any tax imposed under division (C) of this section.13798

(E) A convention facilities authority, as defined in13799division (A) of section 351.01 of the Revised Code, from levying13800the excise taxes provided for in divisions (B) and (C) of13801section 351.021 of the Revised Code;13802

(F) A county from levying an excise tax not to exceed one 13803 and one-half per cent of such transactions pursuant to division-13804 (D) of section 5739.09 of the Revised Code. Such tax is in 13805 addition to any tax imposed under division (C) or (D) of this-13806 13807 section\_ 13808 (G) A county from levying an excise tax not to exceed oneand one half per cent of such transactions pursuant to division-13809 (E) of section 5739.09 of the Revised Code. Such a tax is in-13810 addition to any tax imposed under division (C), (D), or (F) of 13811 this section \_ The legislative authority of a municipal 13812 corporation or the board of trustees of a township that is not 13813 wholly or partly located in a county that has in effect a 13814 resolution levying an excise tax pursuant to division (A) of 13815 section 5739.09 of the Revised Code may, by ordinance or 13816 resolution, levy an additional excise tax not to exceed three 13817 per cent on transactions by which lodging by a hotel is or is to 13818 be furnished to transient quests. The legislative authority of 13819 the municipal corporation or the board of trustees of the 13820 township shall deposit at least fifty per cent of the revenue 13821 from the tax levied pursuant to this division into a separate 13822 fund, which shall be spent solely to make contributions to 13823 convention and visitors' bureaus operating within the county in 13824 which the municipal corporation or township is wholly or partly 13825 located, and the balance of that revenue shall be deposited in 13826 the general fund. The municipal corporation or township shall 13827 establish all regulations necessary to provide for the 13828 administration and allocation of the tax. The regulations may 13829 prescribe the time for payment of the tax, and may provide for 13830 the imposition of a penalty or interest, or both, for late 13831 payments, provided that the penalty does not exceed ten per cent 13832 of the amount of tax due, and the rate at which interest accrues 13833

| does not exceed the rate per annum prescribed pursuant to        | 13834 |
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| section 5703.47 of the Revised Code. The levy of a tax under     | 13835 |
| this division is in addition to any tax imposed on the same      | 13836 |
| transaction by a municipal corporation or a township under       | 13837 |
| division (A) of this section.                                    | 13838 |
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| (C)(1) As used in division (C) of this section, "cost" has       | 13839 |
| the same meaning as in section 351.01 of the Revised Code, and   | 13840 |
| "convention center" has the same meaning as in section 307.695   | 13841 |
| of the Revised Code.   | 13842 |
| (2) The legislative authority of the most populous               | 13843 |
| municipal corporation located wholly or partly in a county in    | 13844 |
| which the board of county commissioners has levied a tax under   | 13845 |
| division (D) of section 5739.09 of the Revised Code may amend,   | 13846 |
| on or before September 30, 2002, that municipal corporation's    | 13847 |
| ordinance or resolution that levies an excise tax on             | 13848 |
| transactions by which lodging by a hotel is or is to be          | 13849 |
| furnished to transient guests, to provide for all of the         | 13850 |
| following:   | 13851 |
| (a) That the rate of the tax shall be increased by not           | 13852 |
| more than an additional one per cent on each transaction;        | 13853 |
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| (b) That all of the revenue from the increase in rate            | 13854 |
| shall be pledged and contributed to a convention facilities      | 13855 |
| authority established by the board of county commissioners under | 13856 |
| Chapter 351. of the Revised Code on or before May 15, 2002, and  | 13857 |
| be used to pay costs of constructing, expanding, maintaining,    | 13858 |
| operating, or promoting a convention center in the county,       | 13859 |
| including paying bonds, or notes issued in anticipation of       | 13860 |
| bonds, as provided by that chapter;                              | 13861 |
| (c) That the increase in rate shall not be subject to            | 13862 |

| diminution by initiative or referendum or by law while any       | 13863 |
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| bonds, or notes in anticipation of bonds, issued by the          | 13864 |
| authority under Chapter 351. of the Revised Code to which the    | 13865 |
| revenue is pledged, remain outstanding in accordance with their  | 13866 |
| terms, unless provision is made by law, by the board of county   | 13867 |
| commissioners, or by the legislative authority, for an adequate  | 13868 |
| substitute therefor that is satisfactory to the trustee if a     | 13869 |
| trust agreement secures the bonds.                               | 13870 |
| (3) The legislative authority of a municipal corporation         | 13871 |
| that, pursuant to division (C)(2) of this section, has amended   | 13872 |
| its ordinance or resolution to increase the rate of the tax      | 13873 |
| authorized by division (B) of this section may further amend the | 13874 |
| ordinance or resolution to provide that the revenue referred to  | 13875 |
| in division (C)(2)(b) of this section shall be pledged and       | 13876 |
| contributed both to a convention facilities authority to pay the | 13877 |
| costs of constructing, expanding, maintaining, or operating one  | 13878 |
| or more convention centers in the county, including paying       | 13879 |
| bonds, or notes issued in anticipation of bonds, as provided in  | 13880 |
| Chapter 351. of the Revised Code, and to a convention and        | 13881 |
| visitors' bureau to pay the costs of promoting one or more       | 13882 |
| convention centers in the county.                                | 13883 |
| convention centers in the county.                                | 10000 |
| (D) As used in division (D) of this section, "eligible           | 13884 |
| municipal corporation" means a municipal corporation that, on    | 13885 |
| September 29, 2017, levied a tax under division (B) of this      | 13886 |
| section at a rate of three per cent and that is located in a     | 13887 |
| county that, on that date, levied a tax under division (A) of    | 13888 |
| section 5739.09 of the Revised Code at a rate of three per cent  | 13889 |
| and that has, according to the most recent federal decennial     | 13890 |
| census, a population exceeding three hundred thousand but not    | 13891 |
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greater than three hundred fifty thousand.

The legislative authority of an eligible municipal 13893 corporation may amend, on or before December 31, 2017, that 13894 municipal corporation's ordinance or resolution that levies an 13895 excise tax on transactions by which lodging by a hotel is or is 13896 to be furnished to transient quests, to provide for the 13897 following: 13898 (1) That the rate of the tax shall be increased by not 13899 more than an additional three per cent on each transaction; 13900 (2) That all of the revenue from the increase in rate 13901

shall be used by the municipal corporation for economic13902development and tourism-related purposes.13903

Sec. 5739.09. (A) (1) A board of county commissioners may, 13904 by resolution adopted by a majority of the members of the board, 13905 levy an excise tax not to exceed three per cent on transactions 13906 by which lodging by a hotel is or is to be furnished to 13907 transient quests. The board shall establish all regulations 13908 necessary to provide for the administration and allocation of 13909 the tax. The regulations may prescribe the time for payment of 13910 the tax, and may provide for the imposition of a penalty or 13911 interest, or both, for late payments, provided that the penalty 13912 does not exceed ten per cent of the amount of tax due, and the 13913 rate at which interest accrues does not exceed the rate per 13914 annum prescribed pursuant to section 5703.47 of the Revised 13915 Code. Except as <u>otherwise</u> provided in <del>divisions (A)(2), (3),</del> 13916 (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), (11), and (12) of this 13917 section, the regulations shall provide, after deducting the real 13918 and actual costs of administering the tax, for the return to 13919 each municipal corporation or township that does not levy an 13920 excise tax on the transactions, a uniform percentage of the tax 13921 collected in the municipal corporation or in the unincorporated 13922

portion of the township from each transaction, not to exceed 13923 thirty-three and one-third per cent. The Except as provided in 13924 this section, the remainder of the revenue arising from the tax 13925 shall be deposited in a separate fund and shall be spent solely 13926 to make contributions to the convention and visitors' bureau 13927 operating within the county, including a pledge and contribution 13928 of any portion of the remainder pursuant to an agreement 13929 authorized by section 307.678 or 307.695 of the Revised Code, 13930 13931 provided that if.

(2) If the board of county commissioners of an eligible 13932 county as defined in section 307.678 or 307.695 of the Revised 13933 Code adopts a resolution amending a resolution levying a tax 13934 under this division (A) of this section to provide that revenue 13935 from the tax shall be used by the board as described in either 13936 division (D) of section 307.678 or division (H) of section 13937 307.695 of the Revised Code, the remainder of the revenue shall 13938 be used as described in the resolution making that amendment. 13939 Except-13940

(3) Except as provided in division (A) (2), (3), (4), (5), 13941 (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), or (11) (B), (C), (D), (E), (F), (G), 13942 (H), (I), (J), (K), or (H) (Q) of this section, on and after May 13943 10, 1994, a board of county commissioners may not levy an excise 13944 tax pursuant to this division (A) of this section in any 13945 municipal corporation or township located wholly or partly 13946 within the county that has in effect an ordinance or resolution 13947 levying an excise tax pursuant to division (B) of this section\_ 13948 5739.08 of the Revised Code. The-13949

(4) The board of a county that has levied a tax under13950division (C) (M) of this section may, by resolution adopted13951within ninety days after July 15, 1985, by a majority of the13952

members of the board, amend the resolution levying a tax under 13953 this division (A) of this section to provide for a portion of 13954 that tax to be pledged and contributed in accordance with an 13955 agreement entered into under section 307.695 of the Revised 13956 Code. A tax, any revenue from which is pledged pursuant to such 13957 an agreement, shall remain in effect at the rate at which it is 13958 imposed for the duration of the period for which the revenue 13959 13960 from the tax has been so pledged.

(5) The board of county commissioners of an eligible 13961 county as defined in section 307.695 of the Revised Code may, by 13962 resolution adopted by a majority of the members of the board, 13963 amend a resolution levying a tax under this division (A) of this 13964 section to provide that the revenue from the tax shall be used 13965 by the board as described in division (H) of section 307.695 of 13966 the Revised Code, in which case the tax shall remain in effect 13967 at the rate at which it was imposed for the duration of any 13968 agreement entered into by the board under section 307.695 of the 13969 Revised Code, the duration during which any securities issued by 13970 the board under that section are outstanding, or the duration of 13971 the period during which the board owns a project as defined in 13972 section 307.695 of the Revised Code, whichever duration is 13973 longest. 13974

(6)The board of county commissioners of an eligible13975county as defined in section 307.678 of the Revised Code may, by13976resolution, amend a resolution levying a tax under this division13977(A) of this section to provide that revenue from the tax, not to13978exceed five hundred thousand dollars each year, may be used as13979described in division (E) of section 307.678 of the Revised13980Code.13981

<u>(7)</u>Notwithstanding division <del>(A)(1) (A)</del>of this section,

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the board of county commissioners of a county described in 13983 division (A)(8)(a) (H)(1) of this section may, by resolution, 13984 amend a resolution levying a tax under this division (A) of this 13985 section to provide that all or a portion of the revenue from the 13986 tax, including any revenue otherwise required to be returned to 13987 townships or municipal corporations under this that division, 13988 may be used or pledged for the payment of debt service on 13989 securities issued to pay the costs of constructing, operating, 13990 and maintaining sports facilities described in division (A) (8) 13991 (b) (H) (2) of this section. 13992

(8) The board of county commissioners of a county13993described in division (A) (9) (I) of this section may, by13994resolution, amend a resolution levying a tax under this division13995(A) of this section to provide that all or a portion of the13996revenue from the tax may be used for the purposes described in13997section 307.679 of the Revised Code.13998

(2) (B) A board of county commissioners that levies an 13999 excise tax under division  $\frac{(A)(1)}{(A)}$  of this section on June 30, 14000 1997, at a rate of three per cent, and that has pledged revenue 14001 14002 from the tax to an agreement entered into under section 307.695 of the Revised Code or, in the case of the board of county 14003 14004 commissioners of an eligible county as defined in section 307.695 of the Revised Code, has amended a resolution levying a 14005 tax under division  $\frac{(C)}{(M)}$  of this section to provide that 14006 proceeds from the tax shall be used by the board as described in 14007 division (H) of section 307.695 of the Revised Code, may, at any 14008 time by a resolution adopted by a majority of the members of the 14009 board, amend the resolution levying a tax under division (A) (1) 14010 (A) of this section to provide for an increase in the rate of 14011 that tax up to seven per cent on each transaction; to provide 14012 that revenue from the increase in the rate shall be used as 14013

described in division (H) of section 307.695 of the Revised Code 14014 or be spent solely to make contributions to the convention and 14015 visitors' bureau operating within the county to be used 14016 specifically for promotion, advertising, and marketing of the 14017 region in which the county is located; and to provide that the 14018 rate in excess of the three per cent levied under division (A) 14019 (1) (A) of this section shall remain in effect at the rate at 14020 which it is imposed for the duration of the period during which 14021 any agreement is in effect that was entered into under section 14022 307.695 of the Revised Code by the board of county commissioners 14023 levying a tax under division  $\frac{(A)}{(A)}$  (A) of this section, the 14024 duration of the period during which any securities issued by the 14025 board under division (I) of section 307.695 of the Revised Code 14026 are outstanding, or the duration of the period during which the 14027 board owns a project as defined in section 307.695 of the 14028 Revised Code, whichever duration is longest. The amendment also 14029 shall provide that no portion of that revenue need be returned 14030 to townships or municipal corporations as would otherwise be 14031 required under division  $\frac{(A)(1)}{(A)}$  (A) of this section. 14032

| <del>(3) (C)(1) As used in division (C) of this section, "cost"</del> | 14033 |
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| and "facility" have the same meanings as in section 351.01 of         | 14034 |
| the Revised Code, and "convention center" has the same meaning        | 14035 |
| as in section 307.695 of the Revised Code.                            | 14036 |

(2) A board of county commissioners that levies a tax 14037 under division (A) (1) (A) of this section on March 18, 1999, at 14038 a rate of three per cent may, by resolution adopted not later 14039 than forty-five days after March 18, 1999, amend the resolution 14040 levying the tax to provide for all of the following: 14041

(a) That the rate of the tax shall be increased by notmore than an additional four per cent on each transaction;14043

(b) That all of the revenue from the increase in the rate 14044 shall be pledged and contributed to a convention facilities 14045 authority established by the board of county commissioners under 14046 Chapter 351. of the Revised Code on or before November 15, 1998, 14047 and used to pay costs of constructing, maintaining, operating, 14048 and promoting a facility in the county, including paying bonds, 14049 or notes issued in anticipation of bonds, as provided by that 14050 14051 chapter;

(c) That no portion of the revenue arising from the 14052 increase in rate need be returned to municipal corporations or 14053 townships as otherwise required under division (A) (1) (A) of 14054 this section; 14055

(d) That the increase in rate shall not be subject to 14056 diminution by initiative or referendum or by law while any 14057 bonds, or notes in anticipation of bonds, issued by the 14058 authority under Chapter 351. of the Revised Code to which the 14059 revenue is pledged, remain outstanding in accordance with their 14060 terms, unless provision is made by law or by the board of county 14061 commissioners for an adequate substitute therefor that is 14062 satisfactory to the trustee if a trust agreement secures the 14063 bonds. 14064

(3) Division (A) (3) (C) of this section does not apply to14065the board of county commissioners of any county in which a14066convention center or facility exists or is being constructed on14067November 15, 1998, or of any county in which a convention14068facilities authority levies a tax pursuant to section 351.021 of14069the Revised Code on that date.14070

| As used in division (A)(3) of this section, "cost" and           | 14071 |
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| "facility" have the same meanings as in section 351.01 of the    | 14072 |
| Revised Code, and "convention center" has the same meaning as in | 14073 |

section 307.695 of the Revised Code.

(4) (a) (D) (1) As used in division (D) of this section, "cost" has the same meaning as in section 351.01 of the Revised 14076 Code, and "convention center" has the same meaning as in section 14077 307.695 of the Revised Code. 14078

(2) A board of county commissioners that levies a tax 14079 under division  $\frac{(A)(1)}{(A)}$  (A) of this section on June 30, 2002, at a 14080 rate of three per cent may, by resolution adopted not later than 14081 September 30, 2002, amend the resolution levying the tax to 14082 provide for all of the following: 14083

(i) (a) That the rate of the tax shall be increased by not 14084 more than an additional three and one-half per cent on each 14085 transaction; 14086

(ii) (b) That all of the revenue from the increase in rate 14087 shall be pledged and contributed to a convention facilities 14088 authority established by the board of county commissioners under 14089 Chapter 351. of the Revised Code on or before May 15, 2002, and 14090 be used to pay costs of constructing, expanding, maintaining, 14091 operating, or promoting a convention center in the county, 14092 14093 including paying bonds, or notes issued in anticipation of bonds, as provided by that chapter; 14094

(iii) (c) That no portion of the revenue arising from the 14095 increase in rate need be returned to municipal corporations or 14096 townships as otherwise required under division  $\frac{(A)}{(A)}$  of 14097 this section; 14098

(iv) (d) That the increase in rate shall not be subject to 14099 diminution by initiative or referendum or by law while any 14100 bonds, or notes in anticipation of bonds, issued by the 14101 authority under Chapter 351. of the Revised Code to which the 14102

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revenue is pledged, remain outstanding in accordance with their 14103 terms, unless provision is made by law or by the board of county 14104 commissioners for an adequate substitute therefor that is 14105 satisfactory to the trustee if a trust agreement secures the 14106 bonds. 14107

(b) (3) Any board of county commissioners that, pursuant 14108 to division (A)(4)(a) (D)(2) of this section, has amended a 14109 resolution levying the tax authorized by division  $\frac{(A)(1)}{(A)}$  of 14110 this section may further amend the resolution to provide that 14111 the revenue referred to in division (A) (4) (a) (ii) (D) (2) (b) of 14112 this section shall be pledged and contributed both to a 14113 convention facilities authority to pay the costs of 14114 constructing, expanding, maintaining, or operating one or more 14115 convention centers in the county, including paying bonds, or 14116 notes issued in anticipation of bonds, as provided in Chapter 14117 351. of the Revised Code, and to a convention and visitors' 14118 bureau to pay the costs of promoting one or more convention 14119 centers in the county. 14120

As used in division (A) (4) of this section, "cost" has the14121same meaning as in section 351.01 of the Revised Code, and14122"convention center" has the same meaning as in section 307.69514123of the Revised Code.14124

 (5) (a) (E) (1) As used in division (A) (5) (E) of this
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(i) (a) "Port authority" means a port authority created 14127 under Chapter 4582. of the Revised Code. 14128

(ii) (b) "Port authority military-use facility" means port14129authority facilities on which or adjacent to which is located an14130installation of the armed forces of the United States, a reserve14131

component thereof, or the national guard and at least part of 14132 which is made available for use, for consideration, by the armed 14133 forces of the United States, a reserve component thereof, or the 14134 national guard. 14135

(b) (2)For the purpose of contributing revenue to pay14136operating expenses of a port authority that operates a port14137authority military-use facility, the board of county14138commissioners of a county that created, participated in the14139creation of, or has joined such a port authority may do one or14140both of the following:14141

(i) (a) Amend a resolution previously adopted under14142division (A) (1) (A) of this section to designate some or all of14143the revenue from the tax levied under the resolution to be used14144for that purpose, notwithstanding that division;14145

(ii) (b) Amend a resolution previously adopted under14146division (A) (1) (A) of this section to increase the rate of the14147tax by not more than an additional two per cent and use the14148revenue from the increase exclusively for that purpose.14149

(c) [3] If a board of county commissioners amends a 14150 resolution to increase the rate of a tax as authorized in 14151 division  $\frac{(A)(5)(b)(ii)}{(E)(2)(b)}$  of this section, the board also 14152 may amend the resolution to specify that the increase in rate of 14153 the tax does not apply to "hotels," as otherwise defined in 14154 section 5739.01 of the Revised Code, having fewer rooms used for 14155 the accommodation of quests than a number of rooms specified by 14156 the board. 14157

(6) (F) (1) A board of county commissioners of a county14158organized under a county charter adopted pursuant to Article X,14159Section 3, Ohio Constitution, and that levies an excise tax14160

under division  $\frac{(A)}{(1)}$  (A) of this section at a rate of three per 14161 cent and levies an additional excise tax under division  $\frac{(E)}{(O)}$ 14162 of this section at a rate of one and one-half per cent may, by 14163 resolution adopted not later than January 1, 2008, by a majority 14164 of the members of the board, amend the resolution levying a tax 14165 under division (A) (1) (A) of this section to provide for an 14166 increase in the rate of that tax by not more than an additional 14167 one per cent on transactions by which lodging by a hotel is or 14168 is to be furnished to transient guests. Notwithstanding 14169 divisions  $\frac{(A)(1)}{(A)}$  and  $\frac{(E)}{(O)}$  of this section, the resolution 14170 shall provide that all of the revenue from the increase in rate, 14171 after deducting the real and actual costs of administering the 14172 tax, shall be used to pay the costs of improving, expanding, 14173 equipping, financing, or operating a convention center by a 14174 convention and visitors' bureau in the county. The-14175

(2) The increase in rate shall remain in effect for the14176period specified in the resolution, not to exceed ten years, and14177may be extended for an additional period of time not to exceed14178ten years thereafter by a resolution adopted by a majority of14179the members of the board. The14180

(3) The increase in rate shall be subject to the14181regulations adopted under division (A) (1) (A) of this section,14182except that the resolution may provide that no portion of the14183revenue from the increase in the rate shall be returned to14184townships or municipal corporations as would otherwise be14185required under that division.14186

(7) (G) (1) Division (A) (7) (G) of this section applies14187only to a county with a population greater than sixty-five14188thousand and less than seventy thousand according to the most14189recent federal decennial census and in which, on December 31,14190

2006, an excise tax is levied under division (A) (1) (A) of this 14191 section at a rate not less than and not greater than three per 14192 cent, and in which the most recent increase in the rate of that 14193 tax was enacted or took effect in November 1984. 14194

(2) The board of county commissioners of a county to which 14195 this division (G) of this section applies, by resolution adopted 14196 by a majority of the members of the board, may increase the rate 14197 of the tax by not more than one per cent on transactions by 14198 which lodging by a hotel is or is to be furnished to transient 14199 quests. The increase in rate shall be for the purpose of paying 14200 expenses deemed necessary by the convention and visitors' bureau 14201 operating in the county to promote travel and tourism. The-14202

(3) The increase in rate shall remain in effect for the 14203 period specified in the resolution, not to exceed twenty years, 14204 provided that the increase in rate may not continue beyond the 14205 time when the purpose for which the increase is levied ceases to 14206 exist. If revenue from the increase in rate is pledged to the 14207 payment of debt charges on securities, the increase in rate is 14208 not subject to diminution by initiative or referendum or by law 14209 for so long as the securities are outstanding, unless provision 14210 is made by law or by the board of county commissioners for an 14211 adequate substitute for that revenue that is satisfactory to the 14212 trustee if a trust agreement secures payment of the debt 14213 14214 charges. The

(4) The increase in rate shall be subject to the14215regulations adopted under division (A) (1) (A) of this section,14216except that the resolution may provide that no portion of the14217revenue from the increase in the rate shall be returned to14218townships or municipal corporations as would otherwise be14219required under division (A) (1) (A) of this section. A14220

(5) A resolution adopted under division (A) (7) (G) of this 14221 section is subject to referendum under sections 305.31 to 305.99 14222 of the Revised Code. 14223

(8) (a) (H) (1) Division (A) (8) (H) of this section applies14224only to a county satisfying all of the following:14225

(i) (a)The population of the county is greater than one14226hundred seventy-five thousand and less than two hundred twenty-14227five thousand according to the most recent federal decennial14228census.14229

(ii) (b) An amusement park with an average yearly14230attendance in excess of two million guests is located in the14231county.14232

(iii) (c) On December 31, 2014, an excise tax was levied14233in the county under division (A) (1) (A) of this section at a14234rate of three per cent.14235

(b) (2) The board of county commissioners of a county to 14236 which this division (H) of this section applies, by resolution 14237 adopted by a majority of the members of the board, may increase 14238 the rate of the tax by not more than one per cent on 14239 transactions by which lodging by a hotel is or is to be 14240 furnished to transient quests. The increase in rate shall be 14241 used to pay the costs of constructing and maintaining facilities 14242 owned by the county or by a port authority created under Chapter 14243 4582. of the Revised Code, and designed to host sporting events 14244 and expenses deemed necessary by the convention and visitors' 14245 bureau operating in the county to promote travel and tourism 14246 with reference to the sports facilities, and to pay or pledge to 14247 the payment of debt service on securities issued to pay the 14248 costs of constructing, operating, and maintaining the sports 14249

facilities. The

(3) The increase in rate shall remain in effect for the 14251 period specified in the resolution. If revenue from the increase 14252 in rate is pledged to the payment of debt charges on securities, 14253 the increase in rate is not subject to diminution by initiative 14254 or referendum or by law for so long as the securities are 14255 outstanding, unless provision is made by law or by the board of 14256 county commissioners for an adequate substitute for that revenue 14257 that is satisfactory to the trustee if a trust agreement secures 14258 14259 payment of the debt charges. The-

(4) The increase in rate shall be subject to the14260regulations adopted under division (A) (1) (A) of this section,14261except that the resolution may provide that no portion of the14262revenue from the increase in the rate shall be returned to14263townships or municipal corporations as would otherwise be14264required under division (A) (1) (A) of this section.14265

(9) (1) (1) The board of county commissioners of a county 14266 with a population greater than seventy-five thousand and less 14267 than seventy-eight thousand, by resolution adopted by a majority 14268 of the members of the board not later than October 15, 2015, may 14269 increase the rate of the tax by not more than one per cent on 14270 transactions by which lodging by a hotel is or is to be 14271 furnished to transient quests. The increase in rate shall be for 14272 the purposes described in section 307.679 of the Revised Code or 14273 for the promotion of travel and tourism in the county, including 14274 travel and tourism to sports facilities. The 14275

(2) The increase in rate shall remain in effect for the14276period specified in the resolution and as necessary to fulfill14277the county's obligations under a cooperative agreement entered14278into under section 307.679 of the Revised Code. If the14279

resolution is adopted by the board before September 29, 2015, 14280 but after that enactment becomes law, the increase in rate shall 14281 become effective beginning on September 29, 2015. If revenue 14282 from the increase in rate is pledged to the payment of debt 14283 charges on securities, or to substitute for other revenues 14284 pledged to the payment of such debt, the increase in rate is not 14285 subject to diminution by initiative or referendum or by law for 14286 so long as the securities are outstanding, unless provision is 14287 made by law or by the board of county commissioners for an 14288 adequate substitute for that revenue that is satisfactory to the 14289 trustee if a trust agreement secures payment of the debt 14290 14291 charges. The-

(3) The increase in rate shall be subject to the14292regulations adopted under division (A) (1) (A) of this section,14293except that no portion of the revenue from the increase in the14294rate shall be returned to townships or municipal corporations as14295would otherwise be required under division (A) (1) (A) of this14296section.14297

(10) (J) (1) Division (A) (10) (J) of this section applies 14298 only to counties satisfying either of the following: 14299

(a) A county that, on July 1, 2015, does not levy an
excise tax under division (A) (1) (A) of this section and that
has a population of at least thirty-nine thousand but not more
than forty thousand according to the 2010 federal decennial
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census;

(b) A county that, on July 1, 2015, levies an excise tax 14305 under division (A) (1) (A) of this section at a rate of three per 14306 cent and that has a population of at least seventy-one thousand 14307 but not more than seventy-five thousand according to 2010 14308 federal decennial census. 14309

(2) The board of county commissioners of a county to which 14310 division  $\frac{(A)(10)}{(J)}$  (J) of this section applies, by resolution 14311 adopted by a majority of the members of the board, may levy an 14312 excise tax at a rate not to exceed three per cent on 14313 transactions by which lodging by a hotel is or is to be 14314 furnished to transient guests for the purpose of acquiring, 14315 constructing, equipping, or repairing permanent improvements, as 14316 defined in section 133.01 of the Revised Code. If 14317

(3) If the board does not levy a tax under division (A) (1) 14318 (A) of this section, the board shall establish regulations 14319 14320 necessary to provide for the administration of the tax, which may prescribe the time for payment of the tax and the imposition 14321 of penalty or interest subject to the limitations on penalty and 14322 interest provided in division  $\frac{(A)(1)}{(A)}$  (A) of this section. No 14323 portion of the revenue shall be returned to townships or 14324 municipal corporations in the county unless otherwise provided 14325 by resolution of the board. The-14326

(4) The tax shall apply throughout the territory of the14327county, including in any township or municipal corporation14328levying an excise tax under division (B) of this section or14329division (A) or (B) of section 5739.08 of the Revised Code. The14330levy of the tax is subject to referendum as provided under14331section 305.31 of the Revised Code.14332

(5) The tax shall remain in effect for the period14333specified in the resolution. If revenue from the increase in14334rate is pledged to the payment of debt charges on securities,14335the increase in rate is not subject to diminution by initiative14336or referendum or by law for so long as the securities are14337outstanding unless provision is made by law or by the board for14338an adequate substitute for that revenue that is satisfactory to14339

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the trustee if a trust agreement secures payment of the debt14340charges.14341(11) (K) (1) The board of county commissioners of an14342eligible county, as defined in section 307.678 of the Revised14343Code, that levies an excise tax under division (A) (1) (A) of14344this section on July 1, 2017, at a rate of three per cent may,14345

by resolution adopted by a majority of the members of the board, 14346 amend the resolution levying the tax to increase the rate of the 14347 tax by not more than an additional three per cent on each 14348 transaction. No-

(2) No portion of the revenue shall be returned to 14350 townships or municipal corporations in the county unless 14351 otherwise provided by resolution of the board. Otherwise, the 14352 revenue from the increase in the rate shall be distributed and 14353 used in the same manner described under division  $\frac{(A)(1)}{(A)}$  (A) of 14354 this section or distributed or used to provide credit 14355 enhancement facilities as authorized under section 307.678 of 14356 the Revised Code. The-14357

(3) The increase in rate shall remain in effect for the 14358 period specified in the resolution. If revenue from the increase 14359 in rate is pledged to the payment of debt charges on securities, 14360 the increase in rate is not subject to diminution by initiative 14361 or referendum or by law for so long as the securities are 14362 outstanding unless provision is made by law or by the board for 14363 an adequate substitute for that revenue that is satisfactory to 14364 the trustee if a trust agreement secures payment of the debt 14365 charges. 14366

 (12) (a) (L) (1) As used in this division (L) of this
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(i) (a) "Eligible county" means a county that has a14369population greater than one hundred ninety thousand and less14370than two hundred thousand according to the 2010 federal14371decennial census and that levies an excise tax under division14372(A) (1) (A) of this section at a rate of three per cent.14373

(ii) (b)"Professional sports facility" means a sports14374facility that is intended to house major or minor league14375professional athletic teams, including a stadium, together with14376all parking facilities, walkways, and other auxiliary14377facilities, real and personal property, property rights,14378easements, and interests that may be appropriate for, or used in14379connection with, the operation of the facility.14380

(b) (2) Subject to division (A) (12) (c) (L) (3) of this 14381 section, the board of county commissioners of an eligible 14382 county, by resolution adopted by a majority of the members of 14383 the board, may increase the rate of the tax by not more than one 14384 per cent on transactions by which lodging by a hotel is or is to 14385 be furnished to transient guests. Revenue from the increase in 14386 rate shall be used for the purposes of paying the costs of 14387 constructing, improving, and maintaining a professional sports 14388 facility in the county and paying expenses considered necessary 14389 by the convention and visitors' bureau operating in the county 14390 to promote travel and tourism with respect to that professional 14391 sports facility. The tax shall take effect only after the 14392 convention and visitors' bureau enters into a contract for the 14393 construction, improvement, or maintenance of a professional 14394 sports facility that is or will be located on property acquired, 14395 in whole or in part, with revenue from the increased rate, and 14396 thereafter shall remain in effect for the period specified in 14397 the resolution. If revenue from the increase in rate is pledged 14398 to the payment of debt charges on securities, the increase in 14399

rate is not subject to diminution by initiative or referendum or 14400 by law for so long as the securities are outstanding, unless a 14401 provision is made by law or by the board of county commissioners 14402 for an adequate substitute for that revenue that is satisfactory 14403 14404 to the trustee if a trust agreement secures payment of the debt charges. The increase in rate shall be subject to the 14405 regulations adopted under division  $\frac{(A)(1)}{(A)}$  (A) of this section, 14406 except that the resolution may provide that no portion of the 14407 revenue from the increase in the rate shall be returned to 14408 townships or municipal corporations as would otherwise be 14409 required under division (A) (1) (A) of this section. 14410

(c) (3) If, on December 31, 2019, the convention and14411visitors' bureau has not entered into a contract for the14412construction, improvement, or maintenance of a professional14413sports facility that is or will be located on property acquired,14414in whole or in part, with revenue from the increased rate, the14415authority to levy the tax under division (A) (12) (b) (L) (2) of14416this section is hereby repealed on that date.14417

(B) (1) The legislative authority of a municipal 14418 corporation or the board of trustees of a township that is not 14419 wholly or partly located in a county that has in effect a 14420 14421 resolution levying an excise tax pursuant to division (A) (1) of this section may, by ordinance or resolution, levy an excise tax 14422 14423 not to exceed three per cent on transactions by which lodging by a hotel is or is to be furnished to transient guests. The 14424 legislative authority of the municipal corporation or the board 14425 of trustees of the township shall deposit at least fifty per 14426 cent of the revenue from the tax levied pursuant to this 14427 division into a separate fund, which shall be spent solely to 14428 make contributions to convention and visitors' bureaus operating 14429 within the county in which the municipal corporation or township 14430

is wholly or partly located, and the balance of that revenue 14431 shall be deposited in the general fund. The municipal 14432 corporation or township shall establish all regulations-14433 necessary to provide for the administration and allocation of 14434 the tax. The regulations may prescribe the time for payment of 14435 the tax, and may provide for the imposition of a penalty or 14436 14437 interest, or both, for late payments, provided that the penalty 14438 does not exceed ten per cent of the amount of tax due, and the 14439 rate at which interest accrues does not exceed the rate perannum prescribed pursuant to section 5703.47 of the Revised 14440 Code. The levy of a tax under this division is in addition to 14441 any tax imposed on the same transaction by a municipal 14442 corporation or a township as authorized by division (A) of 14443 section 5739.08 of the Revised Code. 14444 14445 (2) (a) The legislative authority of the most populous municipal corporation located wholly or partly in a county in 14446 which the board of county commissioners has levied a tax under 14447 division (A) (4) of this section may amend, on or before-14448 14449 September 30, 2002, that municipal corporation's ordinance or resolution that levies an excise tax on transactions by which-14450 lodging by a hotel is or is to be furnished to transient guests, 14451 to provide for all of the following: 14452 (i) That the rate of the tax shall be increased by not 14453 more than an additional one per cent on each transaction; 14454 (ii) That all of the revenue from the increase in rate 14455

shall be pledged and contributed to a convention facilities14456authority established by the board of county commissioners under14457Chapter 351. of the Revised Code on or before May 15, 2002, and14458be used to pay costs of constructing, expanding, maintaining,14459operating, or promoting a convention center in the county,14460

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| including paying bonds, or notes issued in anticipation of       | 14461 |
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| bonds, as provided by that chapter;                              | 14462 |
| (iii) That the increase in rate shall not be subject to          | 14463 |
| diminution by initiative or referendum or by law while any       | 14464 |
| bonds, or notes in anticipation of bonds, issued by the          | 14465 |
| authority under Chapter 351. of the Revised Code to which the    | 14466 |
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| revenue is pledged, remain outstanding in accordance with their  | -     |
| terms, unless provision is made by law, by the board of county-  | 14468 |
| commissioners, or by the legislative authority, for an adequate  | 14469 |
| substitute therefor that is satisfactory to the trustee if a     | 14470 |
| trust agreement secures the bonds.                               | 14471 |
| (b) The legislative authority of a municipal corporation         | 14472 |
| that, pursuant to division (B)(2)(a) of this section, has-       | 14473 |
| amended its ordinance or resolution to increase the rate of the  | 14474 |
| tax authorized by division (B)(1) of this section may further    | 14475 |
| amend the ordinance or resolution to provide that the revenue    | 14476 |
| referred to in division (B)(2)(a)(ii) of this section shall be   | 14477 |
| pledged and contributed both to a convention facilities          | 14478 |
| authority to pay the costs of constructing, expanding,           | 14479 |
| maintaining, or operating one or more convention centers in the- | 14480 |
| county, including paying bonds, or notes issued in anticipation  | 14481 |
| of bonds, as provided in Chapter 351. of the Revised Code, and   | 14482 |
| to a convention and visitors' bureau to pay the costs of         | 14483 |
| promoting one or more convention centers in the county.          | 14484 |
| As used in division (B)(2) of this section, "cost" has the       | 14485 |
| same meaning as in section 351.01 of the Revised Code, and       | 14486 |
| "convention center" has the same meaning as in section 307.695-  | 14487 |
| of the Revised Code.   | 14488 |
| (3) The legislative authority of an eligible municipal           | 14489 |

corporation may amend, on or before December 31, 2017, that 14490

municipal corporation's ordinance or resolution that levies an-14491 excise tax on transactions by which lodging by a hotel is or is 14492 to be furnished to transient quests, to provide for the 14493 14494 following: (a) That the rate of the tax shall be increased by not-14495 more than an additional three per cent on each transaction; 14496 (b) That all of the revenue from the increase in rate 14497 shall be used by the municipal corporation for economic 14498 14499 development and tourism related purposes. As used in division (B)(3) of this section, "eligible 14500 municipal corporation" means a municipal corporation that, on 14501 the effective date of the amendment of this section by H.B. 49 14502 of the 132nd general assembly, September 29, 2017, levied a tax 14503 under division (B) (1) of this section at a rate of three per-14504 cent and that is located in a county that, on that date, levied 14505 a tax under division (A) of this section at a rate of three per 14506 cent and that has, according to the most recent federal 14507 decennial census, a population exceeding three hundred thousand 14508 but not greater than three hundred fifty thousand. 14509 (C) (M) (1) For the purposes described in section 307.695 14510 of the Revised Code and to cover the costs of administering the 14511 tax, a board of county commissioners of a county where a tax 14512 imposed under division  $\frac{(A)}{(1)}$  (A) of this section is in effect 14513 may, by resolution adopted within ninety days after July 15, 14514 1985, by a majority of the members of the board, levy an 14515 additional excise tax not to exceed three per cent on 14516 transactions by which lodging by a hotel is or is to be 14517 furnished to transient quests. The tax authorized by this 14518 division (M) of this section shall be in addition to any tax 14519 that is levied pursuant to division divisions (A) to (L) of this 14520

section, but it shall not apply to transactions subject to a tax 14521 levied by a municipal corporation or township pursuant to the 14522 authorization granted by division (A) of section 5739.08 of the 14523 Revised Code. The 14524

(2) The board shall establish all regulations necessary to 14525 provide for the administration and allocation of the tax. The 14526 regulations may prescribe the time for payment of the tax, and 14527 may provide for the imposition of a penalty or interest, or 14528 both, for late payments, provided that the penalty does not 14529 14530 exceed ten per cent of the amount of tax due, and the rate at which interest accrues does not exceed the rate per annum 14531 prescribed pursuant to section 5703.47 of the Revised Code. All 14532

(3) All revenues arising from the tax shall be expended in 14533 accordance with section 307.695 of the Revised Code. The board 14534 of county commissioners of an eligible county as defined in 14535 section 307.695 of the Revised Code may, by resolution adopted 14536 by a majority of the members of the board, amend the resolution 14537 levying a tax under this division to provide that the revenue 14538 from the tax shall be used by the board as described in division 14539 (H) of section 307.695 of the Revised Code. A-14540

(4) A tax imposed under this division shall remain in 14541 effect at the rate at which it is imposed for the duration of 14542 the period during which any agreement entered into by the board 14543 under section 307.695 of the Revised Code is in effect, the 14544 duration of the period during which any securities issued by the 14545 board under division (I) of section 307.695 of the Revised Code 14546 are outstanding, or the duration of the period during which the 14547 board owns a project as defined in section 307.695 of the 14548 Revised Code, whichever duration is longest. 14549

(D) (1) For the purpose of providing contributions 14550

under division (B)(1) of section 307.671 of the Revised Code to 14551 enable the acquisition, construction, and equipping of a port 14552 authority educational and cultural facility in the county and, 14553 to the extent provided for in the cooperative agreement 14554 authorized by that section, for the purpose of paying debt 14555 service charges on bonds, or notes in anticipation of bonds, 14556 described in division (B)(1)(b) of that section, a board of 14557 county commissioners, by resolution adopted within ninety days 14558 after December 22, 1992, by a majority of the members of the 14559 board, may levy an additional excise tax not to exceed one and 14560 one-half per cent on transactions by which lodging by a hotel is 14561 or is to be furnished to transient quests. The excise tax 14562 authorized by this division (N) of this section shall be in 14563 addition to any tax that is levied pursuant to divisions (A) $_{--}$ 14564 (B), and (C) to (M) of this section, to any excise tax levied 14565 pursuant to section 5739.08 of the Revised Code, and to any 14566 excise tax levied pursuant to section 351.021 of the Revised 14567 Code. The 14568

(2) The board of county commissioners shall establish all 14569 regulations necessary to provide for the administration and 14570 allocation of the tax that are not inconsistent with this 14571 section or section 307.671 of the Revised Code. The regulations 14572 may prescribe the time for payment of the tax, and may provide 14573 for the imposition of a penalty or interest, or both, for late 14574 payments, provided that the penalty does not exceed ten per cent 14575 of the amount of tax due, and the rate at which interest accrues 14576 does not exceed the rate per annum prescribed pursuant to 14577 section 5703.47 of the Revised Code. -All-14578

(3) All revenues arising from the tax shall be expended in 14579 accordance with section 307.671 of the Revised Code and division 14580 (D) (N) of this section. The levy of a tax imposed under this 14581

division (N) of this section may not commence prior to the first14582day of the month next following the execution of the cooperative14583agreement authorized by section 307.671 of the Revised Code by14584all parties to that agreement. The14585

(4) The tax shall remain in effect at the rate at which it is imposed for the period of time described in division (C) of section 307.671 of the Revised Code for which the revenue from the tax has been pledged by the county to the corporation pursuant to that section, but, to any extent provided for in the cooperative agreement, for no lesser period than the period of time required for payment of the debt service charges on bonds, or notes in anticipation of bonds, described in division (B)(1) (b) of that section.

(E) (0) (1) For the purpose of paying the costs of 14595 acquiring, constructing, equipping, and improving a municipal 14596 educational and cultural facility, including debt service 14597 charges on bonds provided for in division (B) of section 307.672 14598 of the Revised Code, and for any additional purposes determined 14599 by the county in the resolution levying the tax or amendments to 14600 the resolution, including subsequent amendments providing for 14601 paying costs of acquiring, constructing, renovating, 14602 14603 rehabilitating, equipping, and improving a port authority educational and cultural performing arts facility, as defined in 14604 section 307.674 of the Revised Code, and including debt service 14605 charges on bonds provided for in division (B) of section 307.674 14606 of the Revised Code, the legislative authority of a county, by 14607 resolution adopted within ninety days after June 30, 1993, by a 14608 majority of the members of the legislative authority, may levy 14609 an additional excise tax not to exceed one and one-half per cent 14610 on transactions by which lodging by a hotel is or is to be 14611 furnished to transient guests. The excise tax authorized by this 14612

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division (0) of this section shall be in addition to any tax14613that is levied pursuant to divisions (A), (B), (C), and (D) to14614(N) of this section, to any excise tax levied pursuant to14615section 5739.08 of the Revised Code, and to any excise tax14616levied pursuant to section 351.021 of the Revised Code. The14617

(2) The legislative authority of the county shall 14618 establish all regulations necessary to provide for the 14619 administration and allocation of the tax. The regulations may 14620 prescribe the time for payment of the tax, and may provide for 14621 14622 the imposition of a penalty or interest, or both, for late payments, provided that the penalty does not exceed ten per cent 14623 of the amount of tax due, and the rate at which interest accrues 14624 does not exceed the rate per annum prescribed pursuant to 14625 section 5703.47 of the Revised Code. All-14626

(3) All revenues arising from the tax shall be expended in 14627 accordance with section 307.672 of the Revised Code and this 14628 division. The levy of a tax imposed under this division shall 14629 not commence prior to the first day of the month next following 14630 the execution of the cooperative agreement authorized by section 14631 307.672 of the Revised Code by all parties to that agreement. 14632 The tax shall remain in effect at the rate at which it is 14633 imposed for the period of time determined by the legislative 14634 authority of the county. That period of time shall not exceed 14635 fifteen years, except that the legislative authority of a county 14636 with a population of less than two hundred fifty thousand 14637 according to the most recent federal decennial census, by 14638 resolution adopted by a majority of its members before the 14639 original tax expires, may extend the duration of the tax for an 14640 additional period of time. The additional period of time by 14641 which a legislative authority extends a tax levied under this 14642 division (0) of this section shall not exceed fifteen years. 14643

(F) (P) (1) The legislative authority of a county that has 14644 levied a tax under division (E) (0) of this section may, by 14645 resolution adopted within one hundred eighty days after January 14646 4, 2001, by a majority of the members of the legislative 14647 authority, amend the resolution levying a tax under that 14648 division to provide for the use of the proceeds of that tax, to 14649 the extent that it is no longer needed for its original purpose 14650 as determined by the parties to a cooperative agreement 14651 amendment pursuant to division (D) of section 307.672 of the 14652 Revised Code, to pay costs of acquiring, constructing, 14653 renovating, rehabilitating, equipping, and improving a port 14654 authority educational and cultural performing arts facility, 14655 including debt service charges on bonds provided for in division 14656 (B) of section 307.674 of the Revised Code, and to pay all 14657 obligations under any guaranty agreements, reimbursement 14658 agreements, or other credit enhancement agreements described in 14659 division (C) of section 307.674 of the Revised Code. The-14660

(2) The resolution may also provide for the extension of 14661 the tax at the same rate for the longer of the period of time 14662 determined by the legislative authority of the county, but not 14663 to exceed an additional twenty-five years, or the period of time 14664 required to pay all debt service charges on bonds provided for 14665 in division (B) of section 307.672 of the Revised Code and on 14666 port authority revenue bonds provided for in division (B) of 14667 section 307.674 of the Revised Code. All-14668

(3) All revenues arising from the amendment and extension14669of the tax shall be expended in accordance with section 307.67414670of the Revised Code, this division, and division (E) divisions14671(0) and (P) of this section.14672

(G) For purposes of a tax levied by a county, township, or 14673

municipal corporation under this section or section 5739.08 of 14674 the Revised Code, a board of county commissioners, board of 14675 township trustees, or the legislative authority of a municipal 14676 corporation may adopt a resolution or ordinance at any time-14677 specifying that "hotel," as otherwise defined in section 5739.01 14678 of the Revised Code, includes the following: 14679 (1) Establishments in which fewer than five rooms are used 14680 for the accommodation of guests. 14681 (2) Establishments at which rooms are used for the 14682 accommodation of quests regardless of whether each room is 14683 accessible through its own keyed entry or several rooms are 14684 accessible through the same keyed entry; and, in determining the 14685 number of rooms, all rooms are included regardless of the number-14686 of structures in which the rooms are situated or the number of 14687 parcels of land on which the structures are located if the 14688 structures are under the same ownership and the structures are 14689 not identified in advertisements of the accommodations as 14690 distinct establishments. For the purposes of division (G)(2) of 14691 this section, two or more structures are under the same 14692 14693 ownership if they are owned by the same person, or if they are owned by two or more persons the majority of the ownership 14694 14695 interests of which are owned by the same person. The resolution or ordinance may apply to a tax imposed 14696 pursuant to this section prior to the adoption of the resolution-14697 or ordinance if the resolution or ordinance so states, but the 14698 tax shall not apply to transactions by which lodging by such an-14699 establishment is provided to transient quests prior to the 14700 adoption of the resolution or ordinance. 14701 (H) (1) (Q) (1) As used in this division (Q) of this 14702 14703 section:

(a) "Convention facilities authority" has the same meaning14704as in section 351.01 of the Revised Code.14705

(b) "Convention center" has the same meaning as in section 14706 307.695 of the Revised Code. 14707

(2) Notwithstanding any contrary provision of division (D)-14708 (N) of this section, the legislative authority of a county with 14709 a population of one million or more according to the most recent 14710 federal decennial census that has levied a tax under division 14711 (D) of this section may, by resolution adopted by a majority 14712 of the members of the legislative authority, provide for the 14713 extension of such levy and may provide that the proceeds of that 14714 tax, to the extent that they are no longer needed for their 14715 original purpose as defined by a cooperative agreement entered 14716 into under section 307.671 of the Revised Code, shall be 14717 deposited into the county general revenue fund. The resolution 14718 shall provide for the extension of the tax at a rate not to 14719 exceed the rate specified in division  $\frac{(D)}{(N)}$  of this section 14720 for a period of time determined by the legislative authority of 14721 the county, but not to exceed an additional forty years. 14722

(3) The legislative authority of a county with a 14723 population of one million or more that has levied a tax under 14724 division (A)(1) of this section may, by resolution adopted 14725 by a majority of the members of the legislative authority, 14726 increase the rate of the tax levied by such county under 14727 division  $\frac{(A)(1)}{(A)}$  of this section to a rate not to exceed five 14728 per cent on transactions by which lodging by a hotel is or is to 14729 be furnished to transient guests. Notwithstanding any contrary 14730 provision of division  $\frac{A}{A}$  (1) - (A) of this section, the resolution 14731 may provide that all collections resulting from the rate levied 14732 in excess of three per cent, after deducting the real and actual 14733 costs of administering the tax, shall be deposited in the county general fund.

(4) The legislative authority of a county with a 14736 population of one million or more that has levied a tax under 14737 division  $\frac{(A)(1)}{(A)}$  of this section may, by resolution adopted 14738 on or before August 30, 2004, by a majority of the members of 14739 the legislative authority, provide that all or a portion of the 14740 proceeds of the tax levied under division  $\frac{(A)(1)}{(A)}$  (A) of this 14741 section, after deducting the real and actual costs of 14742 administering the tax and the amounts required to be returned to 14743 townships and municipal corporations with respect to the first 14744 three per cent levied under division  $\frac{(A)}{(1)}$  (A) of this section, 14745 shall be deposited in the county general fund, provided that 14746 such proceeds shall be used to satisfy any pledges made in 14747 connection with an agreement entered into under section 307.695 14748 of the Revised Code. 14749

(5) No amount collected from a tax levied, extended, or 14750 required to be deposited in the county general fund under 14751 division  $\frac{(H)}{(Q)}$  of this section shall be contributed to a 14752 convention facilities authority, corporation, or other entity 14753 created after July 1, 2003, for the principal purpose of 14754 14755 constructing, improving, expanding, equipping, financing, or operating a convention center unless the mayor of the municipal 14756 corporation in which the convention center is to be operated by 14757 that convention facilities authority, corporation, or other 14758 entity has consented to the creation of that convention 14759 facilities authority, corporation, or entity. Notwithstanding 14760 any contrary provision of section 351.04 of the Revised Code, if 14761 a tax is levied by a county under division  $\frac{(H)}{(Q)}$  of this 14762 section, the board of county commissioners of that county may 14763 determine the manner of selection, the qualifications, the 14764

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number, and terms of office of the members of the board of14765directors of any convention facilities authority, corporation,14766or other entity described in division (H) (5) (Q) (5) of this14767section.14768

(6) (a) No amount collected from a tax levied, extended, or 14769 required to be deposited in the county general fund under 14770 division (H) (Q) of this section may be used for any purpose 14771 other than paying the direct and indirect costs of constructing, 14772 improving, expanding, equipping, financing, or operating a 14773 convention center and for the real and actual costs of 14774 administering the tax, unless, prior to the adoption of the 14775 resolution of the legislative authority of the county 14776 authorizing the levy, extension, increase, or deposit, the 14777 county and the mayor of the most populous municipal corporation 14778 in that county have entered into an agreement as to the use of 14779 such amounts, provided that such agreement has been approved by 14780 a majority of the mayors of the other municipal corporations in 14781 that county. The agreement shall provide that the amounts to be 14782 used for purposes other than paying the convention center or 14783 administrative costs described in division (H)(6)(a)(0)(6)(a) 14784 of this section be used only for the direct and indirect costs 14785 of capital improvements, including the financing of capital 14786 14787 improvements.

(b) If the county in which the tax is levied has an 14788
association of mayors and city managers, the approval of that 14789
association of an agreement described in division (H) (6) (a) (Q) 14790
(6) (a) of this section shall be considered to be the approval of 14791
the majority of the mayors of the other municipal corporations 14792
for purposes of that division. 14793

(7) Each year, the auditor of state shall conduct an audit

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of the uses of any amounts collected from taxes levied, 14795 extended, or deposited under division (H) (Q) of this section 14796 and shall prepare a report of the auditor of state's findings. 14797 The auditor of state shall submit the report to the legislative 14798 authority of the county that has levied, extended, or deposited 14799 the tax, the speaker of the house of representatives, the 14800 14801 president of the senate, and the leaders of the minority parties of the house of representatives and the senate. 14802

 (I) (1) (R) (1) As used in this division (R) of this
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 section:
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(a) "Convention facilities authority" has the same meaning14805as in section 351.01 of the Revised Code.14806

(b) "Convention center" has the same meaning as in section14807307.695 of the Revised Code.14808

(2) Notwithstanding any contrary provision of division (D)-14809 (N) of this section, the legislative authority of a county with 14810 a population of one million two hundred thousand or more 14811 according to the most recent federal decennial census or the 14812 most recent annual population estimate published or released by 14813 14814 the United States census bureau at the time the resolution is adopted placing the levy on the ballot, that has levied a tax 14815 under division (D) of this section may, by resolution 14816 adopted by a majority of the members of the legislative 14817 authority, provide for the extension of such levy and may 14818 provide that the proceeds of that tax, to the extent that the 14819 proceeds are no longer needed for their original purpose as 14820 defined by a cooperative agreement entered into under section 14821 307.671 of the Revised Code and after deducting the real and 14822 actual costs of administering the tax, shall be used for paying 14823 the direct and indirect costs of constructing, improving, 14824

expanding, equipping, financing, or operating a convention14825center. The resolution shall provide for the extension of the14826tax at a rate not to exceed the rate specified in division (D)14827(N) of this section for a period of time determined by the14828legislative authority of the county, but not to exceed an14829additional forty years.14830

(3) The legislative authority of a county with a 14831 population of one million two hundred thousand or more that has 14832 levied a tax under division  $\frac{(A)(1)}{(A)}$  of this section may, by 14833 resolution adopted by a majority of the members of the 14834 legislative authority, increase the rate of the tax levied by 14835 such county under division  $\frac{(A)}{(A)} \frac{(A)}{(A)}$  of this section to a rate 14836 not to exceed five per cent on transactions by which lodging by 14837 a hotel is or is to be furnished to transient quests. 14838 Notwithstanding any contrary provision of division  $\frac{(A)(1)}{(A)}$  of 14839 this section, the resolution shall provide that all collections 14840 resulting from the rate levied in excess of three per cent, 14841 after deducting the real and actual costs of administering the 14842 tax, shall be used for paying the direct and indirect costs of 14843 constructing, improving, expanding, equipping, financing, or 14844 operating a convention center. 14845

14846 (4) The legislative authority of a county with a population of one million two hundred thousand or more that has 14847 levied a tax under division  $\frac{(A)}{(1)}$  (A) of this section may, by 14848 resolution adopted on or before July 1, 2008, by a majority of 14849 the members of the legislative authority, provide that all or a 14850 portion of the proceeds of the tax levied under division (A) (1) 14851 (A) of this section, after deducting the real and actual costs 14852 of administering the tax and the amounts required to be returned 14853 to townships and municipal corporations with respect to the 14854 first three per cent levied under division (A) (1) (A) of this 14855

section, shall be used to satisfy any pledges made in connection 14856 with an agreement entered into under section 307.695 of the 14857 Revised Code or shall otherwise be used for paying the direct 14858 and indirect costs of constructing, improving, expanding, 14859 equipping, financing, or operating a convention center. 14860

(5) Any amount collected from a tax levied or extended 14861 under division  $\frac{(I)}{(I)}$  of this section may be contributed to a 14862 convention facilities authority created before July 1, 2005, but 14863 no amount collected from a tax levied or extended under division 14864 (I) (R) of this section may be contributed to a convention 14865 facilities authority, corporation, or other entity created after 14866 July 1, 2005, unless the mayor of the municipal corporation in 14867 which the convention center is to be operated by that convention 14868 facilities authority, corporation, or other entity has consented 14869 to the creation of that convention facilities authority, 14870 14871 corporation, or entity.

(J) (1) Except as provided in division (J) (2) of this 14872 14873 section, money collected by a county and distributed under this section to a convention and visitors' bureau in existence as of 14874 June 30, 2013, the effective date of H.B. 59 of the 130th-14875 14876 general assembly, except for any such money pledged, as of that effective date, to the payment of debt service charges on bonds, 14877 notes, securities, or lease agreements, shall be used solely for 14878 14879 tourism sales, marketing and promotion, and their associated costs, including, but not limited to, operational and 14880 administrative costs of the bureau, sales and marketing, and 14881 maintenance of the physical bureau structure. 14882

| (2) A convention and visitors' bureau that has entered          | 14883 |
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| into an agreement under section 307.678 of the Revised Code may | 14884 |
| use revenue it receives from a tax levied under division (A)(1) | 14885 |

of this section as described in division (E) of section 307.678 14886 of the Revised Code. 14887 (K) (S) As used in division (S) of this section, 14888 "soldiers' memorial" means a memorial constructed and funded 14889 under Chapter 345. of the Revised Code. 14890 The board of county commissioners of a county with a 14891 population between one hundred three thousand and one hundred 14892 seven thousand according to the most recent federal decennial 14893 census, by resolution adopted by a majority of the members of 14894 the board within six months after September 15, 2014, the-14895 effective date of H.B. 483 of the 130th general assembly, may 14896 levy a tax not to exceed three per cent on transactions by which 14897 a hotel is or is to be furnished to transient quests. The 14898 purpose of the tax shall be to pay the costs of expanding, 14899 maintaining, or operating a soldiers' memorial and the costs of 14900 administering the tax. All revenue arising from the tax shall be 14901 credited to one or more special funds in the county treasury and 14902 shall be spent solely for the purposes of paying those costs. 14903 <del>The</del> 14904 The board of county commissioners shall adopt all rules 14905 necessary to provide for the administration of the tax subject 14906 to the same limitations on imposing penalty or interest under 14907 division (A) (1) (A) of this section. 14908 As used in this division "soldiers' memorial" means a 14909 memorial constructed and funded under Chapter 345. of the 14910 Revised Code. 14911 (L) (T) As used in division (T) of this section, "eligible 14912 county" means a county in which a county agricultural society or 14913 independent agricultural society is organized under section 14914

| 1711.01 or 1711.02 of the Revised Code, provided the          | 14915 |
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| agricultural society owns a facility or site in the county at | 14916 |
| which an annual harness horse race is conducted where one-day | 14917 |
| attendance equals at least forty thousand attendees.          | 14918 |
| A board of county commissioners of an eligible county, by     | 14919 |
| resolution adopted by a majority of the members of the board, | 14920 |
| may levy an excise tax at the rate of up to three per cent on | 14921 |
| transactions by which lodging by a hotel is or is to be       | 14922 |
| furnished to transient guests for the purpose of paying the   | 14923 |
| costs of permanent improvements at sites at which one or more | 14924 |
| agricultural societies conduct fairs or exhibits, paying the  | 14925 |

costs of maintaining or operating such permanent improvements, 14926 and paying the costs of administering the tax. A 14927

<u>A</u>resolution adopted under this division (T) of this 14928 section, other than a resolution that only extends the period of 14929 time for which the tax is levied, shall direct the board of 14930 elections to submit the question of the proposed lodging tax to 14931 the electors of the county at a special election held on the 14932 date specified by the board in the resolution, provided that the 14933 election occurs not less than ninety days after a certified copy 14934 of the resolution is transmitted to the board of elections. A 14935 resolution submitted to the electors under this division (T) of 14936 this section shall not go into effect unless it is approved by a 14937 majority of those voting upon it. The resolution takes effect on 14938 the date the board of county commissioners receives notification 14939 from the board of elections of an affirmative vote. 14940

The tax shall remain in effect for the period specified in14941the resolution, not to exceed five years, and may be extended14942for an additional period of time not to exceed fifteen years14943thereafter by a resolution adopted by a majority of the members14944

of the board. A resolution extending the period of time for 14945 which the tax is in effect is not subject to approval of the 14946 electors of the county, but is subject to referendum under 14947 sections 305.31 to 305.99 of the Revised Code. All revenue 14948 arising from the tax shall be credited to one or more special 14949 funds in the county treasury and shall be spent solely for the 14950 purposes of paying the costs of such permanent improvements and 14951 maintaining or operating the improvements. Revenue allocated for 14952 the use of a county agricultural society may be credited to the 14953 county agricultural society fund created in section 1711.16 of 14954 the Revised Code upon appropriation by the board. If revenue is 14955 credited to that fund, it shall be expended only as provided in 14956 that section. 14957

The board of county commissioners shall adopt all rules 14958 necessary to provide for the administration of the tax. The 14959 rules may prescribe the time for payment of the tax, and may 14960 provide for the imposition or penalty or interest, or both, for 14961 late payments, provided that the penalty does not exceed ten per 14962 14963 cent of the amount of tax due, and the rate at which interest accrues does not exceed the rate per annum prescribed in section 14964 5703.47 of the Revised Code. 14965

As used in this division, "eligible county" means a county14966in which a county agricultural society or independent14967agricultural society is organized under section 1711.01 or149681711.02 of the Revised Code, provided the agricultural society14969owns a facility or site in the county at which an annual harness14970horse race is conducted where one-day attendance equals at least1497114972

(M) (U) As used in this division (U) of this section, 14973 "eligible county" means a county in which a tax is levied under 14974

division (A) of this section at a rate of three per cent and14975whose territory includes a part of Lake Erie the shoreline of14976which represents at least fifty per cent of the linear length of14977the county's border with other counties of this state.14978

The board of county commissioners of an eligible county 14979 that has entered into an agreement with a port authority in the 14980 county under section 4582.56 of the Revised Code may levy an 14981 additional lodging tax on transactions by which lodging by a 14982 hotel is or is to be furnished to transient quests for the 14983 14984 purpose of financing lakeshore improvement projects constructed 14985 or financed by the port authority under that section. The resolution levying the tax shall specify the purpose of the tax, 14986 the rate of the tax, which shall not exceed two per cent, and 14987 the number of years the tax will be levied or that it will be 14988 levied for a continuing period of time. The tax shall be 14989 administered pursuant to the regulations adopted by the board 14990 under division (A) of this section, except that all the proceeds 14991 of the tax levied under this division shall be pledged to the 14992 payment of the costs, including debt charges, of lakeshore 14993 improvements undertaken by a port authority pursuant to the 14994 agreement under section 4582.56 of the Revised Code. No revenue 14995 from the tax may be used to pay the current expenses of the port 14996 14997 authority.

A resolution levying a tax under this division (U) of this14998section is subject to referendum under sections 305.31 to 305.4114999and 305.99 of the Revised Code.15000

(N) (1) (a) (V) (1) As used in division (V) of this section:15001(a) "Tourism development district" means a district15002designated by a municipal corporation under section 715.014 of15003the Revised Code or by a township under section 503.56 of the15004

Revised Code. 15005 (b) "Lodging tax" means a tax levied pursuant to this 15006 section or section 5739.08 of the Revised Code. 15007 (c) "Tourism development district lodging tax proceeds" 15008 means all proceeds of a lodging tax derived from transactions by 1,5009 which lodging by a hotel located in a tourism development 15010 district is or is to be provided to transient guests. 15011 (d) "Eligible county" has the same meaning as in section 15012 307.678 of the Revised Code. 15013 (2) (a) Notwithstanding division (A) of this section, the 15014 15015 board of county commissioners, board of township trustees, or legislative authority of any county, township, or municipal 15016 corporation that levies a lodging tax on September 29, 2017, and 15017 in which any part of a tourism development district is located 15018 on or after that date shall amend the ordinance or resolution 15019 levying the tax to require either of the following: 15020 (i) In the case of a tax levied by a county, that all 15021

tourism development district lodging tax proceeds from that tax 15021 be used exclusively to foster and develop tourism in the tourism 15023 development district; 15024

(ii) In the case of a tax levied by a township or
municipal corporation, that all tourism development district
lodging tax proceeds from that tax be used exclusively to foster
and develop tourism in the tourism development district.

(b) Notwithstanding division (A) of this section, any
ordinance or resolution levying a lodging tax adopted on or
after September 29, 2017, by a county, township, or municipal
corporation in which any part of a tourism development district
is located on or after that date shall require that all tourism

development district lodging tax proceeds from that tax be used15034exclusively to foster and develop tourism in the tourism15035development district.15036

(c) A county shall not use any of the proceeds described 15037 in division <del>(N) (1) (a) (i) <u>(V) (2) (a) (i)</u> or <del>(N) (1) (b) <u>(V) (2) (b)</u> of</del></del> 15038 this section unless the convention and visitors' bureau 15039 operating within the county approves the manner in which such 15040 proceeds are used to foster and develop tourism in the tourism 15041 development district. Upon obtaining such approval, the county 15042 15043 may pay such proceeds to the bureau to use for the agreed-upon 15044 purpose.

A municipal corporation or township shall not use any of the proceeds described in division (N)(1)(a)(ii) - (V)(2)(a)(ii)or (N)(1)(b) - (V)(2)(b) of this section unless the convention and visitors' bureau operating within the municipal corporation or township approves the manner in which such proceeds are used to foster and develop tourism in the tourism development district. Upon obtaining such approval, the municipal corporation or township may pay such proceeds to the bureau to use for the agreed-upon purpose.

 $\frac{(2)(a)}{(3)(a)}$  Notwithstanding division (A) of this 15054 section, the board of county commissioners of an eligible county 15055 that levies a lodging tax on March 23, 2018, may amend the 15056 resolution levying that tax to require that all or a portion of 15057 the proceeds of that tax otherwise required to be spent solely 15058 to make contributions to the convention and visitors' bureau 15059 operating within the county shall be used to foster and develop 15060 tourism in a tourism development district. 15061

(b) Notwithstanding division (A) of this section, theboard of county commissioners of an eligible county that adopts15063

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a resolution levying a lodging tax on or after March 23, 2018, 15064 may require that all or a portion of the proceeds of that tax 15065 otherwise required to be spent solely to make contributions to 15066 the convention and visitors' bureau operating within the county 15067 pursuant to division (A) of this section shall be used to foster 15068 and develop tourism in a tourism development district. 15069

(c) A county shall not use any of the proceeds in the 15070
manner described in division (N) (2) (a) (V) (3) (a) or (b) of this 15071
section unless the convention and visitors' bureau operating 15072
within the county approves the manner in which such proceeds are 15073
used to foster and develop tourism in the tourism development 15074
district. Upon obtaining such approval, the county may pay such 15075
proceeds to the bureau to use for the agreed upon purpose. 15076

(3) As used in division (N) of this section:

(a) "Tourism development district" means a district15078designated by a municipal corporation under section 715.014 of15079the Revised Code or by a township under section 503.56 of the15080Revised Code.15081

(b) "Lodging tax" means a tax levied pursuant to this15082section or section 5739.08 of the Revised Code.15083

(c) "Tourism development district lodging tax proceeds"15084means all proceeds of a lodging tax derived from transactions by15085which lodging by a hotel located in a tourism development15086district is or is to be provided to transient guests.15087

(d) "Eligible county" has the same meaning as in section15088307.678 of the Revised Code.15089

Sec. 5739.091. (A) For the purposes of a tax levied by a15090county, township, or municipal corporation under section 5739.0815091or 5739.09 of the Revised Code, a board of county commissioners,15092

| board of township trustees, or the legislative authority of a    | 15093 |
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| municipal corporation may adopt a resolution or ordinance at any | 15094 |
| time specifying that "hotel," as otherwise defined in section    | 15095 |
| 5739.01 of the Revised Code, includes the following:             | 15096 |
| (1) Establishments in which fewer than five rooms are used       | 15097 |
| for the accommodation of guests;                                 | 15098 |
| (2) Establishments at which rooms are used for the               | 15099 |
| accommodation of guests regardless of whether each room is       | 15100 |
| accessible through its own keyed entry or several rooms are      | 15101 |
| accessible through the same keyed entry; and, in determining the | 15102 |
| number of rooms, all rooms are included regardless of the number | 15103 |
| of structures in which the rooms are situated or the number of   | 15104 |
| parcels of land on which the structures are located if the       | 15105 |
| structures are under the same ownership and the structures are   | 15106 |
| not identified in advertisements of the accommodations as        | 15107 |
| distinct establishments. For the purposes of division (A)(2) of  | 15108 |
| this section, two or more structures are under the same          | 15109 |
| ownership if they are owned by the same person, or if they are   | 15110 |
| owned by two or more persons the majority of the ownership       | 15111 |
| interests of which are owned by the same person.                 | 15112 |
| (B) The resolution or ordinance may apply to a tax imposed       | 15113 |
| pursuant to section 5739.08 or 5739.09 of the Revised Code prior | 15114 |
| to the adoption of the resolution or ordinance if the resolution | 15115 |
| or ordinance so states, but the tax shall not apply to           | 15116 |
| transactions by which lodging by such an establishment is        | 15117 |
| provided to transient guests prior to the adoption of the        | 15118 |
| resolution or ordinance.   | 15119 |
| Sec. 5739.092. (A) Except as provided in division (B) of         | 15120 |
| this section, money collected by a county and distributed under  | 15121 |
| section 5739.09 of the Revised Code to a convention and          | 15122 |

| visitors' bureau in existence as of June 30, 2013, except for    | 15123 |
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| any such money pledged, as of that date, to the payment of debt  | 15124 |
| service charges on bonds, notes, securities, or lease            | 15125 |
| agreements, shall be used solely for tourism sales, marketing    | 15126 |
| and promotion, and their associated costs, including operational | 15127 |
| and administrative costs of the bureau, sales and marketing, and | 15128 |
| maintenance of the physical bureau structure.                    | 15129 |
| (B) A convention and visitors' bureau that has entered           | 15130 |
| into an agreement under section 307.678 of the Revised Code may  | 15131 |
| use revenue it receives from a tax levied under division (A) of  | 15132 |
| section 5739.09 of the Revised Code as described in division (E) | 15133 |
| of section 307.678 of the Revised Code.                          | 15134 |
| Sec. 5739.21. (A) One hundred per cent of all money              | 15135 |
| deposited into the state treasury under sections 5739.01 to      | 15136 |
| 5739.31 of the Revised Code that is not required to be           | 15137 |
| distributed as provided in section 5739.102 of the Revised Code  | 15138 |
| or division (B) of this section shall be credited to the general | 15139 |
| revenue fund.  | 15140 |
| (B)(1) In any case where any county or transit authority         | 15141 |
| has levied a tax or taxes pursuant to section 5739.021,          | 15142 |
| 5739.023, or 5739.026 of the Revised Code, the tax commissioner  | 15143 |
| shall, within forty-five days after the end of each month,       | 15144 |
| determine and certify to the director of budget and management   | 15145 |
| the amount of the proceeds of such tax or taxes received during  | 15146 |
| that month from billings and assessments, or associated with tax | 15147 |
| returns or reports filed during that month, to be returned to    | 15148 |
| the county or transit authority levying the tax or taxes. The    | 15149 |
| amount to be returned to each county and transit authority shall | 15150 |
| be a fraction of the aggregate amount of money collected with    | 15151 |
| respect to each area in which one or more of such taxes are      | 15152 |
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concurrently in effect with the tax levied by section 5739.02 of 15153 the Revised Code. The numerator of the fraction is the rate of 15154 the tax levied by the county or transit authority and the 15155 denominator of the fraction is the aggregate rate of such taxes 15156 applicable to such area. The amount to be returned to each 15157 county or transit authority shall be reduced by the amount of 15158 15159 any refunds of county or transit authority tax paid pursuant to section 5739.07 of the Revised Code during the same month, or 15160 transfers made pursuant to division (B)(2) of section 5703.052 15161 of the Revised Code. 15162

(2) On a periodic basis, using the best information 15163 available, the tax commissioner shall distribute any amount of a 15164 county or transit authority tax that cannot be distributed under 15165 division (B)(1) of this section. Through audit or other means, 15166 the commissioner shall attempt to obtain the information 15167 necessary to make the distribution as provided under that 15168 division and, on receipt of that information, shall make 15169 adjustments to distributions previously made under this 15170 division. 15171

(3) Beginning July 1, 2008, eight Eight and thirty-three 15172 one-hundredths of one per cent of the revenue collected from the 15173 tax due under division (A) of section 5739.029 of the Revised 15174 Code shall be distributed to the county where the sale of the 15175 motor vehicle is sitused under section 5739.035 5739.033 of the 15176 Revised Code. The amount to be so distributed to the county 15177 shall be apportioned on the basis of the rates of taxes the 15178 county levies pursuant to sections 5739.021 and 5739.026 of the 15179 Revised Code, as applicable, and shall be credited to the funds 15180 of the county as provided in divisions (A) and (B) of section 15181 5739.211 of the Revised Code. 15182

(C) The aggregate amount to be returned to any county or 15183 transit authority shall be reduced by one per cent, which shall 15184 be certified directly to the credit of the local sales tax 15185 administrative fund, which is hereby created in the state 15186 treasury. For the purpose of determining the amount to be 15187 returned to a county and transit authority in which the rate of 15188 15189 tax imposed by the transit authority has been reduced under section 5739.028 of the Revised Code, the tax commissioner shall 15190 use the respective rates of tax imposed by the county or transit 15191 authority that results from the change in the rates authorized 15192 under that section. 15193

(D) The director of budget and management shall transfer, 15194 from the same funds and in the same proportions specified in 15195 division (A) of this section, to the permissive tax distribution 15196 fund created by division (B)(1) of section 4301.423 of the 15197 Revised Code and to the local sales tax administrative fund, the 15198 amounts certified by the tax commissioner. The tax commissioner 15199 shall then, on or before the twentieth day of the month in which 15200 15201 such certification is made, provide for payment of such respective amounts to the county treasurer and to the fiscal 15202 officer of the transit authority levying the tax or taxes. The 15203 amount transferred to the local sales tax administrative fund is 15204 for use by the tax commissioner in defraying costs incurred in 15205 administering such taxes levied by a county or transit 15206 authority. 15207

Sec. 5740.02. (A) (1) The state of Ohio shall participate 15208 in discussions with other states regarding the development of a 15209 streamlined sales and use tax system to reduce the burden and 15210 cost for all sellers to collect this state's sales and use 15211 taxes. 15212

(2) Subject to division (B) of this section, the state 15213 also shall participate in meetings of the implementing states or 15214 the governing board of the agreement to review, amend, or 15215 administer the terms of the agreement to simplify and modernize 15216 sales and use tax administration that embodies the requirements 15217 set forth in section 5740.05 of the Revised Code. For purposes 15218 of these meetings, the state shall be represented by three 15219 delegates. The tax commissioner or the commissioner's designee 15220 shall be the chairperson of the delegation. The other delegates 15221 shall be one delegate chosen by the speaker of the house of 15222 representatives and one delegate chosen by the president of the 15223 senate. In all matters where voting by the member states or the 15224 governing board is required to amend the agreement, the 15225 chairperson, based on the votes of the majority of the 15226 delegation, shall cast this state's vote. 15227

(B) The state shall not participate in the meetings of the 15228 implementing states or the governing board referred to in 15229 division (A)(2) of this section unless the meetings are 15230 conducted in accordance with requirements substantially similar 15231 to those described in divisions (C) and (F) of section 121.22 of 15232 the Revised Code, as if the participants of the meetings were a 15233 public body as defined in that section, except such meetings may 15234 be closed during any discussion pertaining to proprietary 15235 information of a person if the person so requests, personnel 15236 matters, competitive bidding, certification of service 15237 providers, or matters substantially similar to those described 15238 in <u>divisions division</u> (G)(2), (3), or (5) of section 121.22 of 15239 the Revised Code. The state may participate in teleconferences, 15240 special meetings, meetings of working groups, committees, or 1.52.41 steering committees if they are conducted in accordance with the 15242 public participation rules applicable to such meetings, as 15243

established by the implementing states entitled to participate 15244 in discussions to finalize the agreement, or the governing 15245 board. 15246

(C) As used in this section:

(1) "Meetings of the implementing states" means meetings
of the entire body of the states that are entitled to
participate in discussions to finalize the agreement because
they have enacted legislation based on the uniform sales and use
tax administration act, approved January 24, 2001, or the
simplified sales and use tax administration act, approved
January 27, 2001.

(2) "Governing board" means the board that, under the 15255
terms of the agreement, is responsible for the administration 15256
and operation of the agreement. 15257

Sec. 5743.05. The tax commissioner shall sell all stamps 15258 provided for by section 5743.03 of the Revised Code. The stamps 15259 shall be sold at their face value, except the commissioner 15260 shall, by rule, authorize the sale of stamps to wholesale 15261 dealers in this state, or to wholesale dealers outside this 15262 state, at a discount of not less than one and eight-tenths per 15263 cent or more than ten per cent of their face value, as a 15264 commission for affixing and canceling the stamps. 15265

The commissioner, by rule, shall authorize the delivery of15266stamps to wholesale dealers in this state and to wholesale15267dealers outside this state on credit. If such a dealer has not15268been in good credit standing with this state for five15269consecutive years preceding the purchase, the commissioner shall15270require the dealer to file with the commissioner a bond to the15271state in the amount and in the form prescribed by the15272

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commissioner, with surety to the satisfaction of the 15273 commissioner, conditioned on payment to the treasurer of state 15274 or the commissioner within thirty days or the following twenty-15275 third day of June, whichever comes first for stamps delivered 15276 within that time. If such a dealer has been in good credit 15277 standing with this state for five consecutive years preceding 15278 the purchase, the commissioner shall not require that the dealer 15279 file such a bond but shall require payment for the stamps within 15280 thirty days after purchase of the stamps or the following 15281 twenty-third day of June, whichever comes first. Stamps sold to 15282 a dealer not required to file a bond shall be sold at face 15283 value. The maximum amount that may be sold on credit to a dealer 15284 not required to file a bond shall equal one hundred ten per cent 15285 of the dealer's average monthly purchases over the preceding 15286 calendar year. The maximum amount shall be adjusted to reflect 15287 any changes in the tax rate and may be adjusted, upon 15288 application to the commissioner by the dealer, to reflect 15289 changes in the business operations of the dealer. The maximum 1.52.90 amount shall be applicable to the period between the first day 15291 of July to the following twenty-third day of June. Payment by a 15292 dealer not required to file a bond shall be remitted by 15293 electronic funds transfer as prescribed by section 5743.051 of 15294 the Revised Code. If a dealer not required to file a bond fails 15295 to make the payment in full within the required payment period, 15296 the commissioner shall not thereafter sell stamps to that dealer 15297 until the dealer pays the outstanding amount, including penalty 15298 and interest on that amount as prescribed in this chapter, and 15299 the commissioner thereafter may require the dealer to file a 15300 bond until the dealer is restored to good standing. The 15301 commissioner shall limit delivery of stamps on credit to the 15302 period running from the first day of July of the fiscal year 15303 until the twenty-third day of the following June. Any discount 15304

allowed as a commission for affixing and canceling stamps shall 15305 be allowed with respect to sales of stamps on credit. 15306

The commissioner shall redeem and pay for any destroyed, 15307 unused, or spoiled tax stamps at their net value, and shall 15308 refund to wholesale dealers the net amount of state and county 15309 taxes paid erroneously or paid on cigarettes that have been sold 15310 in interstate or foreign commerce or that have become unsalable, 15311 and the net amount of county taxes that were paid on cigarettes 15312 that have been sold at retail or for retail sale outside a 15313 15314 taxing county.

An application for a refund of tax shall be filed with the 15315 commissioner, on the form prescribed by the commissioner for 15316 that purpose, within three years from the date the tax stamps 15317 are destroyed or spoiled, from the date of the erroneous 15318 payment, or from the date that cigarettes on which taxes have 15319 been paid have been sold in interstate or foreign commerce or 15320 have become unsalable. 15321

On the filing of the application, the commissioner shall 15322 determine the amount of refund to which the applicant is 15323 entitled, payable from receipts of the state tax, and, if 15324 applicable, payable from receipts of a county tax. If the amount 15325 is <u>not</u> less than that claimed, the commissioner shall certify 15326 the amount to the director of budget and management and 15327 treasurer of state for payment from the tax refund fund created 15328 by section 5703.052 of the Revised Code. If the amount is less 15329 than that claimed, the commissioner shall proceed in accordance 15330 with section 5703.70 of the Revised Code. 15331

If a refund is granted for payment of an illegal or15332erroneous assessment issued by the department, the refund shall15333include interest on the amount of the refund from the date of15334

the overpayment. The interest shall be computed at the rate per 15335 annum prescribed by section 5703.47 of the Revised Code. 15336

Sec. 5743.08. Whenever the tax commissioner discovers any 15337 cigarettes which are being shipped, or which have been shipped, 15338 or transported in violation of section 2927.023 of the Revised 15339 Code, or discovers cigarettes, subject to the taxes levied under 15340 section 5743.02, 5743.021, 5743.024, or 5743.026 of the Revised 15341 Code, and upon which the taxes have not been paid or that are 15342 held for sale or distribution in violation of any other 15343 15344 provision of this chapter, the commissioner may seize and take possession of such cigarettes, which shall thereupon be 15345 forfeited to the state, and the commissioner, within a 15346 reasonable time thereafter shall sell or destroy the forfeited 15347 cigarettes. If the commissioner takes possession possession of 15348 cigarettes seized pursuant to section 3739.11 of the Revised 15349 Code, such cigarettes shall be forfeited to the state, and the 15350 commissioner shall destroy such cigarettes, except prior to the 15351 destruction of any such cigarettes, the true holder of the 15352 trademark rights in the cigarette brand shall be permitted to 15353 inspect the cigarettes. If the commissioner sells cigarettes 15354 under this section, the commissioner shall use proceeds from the 15355 sale to pay the costs incurred in the proceedings. Any proceeds 15356 remaining after all costs have been paid shall be considered 15357 revenue arising from the taxes levied under this chapter. 15358 Seizure and sale shall not be deemed to relieve any person from 15359 the fine or imprisonment provided for violation of sections 15360 5743.01 to 5743.20 of the Revised Code or from a civil penalty 15361 under section 3739.99 of the Revised Code. A sale shall be made 15362 where it is most convenient and economical. The tax commissioner 15363 may order the destruction of the forfeited cigarettes if the 15364 quantity or quality of the cigarettes is not sufficient to 15365

warrant their sale.

Sec. 5743.33. Except as provided in section 5747.331 15367 5743.331 of the Revised Code, every person who has acquired 15368 cigarettes for use, storage, or other consumption subject to the 15369 tax levied under section 5743.32, 5743.321, 5743.323, or 15370 5743.324 of the Revised Code, shall, on or before the fifteenth 15371 day of the month following receipt of such cigarettes, file with 15372 the tax commissioner a return showing the amount of cigarettes 15373 acquired, together with remittance of the tax thereon. No such 15374 person shall transport within this state, cigarettes that have a 15375 wholesale value in excess of three hundred dollars, unless that 15376 person has obtained consent to transport the cigarettes from the 15377 department of taxation prior to such transportation. Such 15378 consent shall not be required if the applicable taxes levied 15379 under sections 5743.02, 5743.021, 5743.024, and 5743.026 of the 15380 Revised Code have been paid. Application for the consent shall 15381 be in the form prescribed by the tax commissioner. 15382

Every person transporting such cigarettes shall possess15383the consent while transporting or possessing the cigarettes15384within this state and shall produce the consent upon request of15385any law enforcement officer or authorized agent of the tax15386commissioner.15387

Any person transporting such cigarettes without the15388consent required by this section, shall be subject to the15389provisions of this chapter, including the applicable taxes15390imposed under sections 5743.02, 5743.021, 5743.024, and 5743.02615391of the Revised Code.15392

Sec. 5743.65. No person required by division (B) (C) of15393section 5743.62 or division (B) of section 5743.63 of the15394Revised Code to file a return with the tax commissioner shall15395

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fail to make the return or fail to pay the applicable taxes15396levied under section 5743.62 or 5743.63 of the Revised Code or15397fail to pay any lawful assessment issued by the tax15398commissioner.15399

Sec. 5745.14. (A) If any of the facts, figures, 15400 computations, or attachments required in a taxpayer's report to 15401 determine the tax due a municipal corporation must be altered as 15402 the result of an adjustment to the taxpayer's federal income tax 15403 return, whether the adjustment is initiated by the taxpayer, the 15404 internal revenue service, or the tax commissioner, and such 15405 alteration affects the taxpayer's tax liability to a municipal 15406 corporation, the taxpayer shall file an amended report with the 15407 tax commissioner in such form as the commissioner requires. The 15408 amended report shall be filed not later than one year after the 15409 adjustment has been agreed to or finally determined. 15410

(B) In the case of an underpayment, the amended report 15411 shall be accompanied by payment of an additional tax and 15412 interest due and is a report subject to assessment under section 15413 5745.12 of the Revised Code for the purpose of assessing any 15414 additional tax due under this division, together with any 15415 applicable penalty and interest. It shall not reopen those 15416 facts, figures, computations, or attachments from a previously 15417 filed report no longer subject to assessment that are not 15418 affected, either directly or indirectly, by the adjustment to 15419 the taxpayer's federal income tax return. 15420

(C) In the case of an overpayment, an application for
refund may be filed under section 5745.11 of the Revised Code
within the one-year period prescribed for filing the amended
report even if it is filed beyond the period prescribed by that
section, if it otherwise conforms to the requirements of such

section. An application filed under this division shall claim 15426 refund of overpayments resulting from alterations to only those 15427 facts, figures, computations, or attachments required in the 15428 taxpayer's report that are affected, either directly or 15429 indirectly, by the adjustment to the taxpayer's federal income 15430 tax return unless it is also filed within the time prescribed by 15431 section 5745.11 of the Revised Code. It shall not reopen those 15432 facts, figures, computations, or attachments that are not 15433 affected, either directly or indirectly, by the adjustment to 15434 the taxpayer's federal income tax return. 15435

Sec. 5747.01. Except as otherwise expressly provided or 15436 clearly appearing from the context, any term used in this 15437 chapter that is not otherwise defined in this section has the 15438 same meaning as when used in a comparable context in the laws of 15439 the United States relating to federal income taxes or if not 15440 used in a comparable context in those laws, has the same meaning 15441 as in section 5733.40 of the Revised Code. Any reference in this 15442 chapter to the Internal Revenue Code includes other laws of the 15443 United States relating to federal income taxes. 15444

As used in this chapter:

(A) "Adjusted gross income" or "Ohio adjusted gross
 income" means federal adjusted gross income, as defined and used
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 in the Internal Revenue Code, adjusted as provided in this
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 section:

(1) Add interest or dividends on obligations or securities
of any state or of any political subdivision or authority of any
state, other than this state and its subdivisions and
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authorities.

(2) Add interest or dividends on obligations of any 15454

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authority, commission, instrumentality, territory, or possession15455of the United States to the extent that the interest or15456dividends are exempt from federal income taxes but not from15457state income taxes.15458

(3) Deduct interest or dividends on obligations of the
United States and its territories and possessions or of any
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authority, commission, or instrumentality of the United States
to the extent that the interest or dividends are included in
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federal adjusted gross income but exempt from state income taxes
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under the laws of the United States.

(4) Deduct disability and survivor's benefits to the 15465extent included in federal adjusted gross income. 15466

(5) Deduct benefits under Title II of the Social Security
Act and tier 1 railroad retirement benefits to the extent
included in federal adjusted gross income under section 86 of
the Internal Revenue Code.

15471 (6) In the case of a taxpayer who is a beneficiary of a trust that makes an accumulation distribution as defined in 15472 section 665 of the Internal Revenue Code, add, for the 15473 beneficiary's taxable years beginning before 2002, the portion, 15474 if any, of such distribution that does not exceed the 15475 undistributed net income of the trust for the three taxable 15476 15477 years preceding the taxable year in which the distribution is made to the extent that the portion was not included in the 15478 trust's taxable income for any of the trust's taxable years 15479 beginning in 2002 or thereafter. "Undistributed net income of a 15480 trust" means the taxable income of the trust increased by (a) (i) 15481 the additions to adjusted gross income required under division 15482 (A) of this section and (ii) the personal exemptions allowed to 15483 the trust pursuant to section 642(b) of the Internal Revenue 15484

| Code, and decreased by (b)(i) the deductions to adjusted gross          | 15485 |
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| income required under division (A) of this section, (ii) the            | 15486 |
| amount of federal income taxes attributable to such income, and         | 15487 |
| (iii) the amount of taxable income that has been included in the        | 15488 |
| adjusted gross income of a beneficiary by reason of a prior             | 15489 |
| accumulation distribution. Any undistributed net income included        | 15490 |
| in the adjusted gross income of a beneficiary shall reduce the          | 15491 |
| undistributed net income of the trust commencing with the               | 15492 |
| earliest years of the accumulation period.                              | 15493 |
| <del>(7)</del> Deduct the amount of wages and salaries, if any, not     | 15494 |
| otherwise allowable as a deduction but that would have been             | 15495 |
| allowable as a deduction in computing federal adjusted gross            | 15496 |
| income for the taxable year, had the targeted jobs credit               | 15497 |
| allowed and determined under sections 38, 51, and 52 of the             | 15498 |
| Internal Revenue Code not been in effect.                               | 15499 |
| <del>(8) <u>(</u>7) Deduct any interest or interest equivalent on</del> | 15500 |
| public obligations and purchase obligations to the extent that          | 15501 |
| the interest or interest equivalent is included in federal              | 15502 |
| adjusted gross income.  | 15503 |
| (9) (8) Add any loss or deduct any gain resulting from the              | 15504 |
| sale, exchange, or other disposition of public obligations to           | 15505 |
| the extent that the loss has been deducted or the gain has been         | 15506 |
| included in computing federal adjusted gross income.                    | 15507 |
| (10) _(9) _Deduct or add amounts, as provided under section             | 15508 |
| 5747.70 of the Revised Code, related to contributions to                | 15509 |
| variable college savings program accounts made or tuition units         | 15510 |
| purchased pursuant to Chapter 3334. of the Revised Code.                | 15511 |
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(11) (a) (10) (a) Deduct, to the extent not otherwise15512allowable as a deduction or exclusion in computing federal or15513

Ohio adjusted gross income for the taxable year, the amount the 15514 taxpayer paid during the taxable year for medical care insurance 15515 and qualified long-term care insurance for the taxpayer, the 15516 taxpayer's spouse, and dependents. No deduction for medical care 15517 insurance under division  $\frac{(A)(11)(a)}{(A)}$  (A) (10) (a) of this section 15518 shall be allowed either to any taxpayer who is eligible to 15519 participate in any subsidized health plan maintained by any 15520 employer of the taxpayer or of the taxpayer's spouse, or to any 15521 taxpayer who is entitled to, or on application would be entitled 15522 to, benefits under part A of Title XVIII of the "Social Security 15523 Act," 49 Stat. 620 (1935), 42 U.S.C. 301, as amended. For the 15524 purposes of division (A) (11) (a) (A) (10) (a) of this section, 15525 "subsidized health plan" means a health plan for which the 15526 employer pays any portion of the plan's cost. The deduction 15527 allowed under division (A) (11) (a) (A) (10) (a) of this section 15528 shall be the net of any related premium refunds, related premium 15529 reimbursements, or related insurance premium dividends received 15530 during the taxable year. 15531

(b) Deduct, to the extent not otherwise deducted or
excluded in computing federal or Ohio adjusted gross income
during the taxable year, the amount the taxpayer paid during the
taxable year, not compensated for by any insurance or otherwise,
for medical care of the taxpayer, the taxpayer's spouse, and
dependents, to the extent the expenses exceed seven and one-half
per cent of the taxpayer's federal adjusted gross income.

(c) Deduct, to the extent not otherwise deducted or
excluded in computing federal or Ohio adjusted gross income, any
amount included in federal adjusted gross income under section
105 or not excluded under section 106 of the Internal Revenue
Code solely because it relates to an accident and health plan
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for a person who otherwise would be a "qualifying relative" and

| thus a "dependent" under section 152 of the Internal Revenue                | 15545 |
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| Code but for the fact that the person fails to meet the income-             | 15546 |
| and support limitations under section 152(d)(1)(B) and (C) of               | 15547 |
| the Internal Revenue Code.  | 15548 |
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| <del>(d)</del> For purposes of division <del>(A)(11)_(A)(10)_</del> of this | 15549 |
| section, "medical care" has the meaning given in section 213 of             | 15550 |
| the Internal Revenue Code, subject to the special rules,                    | 15551 |
| limitations, and exclusions set forth therein, and "qualified               | 15552 |
| long-term care" has the same meaning given in section 7702B(c)              | 15553 |
| of the Internal Revenue Code. Solely for purposes of <del>divisions</del>   | 15554 |
| <del>(A)(11)(a) and (c) division (A)(10)(a) of</del> this section,          | 15555 |
| "dependent" includes a person who otherwise would be a                      | 15556 |
| "qualifying relative" and thus a "dependent" under section 152              | 15557 |
| of the Internal Revenue Code but for the fact that the person               | 15558 |
| fails to meet the income and support limitations under section              | 15559 |
| 152(d)(1)(B) and (C) of the Internal Revenue Code.                          | 15560 |
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| <del>(12)(a) <u>(</u>11)(a)</del> Deduct any amount included in federal     | 15561 |
| adjusted gross income solely because the amount represents a                | 15562 |

adjusted gross income solely because the amount represents a 15562 reimbursement or refund of expenses that in any year the 15563 taxpayer had deducted as an itemized deduction pursuant to 15564 section 63 of the Internal Revenue Code and applicable United 15565 States department of the treasury regulations. The deduction 15566 otherwise allowed under division  $\frac{(A)(12)(a)}{(A)}(A)(11)(a)$  of this 15567 section shall be reduced to the extent the reimbursement is 15568 attributable to an amount the taxpayer deducted under this 15569 section in any taxable year. 15570

(b) Add any amount not otherwise included in Ohio adjusted
gross income for any taxable year to the extent that the amount
is attributable to the recovery during the taxable year of any
amount deducted or excluded in computing federal or Ohio
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adjusted gross income in any taxable year.

(13) (12)Deduct any portion of the deduction described in15576section 1341(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, for repaying15577previously reported income received under a claim of right, that15578meets both of the following requirements:15579

(a) It is allowable for repayment of an item that was
included in the taxpayer's adjusted gross income for a prior
taxable year and did not qualify for a credit under division (A)
or (B) of section 5747.05 of the Revised Code for that year;

(b) It does not otherwise reduce the taxpayer's adjusted 15584 gross income for the current or any other taxable year. 15585

(14) (13) Deduct an amount equal to the deposits made to, 15586 and net investment earnings of, a medical savings account during 15587 the taxable year, in accordance with section 3924.66 of the 15588 Revised Code. The deduction allowed by division (A) (14) (A) (13)15589 of this section does not apply to medical savings account 15590 deposits and earnings otherwise deducted or excluded for the 15591 15592 current or any other taxable year from the taxpayer's federal adjusted gross income. 15593

(15) (a) (14) (a) Add an amount equal to the funds withdrawn15594from a medical savings account during the taxable year, and the15595net investment earnings on those funds, when the funds withdrawn15596were used for any purpose other than to reimburse an account15597holder for, or to pay, eligible medical expenses, in accordance15598with section 3924.66 of the Revised Code;15599

(b) Add the amounts distributed from a medical savings
account under division (A)(2) of section 3924.68 of the Revised
Code during the taxable year.

(16) (15) Add any amount claimed as a credit under section 15603

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| 5747.059 of the Revised Code to the extent that such amount      | 15604 |
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| satisfies either of the following:                               | 15605 |
| (a) The amount was deducted or excluded from the                 | 15606 |
| computation of the taxpayer's federal adjusted gross income as   | 15607 |
| required to be reported for the taxpayer's taxable year under    | 15608 |
| the Internal Revenue Code;                                       | 15609 |
| (b) The amount resulted in a reduction of the taxpayer's         | 15610 |
| federal adjusted gross income as required to be reported for any | 15611 |

of the taxpayer's taxable years under the Internal Revenue Code.

(17) <u>(16)</u> Deduct the amount contributed by the taxpayer to 15613 an individual development account program established by a 15614 county department of job and family services pursuant to 15615 sections 329.11 to 329.14 of the Revised Code for the purpose of 15616 matching funds deposited by program participants. On request of 15617 the tax commissioner, the taxpayer shall provide any information 15618 that, in the tax commissioner's opinion, is necessary to 15619 establish the amount deducted under division (A) (17) (A) (16) of 15620 this section. 15621

(18) Beginning in taxable year 2001 but not for any-15622 taxable year beginning after December 31, 2005, if the taxpayer 15623 is married and files a joint return and the combined federal 15624 adjusted gross income of the taxpayer and the taxpayer's spouse 15625 for the taxable year does not exceed one hundred thousand 15626 dollars, or if the taxpayer is single and has a federal adjusted 15627 gross income for the taxable year not exceeding fifty thousand 15628 dollars, deduct amounts paid during the taxable year for-15629 qualified tuition and fees paid to an eligible institution for 15630 15631 the taxpayer, the taxpayer's spouse, or any dependent of the taxpayer, who is a resident of this state and is enrolled in or 15632 attending a program that culminates in a degree or diploma at an-15633

eligible institution. The deduction may be claimed only to the 15634 extent that qualified tuition and fees are not otherwise 15635 deducted or excluded for any taxable year from federal or Ohio 15636 adjusted gross income. The deduction may not be claimed for 15637 educational expenses for which the taxpayer claims a credit 15638 under section 5747.27 of the Revised Code. 15639 (19) Add any reimbursement received during the taxable-15640 year of any amount the taxpayer deducted under division (A)(18) 15641 of this section in any previous taxable year to the extent the 15642 amount is not otherwise included in Ohio adjusted gross income. 15643 (20) (a) (i) (17) (a) (i) Subject to divisions (A) (20) (a) (iii) 15644 (A) (17) (a) (iii), (iv), and (v) of this section, add five-sixths 15645

of section 168 of the Internal Revenue Code, including the 15647 taxpayer's proportionate or distributive share of the amount of 15648 depreciation expense allowed by that subsection to a pass- 15649 through entity in which the taxpayer has a direct or indirect 15650 ownership interest. 15651

of the amount of depreciation expense allowed by subsection (k)

(ii) Subject to divisions (A) (20) (a) (iii) (A) (17) (a) (iii),
(iv), and (v) of this section, add five-sixths of the amount of
qualifying section 179 depreciation expense, including the
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taxpayer's proportionate or distributive share of the amount of
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qualifying section 179 depreciation expense allowed to any pass15656
through entity in which the taxpayer has a direct or indirect
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(iii) Subject to division (A) (20) (a) (v) (A) (17) (a) (v) of
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this section, for taxable years beginning in 2012 or thereafter,
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if the increase in income taxes withheld by the taxpayer is
equal to or greater than ten per cent of income taxes withheld
by the taxpayer during the taxpayer's immediately preceding

taxable year, "two-thirds" shall be substituted for "five-15664sixths" for the purpose of divisions (A) (20) (a) (i) (A) (17) (a) (i)15665and (ii) of this section.15666

(iv) Subject to division (A) (20) (a) (v) (A) (17) (a) (v) of 15667 this section, for taxable years beginning in 2012 or thereafter, 15668 a taxpayer is not required to add an amount under division (A) 15669  $\frac{(20)}{(A)(17)}$  of this section if the increase in income taxes 15670 withheld by the taxpayer and by any pass-through entity in which 15671 the taxpayer has a direct or indirect ownership interest is 15672 equal to or greater than the sum of (I) the amount of qualifying 15673 section 179 depreciation expense and (II) the amount of 15674 depreciation expense allowed to the taxpayer by subsection (k) 15675 of section 168 of the Internal Revenue Code, and including the 15676 taxpayer's proportionate or distributive shares of such amounts 15677 allowed to any such pass-through entities. 15678

(v) If a taxpayer directly or indirectly incurs a net 15679 operating loss for the taxable year for federal income tax 15680 purposes, to the extent such loss resulted from depreciation 15681 expense allowed by subsection (k) of section 168 of the Internal 15682 Revenue Code and by qualifying section 179 depreciation expense, 15683 "the entire" shall be substituted for "five-sixths of the" for 15684 the purpose of divisions  $\frac{(A)(20)(a)(i)}{(A)(i)}$  (A)(17)(a)(i) and (ii) of 15685 this section. 15686

The tax commissioner, under procedures established by the15687commissioner, may waive the add-backs related to a pass-through15688entity if the taxpayer owns, directly or indirectly, less than15689five per cent of the pass-through entity.15690

(b) Nothing in division (A) (20) (A) (17) of this section
 shall be construed to adjust or modify the adjusted basis of any
 asset.

(c) To the extent the add-back required under division (A) 15694  $\frac{(20)(a)}{(A)}$  (A) (17) (a) of this section is attributable to property 15695 generating nonbusiness income or loss allocated under section 15696 5747.20 of the Revised Code, the add-back shall be sitused to 15697 the same location as the nonbusiness income or loss generated by 15698 the property for the purpose of determining the credit under 15699 division (A) of section 5747.05 of the Revised Code. Otherwise, 15700 the add-back shall be apportioned, subject to one or more of the 15701 four alternative methods of apportionment enumerated in section 15702 5747.21 of the Revised Code. 15703

(d) For the purposes of division (A) (20) (a) (v) (A) (17) (a)15704(v) of this section, net operating loss carryback and15705carryforward shall not include the allowance of any net15706operating loss deduction carryback or carryforward to the15707taxable year to the extent such loss resulted from depreciation15708allowed by section 168(k) of the Internal Revenue Code and by15709the qualifying section 179 depreciation expense amount.15710

(e) For the purposes of divisions (A) (20) (A) (17) and (21) 15711 (18) of this section: 15712

(i) "Income taxes withheld" means the total amount
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withheld and remitted under sections 5747.06 and 5747.07 of the
Revised Code by an employer during the employer's taxable year.
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(ii) "Increase in income taxes withheld" means the amount
by which the amount of income taxes withheld by an employer
during the employer's current taxable year exceeds the amount of
income taxes withheld by that employer during the employer's
immediately preceding taxable year.

(iii) "Qualifying section 179 depreciation expense" means15721the difference between (I) the amount of depreciation expense15722

directly or indirectly allowed to a taxpayer under section 17915723of the Internal Revised Code, and (II) the amount of15724depreciation expense directly or indirectly allowed to the15725taxpayer under section 179 of the Internal Revenue Code as that15726section existed on December 31, 2002.15727

(21) (a) (18) (a) If the taxpayer was required to add an15728amount under division (A) (20) (a) (A) (17) (a) of this section for15729a taxable year, deduct one of the following:15730

(i) One-fifth of the amount so added for each of the five
succeeding taxable years if the amount so added was five-sixths
of qualifying section 179 depreciation expense or depreciation
expense allowed by subsection (k) of section 168 of the Internal
Revenue Code;

(ii) One-half of the amount so added for each of the two
succeeding taxable years if the amount so added was two-thirds
of such depreciation expense;
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(iii) One-sixth of the amount so added for each of the six
succeeding taxable years if the entire amount of such
depreciation expense was so added.

(b) If the amount deducted under division  $\frac{(A)(21)(a)}{(A)}$ 15742 (18) (a) of this section is attributable to an add-back allocated 15743 under division  $\frac{(A)(20)(e)}{(A)(17)(e)}$  of this section, the amount 15744 deducted shall be sitused to the same location. Otherwise, the 15745 add-back shall be apportioned using the apportionment factors 15746 for the taxable year in which the deduction is taken, subject to 15747 one or more of the four alternative methods of apportionment 15748 enumerated in section 5747.21 of the Revised Code. 15749

(c) No deduction is available under division (A) (21) (a)15750(A) (18) (a) of this section with regard to any depreciation15751

allowed by section 168(k) of the Internal Revenue Code and by 15752 the qualifying section 179 depreciation expense amount to the 15753 extent that such depreciation results in or increases a federal 15754 net operating loss carryback or carryforward. If no such 15755 deduction is available for a taxable year, the taxpayer may 15756 carry forward the amount not deducted in such taxable year to 15757 the next taxable year and add that amount to any deduction 15758 otherwise available under division (A) (21) (a) (A) (18) (a) of this 15759 section for that next taxable year. The carryforward of amounts 15760 not so deducted shall continue until the entire addition 15761 required by division  $\frac{(A)(20)(a)}{(A)(17)(a)}$  of this section has 15762 been deducted. 15763

# (d) No refund shall be allowed as a result of adjustmentsmade by division (A)(21) of this section.

(22) (19)Deduct, to the extent not otherwise deducted or15766excluded in computing federal or Ohio adjusted gross income for15767the taxable year, the amount the taxpayer received during the15768taxable year as reimbursement for life insurance premiums under15769section 5919.31 of the Revised Code.15770

(23) (20)Deduct, to the extent not otherwise deducted or15771excluded in computing federal or Ohio adjusted gross income for15772the taxable year, the amount the taxpayer received during the15773taxable year as a death benefit paid by the adjutant general15774under section 5919.33 of the Revised Code.15775

(24) (21) Deduct, to the extent included in federal15776adjusted gross income and not otherwise allowable as a deduction15777or exclusion in computing federal or Ohio adjusted gross income15778for the taxable year, military pay and allowances received by15779the taxpayer during the taxable year for active duty service in15780the United States army, air force, navy, marine corps, or coast15781

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guard or reserve components thereof or the national guard. The15782deduction may not be claimed for military pay and allowances15783received by the taxpayer while the taxpayer is stationed in this15784state.15785

(25) (22) Deduct, to the extent not otherwise allowable as 15786 a deduction or exclusion in computing federal or Ohio adjusted 15787 gross income for the taxable year and not otherwise compensated 15788 for by any other source, the amount of qualified organ donation 15789 expenses incurred by the taxpayer during the taxable year, not 15790 to exceed ten thousand dollars. A taxpayer may deduct qualified 15791 organ donation expenses only once for all taxable years 15792 beginning with taxable years beginning in 2007. 15793

For the purposes of division (A) (25) (A) (22) of this 15794 section: 15795

(a) "Human organ" means all or any portion of a human
 liver, pancreas, kidney, intestine, or lung, and any portion of
 human bone marrow.

(b) "Qualified organ donation expenses" means travel
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(26) (23)Deduct, to the extent not otherwise deducted or15804excluded in computing federal or Ohio adjusted gross income for15805the taxable year, amounts received by the taxpayer as retired15806personnel pay for service in the uniformed services or reserve15807components thereof, or the national guard, or received by the15808surviving spouse or former spouse of such a taxpayer under the15809survivor benefit plan on account of such a taxpayer's death. If15810

the taxpayer receives income on account of retirement paid under 15811 the federal civil service retirement system or federal employees 15812 retirement system, or under any successor retirement program 15813 enacted by the congress of the United States that is established 15814 and maintained for retired employees of the United States 15815 government, and such retirement income is based, in whole or in 15816 part, on credit for the taxpayer's uniformed service, the 15817 deduction allowed under this division shall include only that 15818 portion of such retirement income that is attributable to the 15819 taxpayer's uniformed service, to the extent that portion of such 15820 retirement income is otherwise included in federal adjusted 15821 gross income and is not otherwise deducted under this section. 15822 Any amount deducted under division (A) (26) (A) (23) of this 15823 section is not included in a taxpayer's adjusted gross income 15824 for the purposes of section 5747.055 of the Revised Code. No 15825 amount may be deducted under division (A) (26) (A) (23) of this 15826 section on the basis of which a credit was claimed under section 15827 5747.055 of the Revised Code. 15828

(27) (24)Deduct, to the extent not otherwise deducted or15829excluded in computing federal or Ohio adjusted gross income for15830the taxable year, the amount the taxpayer received during the15831taxable year from the military injury relief fund created in15832section 5902.05 of the Revised Code.15833

(28) (25)Deduct, to the extent not otherwise deducted or15834excluded in computing federal or Ohio adjusted gross income for15835the taxable year, the amount the taxpayer received as a veterans15836bonus during the taxable year from the Ohio department of15837veterans services as authorized by Section 2r of Article VIII,15838Ohio Constitution.15839

<del>(29) <u>(</u>26) Deduct, to the extent not otherwise deducted or</del>

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excluded in computing federal or Ohio adjusted gross income for15841the taxable year, any income derived from a transfer agreement15842or from the enterprise transferred under that agreement under15843section 4313.02 of the Revised Code.15844

(30) (27) Deduct, to the extent not otherwise deducted or 15845 excluded in computing federal or Ohio adjusted gross income for 15846 the taxable year, Ohio college opportunity or federal Pell grant 15847 amounts received by the taxpayer or the taxpayer's spouse or 15848 dependent pursuant to section 3333.122 of the Revised Code or 20 15849 U.S.C. 1070a, et seq., and used to pay room or board furnished 15850 by the educational institution for which the grant was awarded 15851 at the institution's facilities, including meal plans 15852 administered by the institution. For the purposes of this 15853 division, receipt of a grant includes the distribution of a 15854 grant directly to an educational institution and the crediting 15855 of the grant to the enrollee's account with the institution. 15856

(31) (28)Deduct from the portion of an individual's15857federal adjusted gross income that is eligible business income,15858to the extent not otherwise deducted or excluded in computing15859federal adjusted gross income for the taxable year, one hundred15860twenty-five thousand dollars for each spouse if spouses file15861separate returns under section 5747.08 of the Revised Code or15862two hundred fifty thousand dollars for all other individuals.15863

(32)(29)Deduct, as provided under section 5747.78 of the15864Revised Code, contributions to ABLE savings accounts made in15865accordance with sections 113.50 to 113.56 of the Revised Code.15866

(33) (a) (30) (a) Deduct, to the extent not otherwise15867deducted or excluded in computing federal or Ohio adjusted gross15868income during the taxable year, all of the following:15869

(i) Compensation paid to a qualifying employee described
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in division (A) (14) (a) of section 5703.94 of the Revised Code to
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the extent such compensation is for disaster work conducted in
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this state during a disaster response period pursuant to a
qualifying solicitation received by the employee's employer;

(ii) Compensation paid to a qualifying employee described 15875 in division (A) (14) (b) of section 5703.94 of the Revised Code to 15876 the extent such compensation is for disaster work conducted in 15877 this state by the employee during the disaster response period 15878 on critical infrastructure owned or used by the employee's 15879 employer; 15880

(iii) Income received by an out-of-state disaster business 15881 for disaster work conducted in this state during a disaster 15882 response period, or, if the out-of-state disaster business is a 15883 pass-through entity, a taxpayer's distributive share of the 15884 pass-through entity's income from the business conducting 15885 disaster work in this state during a disaster response period, 15886 if, in either case, the disaster work is conducted pursuant to a 15887 qualifying solicitation received by the business. 15888

(b) All terms used in division (A) (33) (A) (30) of this
section have the same meanings as in section 5703.94 of the
Revised Code.

(B) (1) "Business income" means income, including gain or 15892 loss, arising from transactions, activities, and sources in the 15893 regular course of a trade or business and includes income, gain, 15894 or loss from real property, tangible property, and intangible 15895 property if the acquisition, rental, management, and disposition 15896 of the property constitute integral parts of the regular course 15897 of a trade or business operation. "Business income" includes 15898 income, including gain or loss, from a partial or complete 15899 liquidation of a business, including, but not limited to, gain 15900 or loss from the sale or other disposition of goodwill. 15901

(2) "Eligible business income" means business income 15902
 excluding income from a trade or business that performs either 15903
 or both of the following: 15904

(a) Legal services provided by an active attorney admitted
to the practice of law in this state or by an attorney
registered for corporate counsel status under section 6 of rule
VI of the Ohio supreme court rules for the government of the bar
of Ohio;

(b) Executive agency lobbying activity, retirement system
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lobbying activity, or actively advocating by a person required
to register with the joint legislative ethics committee under
section 101.78, 101.92, or 121.62 of the Revised Code. Terms
used in division (B) (2) of this section have the same meaning as
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in section 101.70, 101.92, or 121.60 of the Revised Code.

(C) "Nonbusiness income" means all income other than
 business income and may include, but is not limited to,
 compensation, rents and royalties from real or tangible personal
 property, capital gains, interest, dividends and distributions,
 patent or copyright royalties, or lottery winnings, prizes, and
 awards.

(D) "Compensation" means any form of remuneration paid to 15922an employee for personal services. 15923

(E) "Fiduciary" means a guardian, trustee, executor,
 administrator, receiver, conservator, or any other person acting
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 in any fiduciary capacity for any individual, trust, or estate.
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(F) "Fiscal year" means an accounting period of twelve15927months ending on the last day of any month other than December.15928

(G) "Individual" means any natural person. 15929 (H) "Internal Revenue Code" means the "Internal Revenue 15930 Code of 1986," 100 Stat. 2085, 26 U.S.C.A. 1, as amended. 15931 (I) "Resident" means any of the following, provided that 15932 division (I) (3) of this section applies only to taxable years of 15933 a trust beginning in 2002 or thereafter: 15934 (1) An individual who is domiciled in this state, subject 15935 to section 5747.24 of the Revised Code; 15936 (2) The estate of a decedent who at the time of death was 15937 domiciled in this state. The domicile tests of section 5747.24 15938 of the Revised Code are not controlling for purposes of division 15939 (I)(2) of this section. 15940 (3) A trust that, in whole or part, resides in this state. 15941 If only part of a trust resides in this state, the trust is a 15942 resident only with respect to that part. 15943 For the purposes of division (I)(3) of this section: 15944 (a) A trust resides in this state for the trust's current 15945 taxable year to the extent, as described in division (I)(3)(d) 15946 of this section, that the trust consists directly or indirectly, 15947 in whole or in part, of assets, net of any related liabilities, 15948 that were transferred, or caused to be transferred, directly or 15949 indirectly, to the trust by any of the following: 15950 (i) A person, a court, or a governmental entity or 15951 instrumentality on account of the death of a decedent, but only 15952 if the trust is described in division (I)(3)(e)(i) or (ii) of 15953 this section; 15954

(ii) A person who was domiciled in this state for thepurposes of this chapter when the person directly or indirectly15956

transferred assets to an irrevocable trust, but only if at least 15957 one of the trust's qualifying beneficiaries is domiciled in this 15958 state for the purposes of this chapter during all or some 15959 portion of the trust's current taxable year; 15960

(iii) A person who was domiciled in this state for the 15961 purposes of this chapter when the trust document or instrument 15962 or part of the trust document or instrument became irrevocable, 15963 but only if at least one of the trust's qualifying beneficiaries 15964 is a resident domiciled in this state for the purposes of this 15965 chapter during all or some portion of the trust's current 15966 taxable year. If a trust document or instrument became 15967 irrevocable upon the death of a person who at the time of death 15968 was domiciled in this state for purposes of this chapter, that 15969 person is a person described in division (I)(3)(a)(iii) of this 15970 section. 15971

(b) A trust is irrevocable to the extent that the
transferor is not considered to be the owner of the net assets
of the trust under sections 671 to 678 of the Internal Revenue
Code.

(c) With respect to a trust other than a charitable lead 15976 trust, "qualifying beneficiary" has the same meaning as 15977 "potential current beneficiary" as defined in section 1361(e)(2) 15978 of the Internal Revenue Code, and with respect to a charitable 15979 lead trust "qualifying beneficiary" is any current, future, or 15980 contingent beneficiary, but with respect to any trust 15981 "qualifying beneficiary" excludes a person or a governmental 15982 entity or instrumentality to any of which a contribution would 15983 qualify for the charitable deduction under section 170 of the 15984 Internal Revenue Code. 15985

(d) For the purposes of division (I)(3)(a) of this

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section, the extent to which a trust consists directly or
indirectly, in whole or in part, of assets, net of any related
liabilities, that were transferred directly or indirectly, in
whole or part, to the trust by any of the sources enumerated in
that division shall be ascertained by multiplying the fair
market value of the trust's assets, net of related liabilities,
by the qualifying ratio, which shall be computed as follows:

(i) The first time the trust receives assets, the
numerator of the qualifying ratio is the fair market value of
those assets at that time, net of any related liabilities, from
sources enumerated in division (I) (3) (a) of this section. The
denominator of the qualifying ratio is the fair market value of
all the trust's assets at that time, net of any related
liabilities.

(ii) Each subsequent time the trust receives assets, a 16001 revised qualifying ratio shall be computed. The numerator of the 16002 revised qualifying ratio is the sum of (1) the fair market value 16003 of the trust's assets immediately prior to the subsequent 16004 transfer, net of any related liabilities, multiplied by the 16005 qualifying ratio last computed without regard to the subsequent 16006 transfer, and (2) the fair market value of the subsequently 16007 transferred assets at the time transferred, net of any related 16008 liabilities, from sources enumerated in division (I)(3)(a) of 16009 this section. The denominator of the revised qualifying ratio is 16010 the fair market value of all the trust's assets immediately 16011 after the subsequent transfer, net of any related liabilities. 16012

(iii) Whether a transfer to the trust is by or from any of 16013
the sources enumerated in division (I)(3)(a) of this section 16014
shall be ascertained without regard to the domicile of the 16015
trust's beneficiaries. 16016

(e) For the purposes of division (I)(3)(a)(i) of this 16017 section: 16018

(i) A trust is described in division (I) (3) (e) (i) of this
section if the trust is a testamentary trust and the testator of
that testamentary trust was domiciled in this state at the time
of the testator's death for purposes of the taxes levied under
Chapter 5731. of the Revised Code.

(ii) A trust is described in division (I) (3) (e) (ii) of 16024 this section if the transfer is a qualifying transfer described 16025 in any of divisions (I) (3) (f) (i) to (vi) of this section, the 16026 trust is an irrevocable inter vivos trust, and at least one of 16027 the trust's qualifying beneficiaries is domiciled in this state 16028 for purposes of this chapter during all or some portion of the 16029 trust's current taxable year. 16030

(f) For the purposes of division (I)(3)(e)(ii) of this 16031
section, a "qualifying transfer" is a transfer of assets, net of 16032
any related liabilities, directly or indirectly to a trust, if 16033
the transfer is described in any of the following: 16034

(i) The transfer is made to a trust, created by the
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decedent before the decedent's death and while the decedent was
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domiciled in this state for the purposes of this chapter, and,
prior to the death of the decedent, the trust became irrevocable
while the decedent was domiciled in this state for the purposes
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of this chapter.

(ii) The transfer is made to a trust to which the
decedent, prior to the decedent's death, had directly or
indirectly transferred assets, net of any related liabilities,
while the decedent was domiciled in this state for the purposes
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of this chapter, and prior to the death of the decedent the

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trust became irrevocable while the decedent was domiciled in 16046 this state for the purposes of this chapter. 16047

(iii) The transfer is made on account of a contractual 16048 relationship existing directly or indirectly between the 16049 transferor and either the decedent or the estate of the decedent 16050 at any time prior to the date of the decedent's death, and the 16051 decedent was domiciled in this state at the time of death for 16052 purposes of the taxes levied under Chapter 5731. of the Revised 16053 Code. 16054

(iv) The transfer is made to a trust on account of a 16055 contractual relationship existing directly or indirectly between 16056 the transferor and another person who at the time of the 16057 decedent's death was domiciled in this state for purposes of 16058 this chapter. 16059

(v) The transfer is made to a trust on account of the will
of a testator who was domiciled in this state at the time of the
testator's death for purposes of the taxes levied under Chapter
5731. of the Revised Code.

(vi) The transfer is made to a trust created by or caused 16064 to be created by a court, and the trust was directly or 16065 indirectly created in connection with or as a result of the 16066 death of an individual who, for purposes of the taxes levied 16067 under Chapter 5731. of the Revised Code, was domiciled in this 16068 state at the time of the individual's death. 16069

(g) The tax commissioner may adopt rules to ascertain thepart of a trust residing in this state.16071

(J) "Nonresident" means an individual or estate that is
not a resident. An individual who is a resident for only part of
a taxable year is a nonresident for the remainder of that
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| taxable year.  | 16075 |
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| caxable year.  | 10075 |
| (K) "Pass-through entity" has the same meaning as in             | 16076 |
| section 5733.04 of the Revised Code.                             | 16077 |
| (L) "Return" means the notifications and reports required        | 16078 |
| to be filed pursuant to this chapter for the purpose of          | 16079 |
| reporting the tax due and includes declarations of estimated tax | 16080 |
| when so required.  | 16081 |
| (M) "Taxable year" means the calendar year or the                | 16082 |
| taxpayer's fiscal year ending during the calendar year, or       | 16083 |
| fractional part thereof, upon which the adjusted gross income is | 16084 |
| calculated pursuant to this chapter.                             | 16085 |
| (N) "Taxpayer" means any person subject to the tax imposed       | 16086 |
| by section 5747.02 of the Revised Code or any pass-through       | 16087 |
| entity that makes the election under division (D) of section     | 16088 |
| 5747.08 of the Revised Code.                                     | 16089 |
| (O) "Dependents" means one of the following:                     | 16090 |
| (1) For taxable years beginning on or after January 1,           | 16091 |
| 2018, and before January 1, 2026, dependents as defined in the   | 16092 |
| Internal Revenue Code;   | 16093 |
| (2) For all other taxable years, dependents as defined in        | 16094 |
| the Internal Revenue Code and as claimed in the taxpayer's       | 16095 |
| federal income tax return for the taxable year or which the      | 16096 |
| taxpayer would have been permitted to claim had the taxpayer     | 16097 |
| filed a federal income tax return.                               | 16098 |
| (P) "Principal county of employment" means, in the case of       | 16099 |
| a nonresident, the county within the state in which a taxpayer   | 16100 |
| performs services for an employer or, if those services are      | 16101 |
| performed in more than one county, the county in which the major | 16102 |
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| portion of the services are performed.  | 16103   |
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| (Q) As used in sections 5747.50 to 5747.55 of the Revised   | 16104   |
| Code:   | 16105   |
| (1) "Subdivision" means any county, municipal corporation,  | 16106   |
| park district, or township.   | 16107   |
| (2) "Essential local government purposes" includes all  | 16108   |
| functions that any subdivision is required by general law to  | 16109   |
| exercise, including like functions that are exercised under a   | 16110   |
| charter adopted pursuant to the Ohio Constitution.  | 16111   |
| (R) "Overpayment" means any amount already paid that  | 16112   |
| exceeds the figure determined to be the correct amount of the   | 16113   |
| tax.  | 16114   |
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| (S) "Taxable income" or "Ohio taxable income" applies only  | 16115   |
| (S) "Taxable income" or "Ohio taxable income" applies only to estates and trusts, and means federal taxable income, as  | 16115<br>16116  |
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| to estates and trusts, and means federal taxable income, as   | 16116   |
| to estates and trusts, and means federal taxable income, as<br>defined and used in the Internal Revenue Code, adjusted as   | 16116<br>16117  |
| to estates and trusts, and means federal taxable income, as<br>defined and used in the Internal Revenue Code, adjusted as<br>follows:   | 16116<br>16117<br>16118   |
| to estates and trusts, and means federal taxable income, as<br>defined and used in the Internal Revenue Code, adjusted as<br>follows:<br>(1) Add interest or dividends, net of ordinary, necessary,   | 16116<br>16117<br>16118<br>16119  |
| to estates and trusts, and means federal taxable income, as<br>defined and used in the Internal Revenue Code, adjusted as<br>follows:<br>(1) Add interest or dividends, net of ordinary, necessary,<br>and reasonable expenses not deducted in computing federal  | 16116<br>16117<br>16118<br>16119<br>16120                                     |
| <pre>to estates and trusts, and means federal taxable income, as defined and used in the Internal Revenue Code, adjusted as follows:</pre>  | 16116<br>16117<br>16118<br>16119<br>16120<br>16121                            |
| to estates and trusts, and means federal taxable income, as<br>defined and used in the Internal Revenue Code, adjusted as<br>follows:<br>(1) Add interest or dividends, net of ordinary, necessary,<br>and reasonable expenses not deducted in computing federal<br>taxable income, on obligations or securities of any state or of<br>any political subdivision or authority of any state, other than  | 16116<br>16117<br>16118<br>16119<br>16120<br>16121<br>16122                   |
| to estates and trusts, and means federal taxable income, as<br>defined and used in the Internal Revenue Code, adjusted as<br>follows:<br>(1) Add interest or dividends, net of ordinary, necessary,<br>and reasonable expenses not deducted in computing federal<br>taxable income, on obligations or securities of any state or of<br>any political subdivision or authority of any state, other than<br>this state and its subdivisions and authorities, but only to the  | 16116<br>16117<br>16118<br>16119<br>16120<br>16121<br>16122<br>16123          |
| to estates and trusts, and means federal taxable income, as<br>defined and used in the Internal Revenue Code, adjusted as<br>follows:<br>(1) Add interest or dividends, net of ordinary, necessary,<br>and reasonable expenses not deducted in computing federal<br>taxable income, on obligations or securities of any state or of<br>any political subdivision or authority of any state, other than<br>this state and its subdivisions and authorities, but only to the<br>extent that such net amount is not otherwise includible in Ohio | 16116<br>16117<br>16118<br>16119<br>16120<br>16121<br>16122<br>16123<br>16124 |

an electing small business trust and has not been distributed to16128beneficiaries for the taxable year;16129

(b) The net amount is attributable to the S portion of an 16130

electing small business trust for the taxable year.

(2) Add interest or dividends, net of ordinary, necessary, and reasonable expenses not deducted in computing federal 16133 taxable income, on obligations of any authority, commission, 16134 instrumentality, territory, or possession of the United States 16135 to the extent that the interest or dividends are exempt from 16136 federal income taxes but not from state income taxes, but only 16137 to the extent that such net amount is not otherwise includible 16138 in Ohio taxable income and is described in either division (S) 16139 (1) (a) or (b) of this section; 16140

(3) Add the amount of personal exemption allowed to the estate pursuant to section 642(b) of the Internal Revenue Code;

(4) Deduct interest or dividends, net of related expenses 16143 deducted in computing federal taxable income, on obligations of 16144 the United States and its territories and possessions or of any 16145 16146 authority, commission, or instrumentality of the United States to the extent that the interest or dividends are exempt from 16147 state taxes under the laws of the United States, but only to the 16148 extent that such amount is included in federal taxable income 16149 and is described in either division (S)(1)(a) or (b) of this 16150 section; 16151

(5) Deduct the amount of wages and salaries, if any, not 16152 otherwise allowable as a deduction but that would have been 16153 allowable as a deduction in computing federal taxable income for 16154 the taxable year, had the targeted jobs credit allowed under 16155 sections 38, 51, and 52 of the Internal Revenue Code not been in 16156 effect, but only to the extent such amount relates either to 16157 income included in federal taxable income for the taxable year 16158 or to income of the S portion of an electing small business 16159 trust for the taxable year; 16160

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(6) Deduct any interest or interest equivalent, net of 16161 related expenses deducted in computing federal taxable income, 16162 on public obligations and purchase obligations, but only to the 16163 extent that such net amount relates either to income included in 16164 federal taxable income for the taxable year or to income of the 16165 S portion of an electing small business trust for the taxable 16166 year; 16167

(7) Add any loss or deduct any gain resulting from sale, 16168 exchange, or other disposition of public obligations to the 16169 extent that such loss has been deducted or such gain has been 16170 included in computing either federal taxable income or income of 16171 the S portion of an electing small business trust for the 16172 taxable year; 16173

(8) Except in the case of the final return of an estate,
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add any amount deducted by the taxpayer on both its Ohio estate
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tax return pursuant to section 5731.14 of the Revised Code, and
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on its federal income tax return in determining federal taxable
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income;

(9) (a) Deduct any amount included in federal taxable 16179 income solely because the amount represents a reimbursement or 16180 refund of expenses that in a previous year the decedent had 16181 deducted as an itemized deduction pursuant to section 63 of the 16182 Internal Revenue Code and applicable treasury regulations. The 16183 deduction otherwise allowed under division (S)(9)(a) of this 16184 section shall be reduced to the extent the reimbursement is 16185 attributable to an amount the taxpayer or decedent deducted 16186 under this section in any taxable year. 16187

(b) Add any amount not otherwise included in Ohio taxable16188income for any taxable year to the extent that the amount is16189attributable to the recovery during the taxable year of any16190

amount deducted or excluded in computing federal or Ohio taxable 16191 income in any taxable year, but only to the extent such amount 16192 has not been distributed to beneficiaries for the taxable year. 16193

(10) Deduct any portion of the deduction described in 16194 section 1341(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, for repaying 16195 previously reported income received under a claim of right, that 16196 meets both of the following requirements: 16197

(a) It is allowable for repayment of an item that was 16198 16199 included in the taxpayer's taxable income or the decedent's adjusted gross income for a prior taxable year and did not 16200 qualify for a credit under division (A) or (B) of section 16201 5747.05 of the Revised Code for that year. 16202

(b) It does not otherwise reduce the taxpayer's taxable 16203 income or the decedent's adjusted gross income for the current 16204 or any other taxable year. 16205

(11) Add any amount claimed as a credit under section 16206 5747.059 of the Revised Code to the extent that the amount 16207 satisfies either of the following: 16208

(a) The amount was deducted or excluded from the 16209 computation of the taxpayer's federal taxable income as required 16210 to be reported for the taxpayer's taxable year under the 16211 16212 Internal Revenue Code;

(b) The amount resulted in a reduction in the taxpayer's 16213 federal taxable income as required to be reported for any of the 16214 taxpayer's taxable years under the Internal Revenue Code. 16215

(12) Deduct any amount, net of related expenses deducted 16216 in computing federal taxable income, that a trust is required to 16217 report as farm income on its federal income tax return, but only 16218 if the assets of the trust include at least ten acres of land 16219

satisfying the definition of "land devoted exclusively to 16220 agricultural use" under section 5713.30 of the Revised Code, 16221 regardless of whether the land is valued for tax purposes as 16222 such land under sections 5713.30 to 5713.38 of the Revised Code. 16223 If the trust is a pass-through entity investor, section 5747.231 16224 of the Revised Code applies in ascertaining if the trust is 16225 eligible to claim the deduction provided by division (S)(12) of 16226 this section in connection with the pass-through entity's farm 16227 income. 16228

Except for farm income attributable to the S portion of an16229electing small business trust, the deduction provided by16230division (S)(12) of this section is allowed only to the extent16231that the trust has not distributed such farm income. Division16232(S)(12) of this section applies only to taxable years of a trust16233beginning in 2002 or thereafter.16234

(13) Add the net amount of income described in section
641(c) of the Internal Revenue Code to the extent that amount is
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not included in federal taxable income.

(14) Add or deduct the amount the taxpayer would be 16238 required to add or deduct under division (A) (20) (A) (17) or (21) 16239 (18) of this section if the taxpayer's Ohio taxable income were 16240 computed in the same manner as an individual's Ohio adjusted 16241 gross income is computed under this section. In the case of a 16242 trust, division (S) (14) of this section applies only to any of 16243 the trust's taxable years beginning in 2002 or thereafter. 16244

(T) "School district income" and "school district income 16245tax" have the same meanings as in section 5748.01 of the Revised 16246Code. 16247

(U) As used in divisions (A) (8) (A) (7), (A) (9) (A) (8), (S) 16248

(6), and (S)(7) of this section, "public obligations," "purchase 16249 obligations," and "interest or interest equivalent" have the 16250 same meanings as in section 5709.76 of the Revised Code. 16251 (V) "Limited liability company" means any limited 16252 liability company formed under Chapter 1705. of the Revised Code 16253 or under the laws of any other state. 16254 (W) "Pass-through entity investor" means any person who, 16255 during any portion of a taxable year of a pass-through entity, 16256 is a partner, member, shareholder, or equity investor in that 16257 pass-through entity. 16258 (X) "Banking day" has the same meaning as in section 16259 1304.01 of the Revised Code. 16260 (Y) "Month" means a calendar month. 16261 (Z) "Ouarter" means the first three months, the second 16262 three months, the third three months, or the last three months 16263 of the taxpayer's taxable year. 16264 (AA) (1) - "Eligible institution" means a state university or-16265 state institution of higher education as defined in section 16266 3345.011 of the Revised Code, or a private, nonprofit college, 16267 16268 university, or other post-secondary institution located in this state that possesses a certificate of authorization issued by 16269 the chancellor of higher education pursuant to Chapter 1713. of 16270 the Revised Code or a certificate of registration issued by the 16271 state board of career colleges and schools under Chapter 3332. 16272 of the Revised Code. 16273 (2) "Oualified tuition and fees" means tuition and fees 16274 imposed by an eligible institution as a condition of enrollment 16275 or attendance, not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars 16276 in each of the individual's first two years of post-secondary 16277

| tuition and fees" includes tuition and fees paid for the         | 16279 |
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| academic equivalent of the first two years of post-secondary-    | 16280 |
| education during a maximum of five taxable years, not exceeding  | 16281 |
| a total of five thousand dollars. "Qualified tuition and fees"   | 16282 |
| does not include:  | 16283 |
| (a) Expenses for any course or activity involving sports,        | 16284 |
| games, or hobbies unless the course or activity is part of the   | 16285 |
| individual's degree or diploma program;                          | 16286 |
| (b) The cost of books, room and board, student activity-         | 16287 |
| fees, athletic fees, insurance expenses, or other expenses       | 16288 |
| unrelated to the individual's academic course of instruction;    | 16289 |
| (c) Tuition, fees, or other expenses paid or reimbursed          | 16290 |
| through an employer, scholarship, grant in aid, or other-        | 16291 |
| educational benefit program.                                     | 16292 |
| <del>(BB)(1)</del> "Modified business income" means the business | 16293 |
| income included in a trust's Ohio taxable income after such      | 16294 |
| taxable income is first reduced by the qualifying trust amount,  | 16295 |
| if any.  | 16296 |
| (2) "Qualifying trust amount" of a trust means capital           | 16297 |
| gains and losses from the sale, exchange, or other disposition   | 16298 |
| of equity or ownership interests in, or debt obligations of, a   | 16299 |
| qualifying investee to the extent included in the trust's Ohio   | 16300 |
| taxable income, but only if the following requirements are       | 16301 |
| satisfied:   | 16302 |
| (a) The book value of the qualifying investee's physical         | 16303 |
| assets in this state and everywhere, as of the last day of the   | 16304 |
| qualifying investee's fiscal or calendar year ending immediately | 16305 |

prior to the date on which the trust recognizes the gain or

education. If the individual is a part time student, "qualified-

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loss, is available to the trust.

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| (b) The requirements of section 5747.011 of the Revised      | 16308 |
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| Code are satisfied for the trust's taxable year in which the | 16309 |
| trust recognizes the gain or loss.                           | 16310 |

Any gain or loss that is not a qualifying trust amount is16311modified business income, qualifying investment income, or16312modified nonbusiness income, as the case may be.16313

(3) "Modified nonbusiness income" means a trust's Ohio
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taxable income other than modified business income, other than
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the qualifying trust amount, and other than qualifying
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investment income, as defined in section 5747.012 of the Revised
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Code, to the extent such qualifying investment income is not
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otherwise part of modified business income.

(4) "Modified Ohio taxable income" applies only to trusts, 16320
and means the sum of the amounts described in divisions (BB) (4) 16321
(a) (AA) (4) (a) to (c) of this section: 16322

(a) The fraction, calculated under section 5747.013, and
(a) The fraction, calculated under section 5747.013, and
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(i) The trust's modified business income; 16326

(ii) The trust's qualifying investment income, as defined
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in section 5747.012 of the Revised Code, but only to the extent
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the qualifying investment income does not otherwise constitute
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modified business income and does not otherwise constitute a
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qualifying trust amount.

(b) The qualifying trust amount multiplied by a fraction,16332the numerator of which is the sum of the book value of the16333qualifying investee's physical assets in this state on the last16334

day of the qualifying investee's fiscal or calendar year ending 16335 immediately prior to the day on which the trust recognizes the 16336 qualifying trust amount, and the denominator of which is the sum 16337 of the book value of the qualifying investee's total physical 16338 assets everywhere on the last day of the qualifying investee's 16339 fiscal or calendar year ending immediately prior to the day on 16340 which the trust recognizes the qualifying trust amount. If, for 16341 a taxable year, the trust recognizes a qualifying trust amount 16342 with respect to more than one qualifying investee, the amount 16343 described in division (BB) (4) (b) (AA) (4) (b) of this section 16344 shall equal the sum of the products so computed for each such 16345 qualifying investee. 16346

(c) (i) With respect to a trust or portion of a trust thatis a resident as ascertained in accordance with division (I)(3)(d) of this section, its modified nonbusiness income.

(ii) With respect to a trust or portion of a trust that is 16350 not a resident as ascertained in accordance with division (I)(3) 16351 (d) of this section, the amount of its modified nonbusiness 16352 income satisfying the descriptions in divisions (B)(2) to (5) of 16353 section 5747.20 of the Revised Code, except as otherwise 16354 provided in division (BB) (4) (c) (ii) (AA) (4) (c) (ii) of this 16355 section. With respect to a trust or portion of a trust that is 16356 not a resident as ascertained in accordance with division (I)(3) 16357 (d) of this section, the trust's portion of modified nonbusiness 16358 income recognized from the sale, exchange, or other disposition 16359 of a debt interest in or equity interest in a section 5747.212 16360 entity, as defined in section 5747.212 of the Revised Code, 16361 without regard to division (A) of that section, shall not be 16362 allocated to this state in accordance with section 5747.20 of 16363 the Revised Code but shall be apportioned to this state in 16364 accordance with division (B) of section 5747.212 of the Revised 16365

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Code without regard to division (A) of that section.

If the allocation and apportionment of a trust's income16367under divisions (BB) (4) (a) (AA) (4) (a) and (c) of this section do16368not fairly represent the modified Ohio taxable income of the16369trust in this state, the alternative methods described in16370division (C) of section 5747.21 of the Revised Code may be16371applied in the manner and to the same extent provided in that16372section.16373

(5) (a) Except as set forth in division (BB)(5)(b)(AA)(5)16374 (b) of this section, "qualifying investee" means a person in 16375 which a trust has an equity or ownership interest, or a person 16376 or unit of government the debt obligations of either of which 16377 are owned by a trust. For the purposes of division (BB)(2)(a) 16378 (AA) (2) (a) of this section and for the purpose of computing the 16379 fraction described in division (BB) (4) (b) (AA) (4) (b) of this 16380 section, all of the following apply: 16381

(i) If the qualifying investee is a member of a qualifying
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 controlled group on the last day of the qualifying investee's
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 fiscal or calendar year ending immediately prior to the date on
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 which the trust recognizes the gain or loss, then "qualifying
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 investee" includes all persons in the qualifying controlled
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 group on such last day.

(ii) If the qualifying investee, or if the qualifying 16388 investee and any members of the qualifying controlled group of 16389 which the qualifying investee is a member on the last day of the 16390 qualifying investee's fiscal or calendar year ending immediately 16391 prior to the date on which the trust recognizes the gain or 16392 loss, separately or cumulatively own, directly or indirectly, on 16393 the last day of the qualifying investee's fiscal or calendar 16394 year ending immediately prior to the date on which the trust 16395

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recognizes the qualifying trust amount, more than fifty per cent 16396 of the equity of a pass-through entity, then the qualifying 16397 investee and the other members are deemed to own the 16398 proportionate share of the pass-through entity's physical assets 16399 which the pass-through entity directly or indirectly owns on the 16400 last day of the pass-through entity's calendar or fiscal year 16401 ending within or with the last day of the qualifying investee's 16402 fiscal or calendar year ending immediately prior to the date on 16403 which the trust recognizes the qualifying trust amount. 16404

(iii) For the purposes of division (BB)(5)(a)(iii) (AA)(5) 16405
(a)(iii) of this section, "upper level pass-through entity" 16406
means a pass-through entity directly or indirectly owning any 16407
equity of another pass-through entity, and "lower level passthrough entity" means that other pass-through entity. 16409

An upper level pass-through entity, whether or not it is 16410 also a qualifying investee, is deemed to own, on the last day of 16411 the upper level pass-through entity's calendar or fiscal year, 16412 the proportionate share of the lower level pass-through entity's 16413 physical assets that the lower level pass-through entity 16414 directly or indirectly owns on the last day of the lower level 16415 pass-through entity's calendar or fiscal year ending within or 16416 with the last day of the upper level pass-through entity's 16417 fiscal or calendar year. If the upper level pass-through entity 16418 directly and indirectly owns less than fifty per cent of the 16419 equity of the lower level pass-through entity on each day of the 16420 upper level pass-through entity's calendar or fiscal year in 16421 which or with which ends the calendar or fiscal year of the 16422 lower level pass-through entity and if, based upon clear and 16423 convincing evidence, complete information about the location and 16424 cost of the physical assets of the lower pass-through entity is 16425 not available to the upper level pass-through entity, then 16426

solely for purposes of ascertaining if a gain or loss 16427 constitutes a qualifying trust amount, the upper level pass-16428 through entity shall be deemed as owning no equity of the lower 16429 level pass-through entity for each day during the upper level 16430 pass-through entity's calendar or fiscal year in which or with 16431 which ends the lower level pass-through entity's calendar or 16432 fiscal year. Nothing in division <del>(BB)(5)(a)(iii)</del>(AA)(5)(a)(iii) 16433 of this section shall be construed to provide for any deduction 16434 or exclusion in computing any trust's Ohio taxable income. 16435

(b) With respect to a trust that is not a resident for the 16436 taxable year and with respect to a part of a trust that is not a 16437 resident for the taxable year, "qualifying investee" for that 16438 taxable year does not include a C corporation if both of the 16439 following apply: 16440

(i) During the taxable year the trust or part of the trust
recognizes a gain or loss from the sale, exchange, or other
disposition of equity or ownership interests in, or debt
obligations of, the C corporation.

(ii) Such gain or loss constitutes nonbusiness income. 16445

(6) "Available" means information is such that a person is
able to learn of the information by the due date plus
extensions, if any, for filing the return for the taxable year
in which the trust recognizes the gain or loss.

(CC) (BB)"Qualifying controlled group" has the same16450meaning as in section 5733.04 of the Revised Code.16451

(DD) (CC)"Related member" has the same meaning as in16452section 5733.042 of the Revised Code.16453

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 For the purposes of division (EE) (DD) of
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| (a) "Qualifying person" means any person other than a  | 16456  |
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| qualifying corporation.  | 16457  |
| (b) "Qualifying corporation" means any person classified   | 16458  |
| for federal income tax purposes as an association taxable as a   | 16459  |
| corporation, except either of the following:   | 16460  |
| (i) A corporation that has made an election under  | 16461  |
| subchapter S, chapter one, subtitle A, of the Internal Revenue   | 16462  |
| Code for its taxable year ending within, or on the last day of,  | 16463  |
| the investor's taxable year;   | 16464  |
| (ii) A subsidiary that is wholly owned by any corporation  | 16465  |
| that has made an election under subchapter S, chapter one,   | 16466  |
| subtitle A of the Internal Revenue Code for its taxable year   | 16467  |
| ending within, or on the last day of, the investor's taxable   | 16468  |
| year.  | 16469  |
| (2) For the purposes of this chapter, unless expressly   | 16470  |
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| stated otherwise, no qualifying person indirectly owns any asset   | 16471  |
| stated otherwise, no qualifying person indirectly owns any asset directly or indirectly owned by any qualifying corporation.   | 16471<br>16472   |
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| directly or indirectly owned by any qualifying corporation.  | 16472  |
| directly or indirectly owned by any qualifying corporation.<br>(FF) (EE) For purposes of this chapter and Chapter 5751.  | 16472<br>16473   |
| directly or indirectly owned by any qualifying corporation.<br>(FF) (EE) For purposes of this chapter and Chapter 5751.<br>of the Revised Code:  | 16472<br>16473<br>16474  |
| <pre>directly or indirectly owned by any qualifying corporation.</pre>   | 16472<br>16473<br>16474<br>16475                                     |
| <pre>directly or indirectly owned by any qualifying corporation.</pre>   | 16472<br>16473<br>16474<br>16475<br>16476                            |
| <pre>directly or indirectly owned by any qualifying corporation.</pre>   | 16472<br>16473<br>16474<br>16475<br>16476<br>16477                   |
| <pre>directly or indirectly owned by any qualifying corporation.     (FF) (EE) For purposes of this chapter and Chapter 5751.     of the Revised Code:         (1) "Trust" does not include a qualified pre-income tax     trust.         (2) A "qualified pre-income tax trust" is any pre-income         tax trust that makes a qualifying pre-income tax trust election</pre> | 16472<br>16473<br>16474<br>16475<br>16476<br>16477<br>16478          |
| <pre>directly or indirectly owned by any qualifying corporation.</pre>   | 16472<br>16473<br>16474<br>16475<br>16476<br>16477<br>16478<br>16479 |

and all pass-through entities of which the trust owns or

controls, directly, indirectly, or constructively through16484related interests, five per cent or more of the ownership or16485equity interests. The trustee shall notify the tax commissioner16486in writing of the election on or before April 15, 2006. The16487election, if timely made, shall be effective on and after16488January 1, 2006, and shall apply for all tax periods and tax16489years until revoked by the trustee of the trust.16490

(4) A "pre-income tax trust" is a trust that satisfies allof the following requirements:16491

(a) The document or instrument creating the trust wasexecuted by the grantor before January 1, 1972;16494

(b) The trust became irrevocable upon the creation of the 16495 trust; and 16496

(c) The grantor was domiciled in this state at the time16497the trust was created.

(GG) (FF) "Uniformed services" has the same meaning as in 16499 10 U.S.C. 101. 16500

(HH)(GG)"Taxable business income" means the amount by16501which an individual's eligible business income that is included16502in federal adjusted gross income exceeds the amount of eligible16503business income the individual is authorized to deduct under16504division(A) (31)(A) (28) of this section for the taxable year.

(II) (HH)"Employer" does not include a franchisor with16506respect to the franchisor's relationship with a franchisee or an16507employee of a franchisee, unless the franchisor agrees to assume16508that role in writing or a court of competent jurisdiction16509determines that the franchisor exercises a type or degree of16510control over the franchisee or the franchisee's employees that16511is not customarily exercised by a franchisor for the purpose of16512

protecting the franchisor's trademark, brand, or both. For 16513 purposes of this division, "franchisor" and "franchisee" have 16514 the same meanings as in 16 C.F.R. 436.1. 16515

(JJ) (II)"Modified adjusted gross income" means Ohio16516adjusted gross income plus any amount deducted under division16517(A) (31) (A) (28) of this section for the taxable year.16518

Sec. 5747.011. (A) As used in this section: 16519

(1) "Qualifying closely-held C corporation" means a person 16520 classified for federal income tax purposes as an association 16521 taxed as a corporation and that has more than fifty per cent of 16522 the value of its outstanding stock or equity owned, directly or 16523 indirectly, by or for not more than five qualifying persons. For 16524 the purposes of this division, the ownership of stock shall be 16525 determined under the rules set forth in section 544 of the 16526 Internal Revenue Code. 16527

(2) "Qualifying person" means an individual; an
organization described in section 401(a), 501(c)(17), or 509(a)
of the Internal Revenue Code; or a portion of a trust
permanently set aside or to be used exclusively for the purposes
described in section 642(c) of the Internal Revenue Code or a
corresponding provision of a prior federal income tax law.

(3) "Qualifying limited liability company" means a limited
liability company that is not classified for federal income tax
purposes as an association taxed as a corporation.

(4) "Ownership interest" means the equity or ownership
interest in, or debt obligation of, a "qualifying investee" as
defined in section 5747.01 of the Revised Code.

(5) "Qualifying individual beneficiary" has the same(5) meaning as qualifying beneficiary as used in division (I) (3) (c)(16541)

of section 5747.01 of the Revised Code, but is limited to 16542 individuals.

(6) "Family" of an individual means only the individual's 16544 spouse; the individual's ancestors, limited to the individual's 16545 parents, grandparents, and great grandparents; the siblings of 16546 such ancestors, whether by the whole or half blood or by legal 16547 adoption; the lineal descendants of such ancestors and siblings; 16548 persons legally adopted by such ancestors or by such siblings; 16549 and the spouses of such ancestors, siblings, legally adopted 16550 persons, and lineal descendants. 16551

(B) The requirements of this division apply for purposes 16552 of division (BB) (AA) (2) (b) of section 5747.01 of the Revised 16553 Code and for the purposes of division (D) of section 5747.012 of 16554 the Revised Code. Gain or loss included in a trust's Ohio 16555 taxable income is not a qualifying trust amount unless the 16556 trust's ownership interest in the qualifying investee is at 16557 least five per cent of the total outstanding ownership interests 16558 in such qualifying investee at any time during the ten-year 16559 period ending on the last day of the trust's taxable year in 16560 which the sale, exchange, or other disposition occurs. Nothing 16561 in this section negates the requirements in division (BB)(AA)(2) 16562 of section 5747.01 of the Revised Code. 16563

For the purpose of ascertaining whether the trust's16564ownership interest in a qualifying investee is at least five per16565cent of the total outstanding ownership interests in such16566qualifying investee, the following apply:16567

(1) On each day, an ownership interest owned, directly or
indirectly, by or for a qualifying closely-held C corporation,
an S corporation, a partnership other than a publicly traded
partnership, a qualifying limited liability company, an estate,
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or a trust that is irrevocable as defined in division (I)(3)(b) 16572 of section 5747.01 of the Revised Code is considered as being 16573 owned proportionately on the same day by the equity investors of 16574 such qualifying closely-held C corporation, S corporation, 16575 partnership, or qualifying limited liability company, or by the 16576 beneficiaries of such estate or trust, as the case may be. For 16577 the purposes of division (B)(1) of this section, a beneficiary's 16578 proportionate share of an ownership interest held by a trust 16579 shall be ascertained in accordance with section 544(a)(1) of the 16580 Internal Revenue Code. 16581

(2) On each day, a trust, hereinafter referred to as the 16582 first trust, is considered as owning any ownership interest 16583 owned, directly or indirectly, by or for another trust, 16584 hereinafter referred to as the second trust, if on the same day 16585 the second trust has at least one individual trustee who is 16586 either (a) a trustee of the first trust, or (b) a member of a 16587 family that includes at least one of the trustees of the first 16588 trust. 16589

(3) On each day, a trust, hereinafter referred to as the 16590 first trust, is considered as owning any ownership interest 16591 owned, directly or indirectly, by or for another trust, 16592 hereinafter referred to as the second trust, if on the same day 16593 the second trust has at least one qualifying individual 16594 beneficiary who is either (a) a qualifying individual 16595 beneficiary of the first trust or (b) a member of a family which 16596 includes a qualifying individual beneficiary of the first trust. 16597

(4) An ownership interest constructively owned by a person
by reason of the application of division (B) (1) of this section
shall, for the purpose of applying divisions (B) (1) to (3) of
this section, be treated as actually owned by that person.

(5) An ownership interest constructively owned by a trust
by reason of the application of division (B) (2) or (3) of this
section shall not be treated as actually owned by that trust for
purposes of applying divisions (B) (1) to (3) of this section.

(6) If an ownership interest may be considered as owned by
a trust under division (B)(1) or (2) of this section, the
ownership interest shall be considered owned by that trust under
division (B)(2) of this section.

(7) If an ownership interest may be considered as owned by
a trust under division (B)(1) or (3) of this section, the
ownership interest shall be considered owned by that trust under
division (B)(3) of this section.

Sec. 5747.012. This section applies for the purposes of16614divisions (BB) (AA) (3) and (BB) (4) (a) (ii) of section 5747.01 of16615the Revised Code.16616

(A) As used in this section:

(1) (a) Except as set forth in division (A) (1) (b) of this 16618 section, "qualifying investment income" means the portion of a 16619 qualifying investment pass-through entity's net income 16620 attributable to transaction fees in connection with the 16621 acquisition, ownership, or disposition of intangible property; 16622 loan fees; financing fees; consent fees; waiver fees; 16623 application fees; net management fees; dividend income; interest 16624 income; net capital gains from the sale or exchange or other 16625 disposition of intangible property; and all types and 16626 classifications of income attributable to distributive shares of 16627 income from other pass-through entities. 16628

(b) (i) Notwithstanding division (A) (1) (a) of this section,"qualifying investment income" does not include any part of the16630

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qualifying investment pass-through entity's net capital gain16631which, after the application of section 5747.231 of the Revised16632Code with respect to a trust, would also constitute a qualifying16633trust amount.16634

(ii) Notwithstanding division (A)(1)(a) of this section, 16635 "qualifying investment income" does not include any part of the 16636 qualifying investment pass-through entity's net income 16637 attributable to the portion of a distributive share of income 16638 directly or indirectly from another pass-through entity to the 16639 extent such portion constitutes the other pass-through entity's 16640 net capital gain which, after the application of section 16641 5747.231 of the Revised Code with respect to a trust, would also 16642 constitute a qualifying trust amount. 16643

(2) "Qualifying investment pass-through entity" means an
investment pass-through entity, as defined in section 5733.401
of the Revised Code, subject to the following qualifications:
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(a) "Forty per cent" shall be substituted for "ninety per
 cent" wherever "ninety per cent" appears in section 5733.401 of
 the Revised Code.
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(b) The pass-through entity must have been formed or 16650
organized as an entity prior to June 5, 2002, and must exist as 16651
a pass-through entity for all of the taxable year of the trust. 16652

(c) The qualifying section 5747.012 trust or related 16653 persons to the qualifying section 5747.012 trust must directly 16654 or indirectly own at least five per cent of the equity of the 16655 investment pass-through entity each day of the entity's fiscal 16656 or calendar year ending within or with the last day of the 16657 qualifying section 5747.012 trust's taxable year; 16658

(d) During the investment pass-through entity's calendar 16659

or fiscal year ending within or with the last day of the 16660 qualifying section 5747.012 trust's taxable year, the qualifying 16661 section 5747.012 trust or related persons of or to the 16662 qualifying section 5747.012 trust must, on each day of the 16663 investment pass-through entity's year, own directly, or own 16664 through equity investments in other pass-through entities, more 16665 than sixty per cent of the equity of the investment pass-through 16666 entity. 16667

(B) "Qualifying section 5747.012 trust" means a trust16668satisfying one of the following:16669

(1) The trust was created prior to, and was irrevocableon, June 5, 2002; or16671

(2) If the trust was created after June 4, 2002, or if the 16672 trust became irrevocable after June 4, 2002, then at least 16673 eighty per cent of the assets transferred to the trust must have 16674 been previously owned by related persons to the trust or by a 16675 trust created prior to June 5, 2002, under which the creator did 16676 not retain the power to change beneficiaries, amend the trust, 16677 or revoke the trust. For purposes of division (B)(2) of this 16678 section, the power to substitute property of equal value shall 16679 not be considered to be a power to change beneficiaries, amend 16680 the trust, or revoke the trust. 16681

(C) For the purposes of this section, "related persons"
means the family of a qualifying individual beneficiary, as
defined in division (A) (5) of section 5747.011 of the Revised
Code. For the purposes of this division, "family" has the same
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meaning as in division (A) (6) of section 5747.011 of the Revised
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Code.

(D) For the purposes of applying divisions (A) (2) (c), (A) 16688

(2) (d), and (B) (2) of this section, the related persons or the 16689
qualifying section 5747.012 trust, as the case may be, shall be 16690
deemed to own the equity of the investment pass-through entity 16691
after the application of division (B) of section 5747.011 of the 16692
Revised Code. 16693

(E) "Irrevocable" has the same meaning as in division (I)(3) (b) of section 5747.01 of the Revised Code.16695

(F) Nothing in this section requires any item of income, 16696
gain, or loss not satisfying the definition of qualifying 16697
investment income to be treated as modified nonbusiness income. 16698
Any item of income, gain, or loss that is not qualifying 16699
investment income is modified business income, modified 16700
nonbusiness income, or a qualifying trust amount, as the case 16701
may be. 16702

Sec. 5747.013. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Electric company," "combined company," and "telephone 16704
 company" have the same meanings as in section 5727.01 of the 16705
 Revised Code. 16706

(2) "Qualified research" means laboratory research, 16707 experimental research, and other similar types of research; 16708 research in developing or improving a product; or research in 16709 developing or improving the means of producing a product. It 16710 does not include market research, consumer surveys, efficiency 16711 surveys, management studies, ordinary testing or inspection of 16712 material or products for quality control, historical research, 16713 or literary research. "Product," as used in this paragraph, does 16714 not include services or intangible property. 16715

(B) The fraction to be used in calculating a trust's 16716 modified Ohio taxable income under division (BB)(AA)(4)(a) of 16717

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section 5747.01 of the Revised Code shall be determined as 16718 follows: The numerator of the fraction is the sum of the 16719 following products: the property factor multiplied by twenty, 16720 the payroll factor multiplied by twenty, and the sales factor 16721 multiplied by sixty. The denominator of the fraction is one 16722 hundred, provided that the denominator shall be reduced by 16723 twenty if the property factor has a denominator of zero, by 16724 twenty if the payroll factor has a denominator of zero, and by 16725 sixty if the sales factor has a denominator of zero. 16726

The property, payroll, and sales factors shall be 16727 determined as follows: 16728

(1) The property factor is a fraction the numerator of 16729 which is the average value of the trust's real and tangible 16730 personal property owned or rented and used in the trade or 16731 business in this state during the taxable year, and the 16732 denominator of which is the average value of all the trust's 16733 real and tangible personal property owned or rented and used in 16734 the trade or business everywhere during such year. Real and 16735 tangible personal property that is owned but leased to a lessee 16736 to be used in the lessee's trade or business shall not be 16737 included in the property factor of the owner. There shall be 16738 excluded from the numerator and denominator of the fraction the 16739 original cost of all of the following property within Ohio: 16740 property with respect to which a "pollution control facility" 16741 certificate has been issued pursuant to section 5709.21 of the 16742 Revised Code; property with respect to which an "industrial 16743 water pollution control certificate" has been issued pursuant to 16744 that section or former section 6111.31 of the Revised Code; and 16745 property used exclusively during the taxable year for qualified 16746 16747 research.

(a) Property owned by the trust is valued at its original
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cost. Property rented by the trust is valued at eight times the
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net annual rental rate. "Net annual rental rate" means the
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annual rental rate paid by the trust less any annual rental rate
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received by the trust from subrentals.

(b) The average value of property shall be determined by
averaging the values at the beginning and the end of the taxable
year, but the tax commissioner may require the averaging of
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monthly values during the taxable year, if reasonably required
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to reflect properly the average value of the trust's property.

(2) The payroll factor is a fraction the numerator of 16758 which is the total amount paid in this state during the taxable 16759 year by the trust for compensation, and the denominator of which 16760 is the total compensation paid everywhere by the trust during 16761 such year. There shall be excluded from the numerator and the 16762 denominator of the payroll factor the total compensation paid in 16763 this state to employees who are primarily engaged in qualified 16764 research. 16765

(a) Compensation is paid in this state if: (i) the 16766 recipient's service is performed entirely within this state; 16767 (ii) the recipient's service is performed both within and 16768 without this state, but the service performed without this state 16769 is incidental to the recipient's service within this state; or 16770 (iii) some of the service is performed within this state and 16771 either the base of operations, or if there is no base of 16772 operations, the place from which the service is directed or 16773 controlled, is within this state, or the base of operations or 16774 the place from which the service is directed or controlled is 16775 not in any state in which some part of the service is performed, 16776 but the recipient's residence is in this state. 16777

(b) Compensation is paid in this state to any employee of
a common or contract motor carrier corporation, who performs the
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employee's regularly assigned duties on a motor vehicle in more
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than one state, in the same ratio by which the mileage traveled
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by such employee within the state bears to the total mileage
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traveled by such employee everywhere during the taxable year.

(3) The sales factor is a fraction the numerator of which 16784 is the total sales in this state by the trust during the taxable 16785 year, and the denominator of which is the total sales by the 16786 trust everywhere during such year. In determining the numerator 16787 and denominator of the fraction, receipts from the sale or other 16788 disposal of a capital asset or an asset described in section 16789 1231 of the Internal Revenue Code shall be eliminated. Also, in 16790 determining the numerator and denominator of the sales factor, 16791 in the case of a trust owning at least eighty per cent of the 16792 issued and outstanding common stock of one or more insurance 16793 companies or public utilities, except an electric company and a 16794 combined company, and, for tax years 2005 and thereafter, a 16795 telephone company, or owning at least twenty-five per cent of 16796 the issued and outstanding common stock of one or more financial 16797 institutions, receipts received by the trust from such insurance 16798 companies, utilities, and financial institutions shall be 16799 eliminated. 16800

For the purpose of this section and section 5747.08 of the 16801 Revised Code, sales of tangible personal property are in this 16802 state where such property is received in this state by the 16803 purchaser. In the case of delivery of tangible personal property 16804 by common carrier or by other means of transportation, the place 16805 at which such property is ultimately received after all 16806 transportation has been completed shall be considered as the 16807 place at which such property is received by the purchaser. 16808

Direct delivery in this state, other than for purposes of 16809 transportation, to a person or firm designated by a purchaser 16810 constitutes delivery to the purchaser in this state, and direct 16811 delivery outside this state to a person or firm designated by a 16812 purchaser does not constitute delivery to the purchaser in this 16813 state, regardless of where title passes or other conditions of 16814 sale. 16815

Sales, other than sales of tangible personal property, are 16816 in this state if either: 16817

(a) The income-producing activity is performed solely in16818this state; or16819

(b) The income-producing activity is performed both within
 and without this state and a greater proportion of the seller's
 income-producing activity is performed within this state than in
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 any other state, based on costs of performance.

Sec. 5747.02. (A) For the purpose of providing revenue for 16824 the support of schools and local government functions, to 16825 provide relief to property taxpayers, to provide revenue for the 16826 general revenue fund, and to meet the expenses of administering 16827 16828 the tax levied by this chapter, there is hereby levied on every individual, trust, and estate residing in or earning or 16829 16830 receiving income in this state, on every individual, trust, and estate earning or receiving lottery winnings, prizes, or awards 16831 pursuant to Chapter 3770. of the Revised Code, on every 16832 individual, trust, and estate earning or receiving winnings on 16833 casino gaming, and on every individual, trust, and estate 16834 otherwise having nexus with or in this state under the 16835 Constitution of the United States, an annual tax measured as 16836 prescribed in divisions (A)(1) to (4) of this section. 16837

(1) In the case of trusts, the tax imposed by this section
shall be measured by modified Ohio taxable income under division
(D) of this section and levied in the same amount as the tax is
imposed on estates as prescribed in division (A) (2) of this
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section.

(2) In the case of estates, the tax imposed by this 16843 section shall be measured by Ohio taxable income. The tax shall 16844 be levied at the rate of one and forty-two thousand seven 16845 hundred forty-four hundred-thousandths per cent for the first 16846 twenty-one thousand seven hundred fifty dollars of such income 16847 and, for income in excess of that amount, the tax shall be 16848 levied at the same rates prescribed in division (A)(3) of this 16849 section for individuals. 16850

(3) In the case of individuals, the tax imposed by this 16851 section on income other than taxable business income shall be 16852 measured by Ohio adjusted gross income, less taxable business 16853 income and less an exemption for the taxpayer, the taxpayer's 16854 spouse, and each dependent as provided in section 5747.025 of 16855 the Revised Code. If the balance thus obtained is equal to or 16856 less than twenty-one thousand seven hundred fifty dollars, no 16857 tax shall be imposed on that balance. If the balance thus 16858 obtained is greater than twenty-one thousand seven hundred fifty 16859 dollars, the tax is hereby levied as follows: 16860

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TAX

A OHIO ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME
 LESS TAXABLE BUSINESS INCOME
 AND EXEMPTIONS (INDIVIDUALS)

OR MODIFIED OHIO TAXABLE INCOME (TRUSTS) OR OHIO TAXABLE INCOME (ESTATES)

- B More than \$21,750 but not \$310.47 plus 2.850% of the amount in more than \$43,450 excess of \$21,750
- C More than \$43,450 but not \$928.92 plus 3.326% of the amount in more than \$86,900 excess of \$43,450
- D More than \$86,900 but not \$2,374.07 plus 3.802% of the amount in more than \$108,700 excess of \$86,900
- E More than \$108,700 but not \$3,202.91 plus 4.413% of the amount in more than \$217,400 excess of \$108,700
- F More than \$217,400 \$7,999.84 plus 4.797% of the amount in excess of \$217,400

(4) (a) In the case of individuals, the tax imposed by this
section on taxable business income shall equal three per cent of
the result obtained by subtracting any amount allowed under
division (A) (4) (b) of this section from the individual's taxable
business income.

(b) If the exemptions allowed to an individual under
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division (A) (3) of this section exceed the taxpayer's Ohio
adjusted gross income less taxable business income, the excess
shall be deducted from taxable business income before computing
the tax under division (A) (4) (a) of this section.

(5) Except as otherwise provided in this division, in
August of each year, the tax commissioner shall make a new
adjustment to the income amounts prescribed in divisions (A) (2)
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and (3) of this section by multiplying the percentage increase 16875 in the gross domestic product deflator computed that year under 16876 section 5747.025 of the Revised Code by each of the income 16877 amounts resulting from the adjustment under this division in the 16878 preceding year, adding the resulting product to the 16879 corresponding income amount resulting from the adjustment in the 16880 preceding year, and rounding the resulting sum to the nearest 16881 multiple of fifty dollars. The tax commissioner also shall 16882 recompute each of the tax dollar amounts to the extent necessary 16883 to reflect the new adjustment of the income amounts. To 16884 recompute the tax dollar amount corresponding to the lowest tax 16885 rate in division (A)(3) of this section, the commissioner shall 16886 multiply the tax rate prescribed in division (A) (2) of this 16887 section by the income amount specified in that division and as 16888 adjusted according to this paragraph. The rates of taxation 16889 shall not be adjusted. 16890

The adjusted amounts apply to taxable years beginning in 16891 the calendar year in which the adjustments are made and to 16892 taxable years beginning in each ensuing calendar year until a 16893 calendar year in which a new adjustment is made pursuant to this 16894 division. The tax commissioner shall not make a new adjustment 16895 in any year in which the amount resulting from the adjustment 16896 would be less than the amount resulting from the adjustment in 16897 the preceding year. 16898

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

(D) This division applies only to taxable years of a trust 16911 beginning in 2002 or thereafter. 16912

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

(2) A resident trust may claim a credit against the tax 16916 computed under division  $\frac{(D)}{(C)}$  of this section equal to the 16917 lesser of (a) the tax paid to another state or the District of 16918 Columbia on the resident trust's modified nonbusiness income. 16919 other than the portion of the resident trust's nonbusiness 16920 income that is qualifying investment income as defined in 16921 section 5747.012 of the Revised Code, or (b) the effective tax 16922 rate, based on modified Ohio taxable income, multiplied by the 16923 resident trust's modified nonbusiness income other than the 16924 portion of the resident trust's nonbusiness income that is 16925 qualifying investment income. The credit applies before any 16926 other applicable credits. 16927

(3) The credits authorized by the following sections of 16928 the Revised Code do not apply to a trust subject to division (D)-16929 (C) of this section: section 5747.022, 5747.05, 5747.054, 16930 5747.055, 5747.27, 5747.37, 5747.66, or 5747.71 of the Revised 16931 Code. Any other credit authorized against the tax imposed by 16932 this section applies to a trust subject to division  $\frac{(D)}{(C)}$  of 16933 this section that otherwise qualifies for such a credit. To the 16934 extent that the trust distributes income for the taxable year 16935

for which a credit is available to the trust, the credit shall16936be shared by the trust and its beneficiaries. The tax16937commissioner and the trust shall be guided by applicable16938regulations of the United States treasury regarding the sharing16939of credits.16940

(E) (D) For the purposes of this section, "trust" means 16941 any trust described in Subchapter J of Chapter 1 of the Internal 16942 Revenue Code, excluding trusts that are not irrevocable as 16943 defined in division (I)(3)(b) of section 5747.01 of the Revised 16944 Code and that have no modified Ohio taxable income for the 16945 taxable year, charitable remainder trusts, qualified funeral 16946 trusts and preneed funeral contract trusts established pursuant 16947 to sections 4717.31 to 4717.38 of the Revised Code that are not 16948 qualified funeral trusts, endowment and perpetual care trusts, 16949 qualified settlement trusts and funds, designated settlement 16950 trusts and funds, and trusts exempted from taxation under 16951 section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. 16952

(F) (E) Nothing in division (A) (3) of this section shall16953prohibit an individual with an Ohio adjusted gross income, less16954taxable business income and exemptions, of twenty-one thousand16955seven hundred fifty dollars or less from filing a return under16956this chapter to receive a refund of taxes withheld or to claim16957any refundable credit allowed under this chapter.16958

Sec. 5747.058. (A) A refundable income tax credit granted 16959 by the tax credit authority under section 122.17 or former 16960 division (B)(2) or (3) of section 122.171 of the Revised Code, 16961 as those divisions existed before the effective date of the 16962 amendment of this section by H.B. 64 of the 131st general 16963 assembly, <u>September 29, 2015, may be claimed under this chapter</u>, 16964 in the order required under section 5747.98 of the Revised Code. 16965

For purposes of making tax payments under this chapter, taxes 16966 equal to the amount of the refundable credit shall be considered 16967 to be paid to this state on the first day of the taxable year. 16968 The refundable credit shall not be claimed for any taxable years 16969 ending with or following the calendar year in which a relocation 16970 of employment positions occurs in violation of an agreement 16971 entered into under section 122.17 or 122.171 of the Revised 16972 Code. 16973

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Sec. 5747.061. (A) As used in this section: 16978

(1) "State agency" means the general assembly, all courts, 16979
any department, division, institution, board, commission, 16980
authority, bureau, or other instrumentality of the state. 16981

(2) "Political subdivision" means a county, municipal
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 corporation, township, school district, or other body corporate
 and politic responsible for governmental activities in a
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 geographic area smaller than that of the state.

(3) "Legislative authority" means the board of county
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commissioners, the legislative authority of a municipal
corporation, the board of township trustees, the board of
education, or the board, council, commission, or other governing
body of any other political subdivision.

(4) "Fiscal officer" means the county auditor, the
treasurer of the municipal corporation, the clerk-treasurer of a
village, or the officer who, by virtue of the charter, has the
duties of the treasurer or clerk-treasurer, the township fiscal
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officer, the treasurer of the board of education, or, in the16995case of any state agency or other subdivision, the officer or16996person responsible for deducting and withholding from the16997compensation paid to an employee who is a taxpayer the amount of16998tax required to be withheld by section 5747.06 of the Revised16999Code.17000

(B) (1) The director or other chief administrator of any 17001 state agency, in accordance with rules adopted by the department 17002 of administrative services, may direct its fiscal officer to 17003 17004 deduct and withhold from the compensation paid to an employee who is a resident of a state with which the commissioner has 17005 entered into an agreement under division  $(A)\frac{(3)}{(2)}$  (2) of section 17006 5747.05 of the Revised Code, a tax computed in such a manner as 17007 to result, as far as practicable, in withholding from the 17008 compensation of the employee during each calendar year an amount 17009 substantially equivalent to the tax reasonably estimated to be 17010 due under the income tax laws of the state of residence of the 17011 employee with respect to the amount of such compensation 17012 included in gross income during the calendar year under those 17013 laws. 17014

(2) The legislative authority of a political subdivision 17015 may adopt a rule, ordinance, or resolution requiring the fiscal 17016 officer of the political subdivision to deduct and withhold from 17017 the compensation paid to an employee who is a resident of a 17018 state with which the tax commissioner has entered into an 17019 agreement under division (A)  $\frac{(3)}{(2)}$  of section 5747.05 of the 17020 Revised Code, a tax computed in such a manner as to result, as 17021 far as practicable, in withholding from the compensation of the 17022 employee during each calendar year an amount substantially 17023 equivalent to the tax reasonably estimated to be due under the 17024 income tax laws of the state of residence of the employee with 17025

respect to the amount of such compensation included in gross 17026 income during the calendar year under those laws. 17027

(3) Upon direction of the director or other chief 17028 administrator of a state agency, or adoption of a rule, 17029 ordinance, or resolution by a political subdivision under this 17030 division, the fiscal officer shall obtain from the official 17031 responsible for administering the income tax laws of the state 17032 of residence of the employee, information necessary to enable 17033 the fiscal officer to withhold the proper amount of tax from the 17034 compensation of the employee for the calendar year. 17035

(C) A fiscal officer who deducts and withholds tax from
the compensation of a nonresident employee shall file a
withholding return or other report and pay the full amount of
the tax deducted and withheld as required by the income tax laws
of the state of residence of the employee.

(D) A fiscal officer who deducts and withholds tax from 17041 the compensation of a nonresident employee shall furnish to that 17042 employee and to the official who is responsible for 17043 administering the income tax laws of the state of residence of 17044 the employee, a written statement showing the amount of 17045 compensation paid to the employee and the amount deducted and 17046 withheld from the compensation of the employee during the 17047 calendar year. The statement shall be furnished on or before the 17048 last day of January of the succeeding year, except that, with 17049 respect to an employee whose employment is terminated, the 17050 statement for the calendar year in which the last payment of 17051 compensation is made shall be furnished within thirty days from 17052 the date the last payment of compensation is made. 17053

Sec. 5747.07. (A) As used in this section: 17054

(1) "Partial weekly withholding period" means a period 17055 during which an employer directly, indirectly, or constructively 17056 pays compensation to, or credits compensation to the benefit of, 17057 an employee, and that consists of a consecutive Saturday, 17058 Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday or a consecutive Wednesday, 17059 Thursday, and Friday. There are two partial weekly withholding 17060 periods each week, except that a partial weekly withholding 17061 period cannot extend from one calendar year into the next 17062 calendar year; if the first day of January falls on a day other 17063 than Saturday or Wednesday, the partial weekly withholding 17064 period ends on the thirty-first day of December and there are 17065 three partial weekly withholding periods during that week. 17066

(2) "Undeposited taxes" means the taxes an employer is 17067
required to deduct and withhold from an employee's compensation 17068
pursuant to section 5747.06 of the Revised Code that have not 17069
been remitted to the tax commissioner pursuant to this section 17070
or to the treasurer of state pursuant to section 5747.072 of the 17071
Revised Code. 17072

(3) A "week" begins on Saturday and concludes at the endof the following Friday.17074

(4) "Client employer," "professional employer 17075
organization," "professional employer organization agreement," 17076
and "professional employer organization reporting entity" have 17077
the same meanings as in section 4125.01 of the Revised Code. 17078

(B) Except as provided in divisions (C) and (D) of this
section and in division (A) of section 5747.072 of the Revised
Code, every employer required to deduct and withhold any amount
under section 5747.06 of the Revised Code shall file a return
and shall pay the amount required by law as follows:

(1) An employer who accumulates or is required to 17084 accumulate undeposited taxes of one hundred thousand dollars or 17085 more during a partial weekly withholding period shall make the 17086 payment of the undeposited taxes by the close of the first 17087 banking day after the day on which the accumulation reaches one 17088 hundred thousand dollars. If required under division (I) of this 17089 section, the payment shall be made by electronic funds transfer 17090 under section 5747.072 of the Revised Code. 17091

(2) (a) Except as required by division (B) (1) of this 17092 17093 section, an employer described in division (B)(2)(b) of this section whose actual or required payments under this section 17094 were at least eighty-four thousand dollars during the twelve-17095 month period ending on the thirtieth day of June of the 17096 preceding calendar year shall make the payment of undeposited 17097 taxes within three banking days after the close of a partial 17098 weekly withholding period during which the employer was required 17099 to deduct and withhold any amount under this chapter. If 17100 required under division (I) of this section, the payment shall 17101 be made by electronic funds transfer under section 5747.072 of 17102 the Revised Code. 17103

(b) For amounts required to be deducted and withheld 17104 during 1994, an employer described in division (B) (2) (b) of this 17105 section is one whose actual or required payments under this 17106 section exceeded one hundred eighty thousand dollars during the 17107 twelve-month period ending June 30, 1993. For amounts required 17108 to be deducted and withheld during 1995 and each year 17109 thereafter, an employer described in division (B)(2)(b) of this 17110 section is one whose actual or required payments under this 17111 section were at least eighty four thousand dollars during the 17112 twelve month period ending on the thirtieth day of June of the 17113 17114 preceding calendar year.

(3) Except as required by divisions (B)(1) and (2) of this 17115 section, if an employer's actual or required payments were more 17116 than two thousand dollars during the twelve-month period ending 17117 on the thirtieth day of June of the preceding calendar year, the 17118 employer shall make the payment of undeposited taxes for each 17119 month during which they were required to be withheld no later 17120 than fifteen days following the last day of that month. The 17121 employer shall file the return prescribed by the tax 17122 commissioner with the payment. 17123

(4) Except as required by divisions (B) (1), (2), and (3)
of this section, an employer shall make the payment of
undeposited taxes for each calendar quarter during which they
were required to be withheld no later than the last day of the
month following the last day of March, June, September, and
December each year. The employer shall file the return
prescribed by the tax commissioner with the payment.

(C) The return and payment schedules prescribed by 17131 divisions (B)(1) and (2) of this section do not apply to the 17132 return and payment of undeposited school district income taxes 17133 arising from taxes levied pursuant to Chapter 5748. of the 17134 Revised Code. Undeposited school district income taxes shall be 17135 returned and paid pursuant to divisions (B)(3) and (4) of this 17136 section, as applicable. 17137

(D) (1) The requirements of division (B) of this section 17138 are met if the amount paid is not less than ninety-five per cent 17139 of the actual tax withheld or required to be withheld for the 17140 prior quarterly, monthly, or partial weekly withholding period, 17141 and the underpayment is not due to willful neglect. Any 17142 underpayment of withheld tax shall be paid within thirty days of 17143 the date on which the withheld tax was due without regard to 17144 division (D)(1) of this section. An employer described in 17145 division (B)(1) or (2) of this section shall make the payment by 17146 electronic funds transfer under section 5747.072 of the Revised 17147 Code. 17148

(2) If the tax commissioner believes that quarterly or 17149 monthly payments would result in a delay that might jeopardize the remittance of withholding payments, the commissioner may 17151 order that the payments be made weekly, or more frequently if 17152 necessary, and the payments shall be made no later than three 17153 banking days following the close of the period for which the 17154 jeopardy order is made. An order requiring weekly or more 17155 frequent payments shall be delivered to the employer personally 17156 or by certified mail and remains in effect until the 17157 commissioner notifies the employer to the contrary. 17158

(3) If compelling circumstances exist concerning the 17159 remittance of undeposited taxes, the commissioner may order the 17160 employer to make payments under any of the payment schedules 17161 under division (B) of this section. The order shall be delivered 17162 to the employer personally or by certified mail and shall remain 17163 in effect until the commissioner notifies the employer to the 17164 contrary. For purposes of division (D)(3) of this section, 17165 "compelling circumstances" exist if either or both of the 17166 following are true: 17167

(a) Based upon annualization of payments made or required 17168 to be made during the preceding calendar year and during the 17169 current calendar year, the employer would be required for the 17170 next calendar year to make payments under division (B)(2) of 17171 this section. 17172

(b) Based upon annualization of payments made or required 17173 to be made during the current calendar year, the employer would 17174

be required for the next calendar year to make payments under 17175 division (B)(2) of this section. 17176

(E) (1) An employer described in division (B) (1) or (2) of 17177 this section shall file, not later than the last day of the 17178 month following the end of each calendar quarter, a return 17179 covering, but not limited to, both the actual amount deducted 17180 and withheld and the amount required to be deducted and withheld 17181 for the tax imposed under section 5747.02 of the Revised Code 17182 during each partial weekly withholding period or portion of a 17183 17184 partial weekly withholding period during that quarter. The employer shall file the quarterly return even if the aggregate 17185 amount required to be deducted and withheld for the quarter is 17186 zero dollars. At the time of filing the return, the employer 17187 shall pay any amounts of undeposited taxes for the quarter, 17188 whether actually deducted and withheld or required to be 17189 deducted and withheld, that have not been previously paid. If 17190 required under division (I) of this section, the payment shall 17191 be made by electronic funds transfer. The tax commissioner shall 17192 prescribe the form and other requirements of the quarterly 17193 return. 17194

(2) In addition to other returns required to be filed and 17195 payments required to be made under this section, every employer 17196 required to deduct and withhold taxes shall file, not later than 17197 the thirty-first day of January of each year, an annual return 17198 covering, but not limited to, both the aggregate amount deducted 17199 and withheld and the aggregate amount required to be deducted 17200 and withheld during the entire preceding year for the tax 17201 imposed under section 5747.02 of the Revised Code and for each 17202 tax imposed under Chapter 5748. of the Revised Code. At the time 17203 of filing that return, the employer shall pay over any amounts 17204 of undeposited taxes for the preceding year, whether actually 17205

deducted and withheld or required to be deducted and withheld,17206that have not been previously paid. The employer shall make the17207annual report, to each employee and to the tax commissioner, of17208the compensation paid and each tax withheld, as the commissioner17209by rule may prescribe.17210

Each employer required to deduct and withhold any tax is 17211 liable for the payment of that amount required to be deducted 17212 and withheld, whether or not the tax has in fact been withheld, 17213 unless the failure to withhold was based upon the employer's 17214 good faith in reliance upon the statement of the employee as to 17215 liability, and the amount shall be deemed to be a special fund 17216 in trust for the general revenue fund. 17217

(F) Each employer shall file with the employer's annual
return the following items of information on employees for whom
withholding is required under section 5747.06 of the Revised
Code:

(1) The full name of each employee, the employee's 17222
address, the employee's school district of residence, and in the 17223
case of a nonresident employee, the employee's principal county 17224
of employment; 17225

(2) The social security number of each employee;

(3) The total amount of compensation paid before any
deductions to each employee for the period for which the annual
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return is made;

(4) The amount of the tax imposed by section 5747.02 of
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the Revised Code and the amount of each tax imposed under
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Chapter 5748. of the Revised Code withheld from the compensation
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of the employee for the period for which the annual return is
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made. The commissioner may extend upon good cause the period for
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filing any notice or return required to be filed under this 17235 section and may adopt rules relating to extensions of time. If 17236 the extension results in an extension of time for the payment of 17237 the amounts withheld with respect to which the return is filed, 17238 the employer shall pay, at the time the amount withheld is paid, 17239 an amount of interest computed at the rate per annum prescribed 17240 by section 5703.47 of the Revised Code on that amount withheld, 17241 from the day that amount was originally required to be paid to 17242 the day of actual payment or to the day an assessment is issued 17243 under section 5747.13 of the Revised Code, whichever occurs 17244 first. 17245

(5) In addition to all other interest charges and 17246 penalties imposed, all amounts of taxes withheld or required to 17247 be withheld and remaining unpaid after the day the amounts are 17248 required to be paid shall bear interest from the date prescribed 17249 for payment at the rate per annum prescribed by section 5703.47 17250 of the Revised Code on the amount unpaid, in addition to the 17251 amount withheld, until paid or until the day an assessment is 17252 issued under section 5747.13 of the Revised Code, whichever 17253 occurs first. 17254

(G) An employee of a corporation, limited liability 17255 17256 company, or business trust having control or supervision of or charged with the responsibility of filing the report and making 17257 payment, or an officer, member, manager, or trustee of a 17258 corporation, limited liability company, or business trust who is 17259 responsible for the execution of the corporation's, limited 17260 liability company's, or business trust's fiscal 17261 responsibilities, shall be personally liable for failure to file 17262 the report or pay the tax due as required by this section. The 17263 dissolution, termination, or bankruptcy of a corporation, 17264 limited liability company, or business trust does not discharge 17265

a responsible officer's, member's, manager's, employee's, or 17266 trustee's liability for a failure of the corporation, limited 17267 liability company, or business trust to file returns or pay tax 17268 due. 17269

(H) If an employer required to deduct and withhold income 17270 tax from compensation and to pay that tax to the state under 17271 sections 5747.06 and 5747.07 of the Revised Code sells the 17272 employer's business or stock of merchandise or quits the 17273 employer's business, the taxes required to be deducted and 17274 withheld and paid to the state pursuant to those sections prior 17275 to that time, together with any interest and penalties imposed 17276 on those taxes, become due and payable immediately, and that 17277 person shall make a final return within fifteen days after the 17278 date of selling or quitting business. The employer's successor 17279 shall withhold a sufficient amount of the purchase money to 17280 cover the amount of the taxes, interest, and penalties due and 17281 unpaid, until the former owner produces a receipt from the tax 17282 commissioner showing that the taxes, interest, and penalties 17283 have been paid or a certificate indicating that no such taxes 17284 are due. If the purchaser of the business or stock of 17285 merchandise fails to withhold purchase money, the purchaser 17286 shall be personally liable for the payment of the taxes, 17287 interest, and penalties accrued and unpaid during the operation 17288 of the business by the former owner. If the amount of taxes, 17289 interest, and penalties outstanding at the time of the purchase 17290 exceeds the total purchase money, the tax commissioner in the 17291 commissioner's discretion may adjust the liability of the seller 17292 or the responsibility of the purchaser to pay that liability to 17293 maximize the collection of withholding tax revenue. 17294

(I) (1) An employer described in division (I) (2) of this 17295 section whose actual or required payments under this section 17296

exceeded eighty-four thousand dollars during the twelve-month 17297 period ending on the thirtieth day of June of the preceding 17298 calendar year shall make all payments required by this section 17299 for the year by electronic funds transfer under section 5747.072 17300 of the Revised Code. 17301 17302 (2) (a) For 1994, an employer described in division (I) (2) of this section is one whose actual or required payments under 17303 this section exceeded five hundred thousand dollars during the 17304 twelve month period ending June 30, 1993. 17305 (b) For 1995, an employer described in division (I)(2) of 17306 this section is one whose actual or required payments under this 17307 section exceeded five hundred thousand dollars during the 17308 twelve-month period ending June 30, 1994. 17309 (c) For 1996, an employer described in division (I) (2) of 17310 this section is one whose actual or required payments under this 17311 section exceeded three hundred thousand dollars during the 17312 twelve month period ending June 30, 1995. 17313 (d) For 1997 through 2000, an employer described in 17314 17315 division (I)(2) of this section is one whose actual or required payments under this section exceeded one hundred eighty thousand 17316

dollars during the twelve-month period ending on the thirtieth17317day of June of the preceding calendar year.17318

(e) For 2001 and thereafter, an employer described in17319division (I)(2) of this section is one whose actual or required17320payments under this section exceeded eighty four thousand17321dollars during the twelve month period ending on the thirtieth17322day of June of the preceding calendar year.17323

(J)(1) Every professional employer organization and every 17324 professional employer organization reporting entity shall file a 17325

| report with the tax commissioner within thirty days after                | 17326 |
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| commencing business in this state <del>or within thirty days after</del> | 17327 |
| the effective date of this amendment, whichever is later, that           | 17328 |
| includes all of the following information:                               | 17329 |
| (a) The name, address, number the employer receives from                 | 17330 |

the secretary of state to do business in this state, if17331applicable, and federal employer identification number of each17332client employer of the professional employer organization or17333professional employer organization reporting entity;17334

(b) The date that each client employer became a client of 17335
the professional employer organization or professional employer 17336
organization reporting entity; 17337

(c) The names and mailing addresses of the chief executive
 officer and the chief financial officer of each client employer
 for taxation of the client employer.
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(2) Beginning with the calendar quarter ending after a 17341 professional employer organization or professional employer 17342 organization reporting entity files the report required under 17343 division (J)(1) of this section, and every calendar quarter 17344 thereafter, the professional employer organization or the 17345 professional employer organization reporting entity shall file 17346 an updated report with the tax commissioner. The professional 17347 employer organization or professional employer organization 17348 reporting entity shall file the updated report not later than 17349 the last day of the month following the end of the calendar 17350 quarter and shall include all of the following information in 17351 the report: 17352

(a) If an entity became a client employer of theprofessional employer organization or professional employer17354

organization reporting entity at any time during the calendar 17355 quarter, all of the information required under division (J)(1) 17356 of this section for each new client employer; 17357

(b) If an entity terminated the professional employer 17358 organization agreement between the professional employer 17359 organization or professional employer organization reporting 17360 entity and the entity at any time during the calendar quarter, 17361 the information described in division (J)(1)(a) of this section 17362 for that entity, the date during the calendar quarter that the 17363 17364 entity ceased being a client of the professional employer organization or professional employer organization reporting 17365 entity, if applicable, or the date the entity ceased business 17366 operations in this state, if applicable; 17367

(c) If the name or mailing address of the chief executive
officer or the chief financial officer of a client employer has
changed since the professional employer organization or
professional employer organization reporting entity previously
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submitted a report under division (J) (1) or (2) of this section,
the updated name or mailing address, or both, of the chief
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executive officer or the chief financial officer, as applicable;

(d) If none of the events described in divisions (J)(2)(a) 17375
to (c) of this section occurred during the calendar quarter, a 17376
statement of that fact. 17377

Sec. 5747.082. (A) As used in this section: 17378

(1) "Electronic technology" means electronic technology 17379
 acceptable to the tax commissioner under division (B) of this 17380
 section. 17381

(2) "Original tax return" means any report, return, or 17382other tax document required to be filed under this chapter for 17383

the purpose of reporting the taxes due under, and withholdings17384required by, this chapter. "Original tax return" does not17385include an amended return or any declaration or form required by17386or filed in connection with section 5747.09 of the Revised Code.17387

(3) "Related member" has the same meaning as in section 173885733.042 of the Revised Code. 17389

(4) "Tax return preparer" means any person that operates a 17390 business that prepares, or directly or indirectly employs 17391 17392 another person to prepare, for a taxpayer an original tax return in exchange for compensation or remuneration from the taxpayer 17393 or the taxpayer's related member. With respect to the 17394 preparation of a return or application for refund under this 17395 chapter, "tax return preparer" does not include an individual 17396 who performs only one or more of the following activities: 17397

(a) Furnishes typing, reproducing, or other mechanical17398assistance;17399

(b) Prepares an application for refund or a return on
behalf of an employer by whom the individual is regularly and
continuously employed, or on behalf of an officer or employee of
that employer;

(c) Prepares as a fiduciary an application for refund or a 17404return; 17405

(d) Prepares an application for refund or a return for a 17406
taxpayer in response to a notice of deficiency issued to the 17407
taxpayer or the taxpayer's related member, or in response to a 17408
waiver of restriction after the commencement of an audit of the 17409
taxpayer or the taxpayer's related member. 17410

(B) Divisions (C) and (D) of this section apply to thefiling of original tax returns that are due in a calendar year17412

only if the tax commissioner, by the last day of the calendar17413year immediately preceding the calendar year in which such17414returns are due, has published on the department of taxation's17415official internet web site at least one method of electronic17416technology acceptable to the commissioner for filing such17417returns.17418

(C) A tax return preparer that prepares more than seventy-17419 five original tax returns during any calendar year that ends 17420 before January 1, 2013, or that prepares more than eleven 17421 original tax returns during any calendar year that begins on or 17422 after January 1, 2013, shall use electronic technology to file 17423 with the tax commissioner all original tax returns prepared by 17424 the tax return preparer. This division does not apply to a tax 17425 return preparer in any calendar year that ends before January 1, 17426 2013, if, during the previous calendar year, the tax return 17427 preparer prepared no more than twenty five original tax returns. 17428 This division does not apply to a tax return preparer in any 17429 calendar year that begins on or after January 1, 2013, if, 17430 during the previous calendar year, the tax return preparer 17431 prepared not more than ten original tax returns. 17432

(D) If a tax return preparer required by this section to 17433 submit original tax returns by electronic technology files an 17434 original tax return by some means other than by electronic 17435 technology, the tax commissioner shall impose a penalty of fifty 17436 dollars for each return , in excess of seventy-five in calendar 17437 year 2010, 2011, or 2012, or in excess of eleven in any 17438 calendar year thereafter, that is not filed by electronic 17439 technology. Upon good cause shown by the tax return preparer, 17440 the tax commissioner may waive all or any portion of the penalty 17441 or may refund all or any portion of the penalty the tax return 17442 preparer has paid. 17443

Sec. 5747.11. (A) The tax commissioner shall refund to 17444 employers, qualifying entities, or taxpayers subject to a tax 17445 imposed under section 5733.41, 5747.02, or 5747.41, or Chapter 17446 5748. of the Revised Code the amount of any overpayment of such 17447 tax. 17448

(B) Except as otherwise provided under divisions (D) and 17449 (E) of this section, applications for refund shall be filed with 17450 the tax commissioner, on the form prescribed by the 17451 commissioner, within four years from the date of the illegal, 17452 17453 erroneous, or excessive payment of the tax, or within any additional period allowed by division (B) (3) (b) of section 17454 5747.05, division (E) of section 5747.10, division (A) of 17455 section 5747.13, or division (C) of section 5747.45 of the 17456 Revised Code. 17457

On filing of the refund application, the commissioner17458shall determine the amount of refund due and, if that amount17459exceeds one dollar, certify such amount to the director of17460budget and management and treasurer of state for payment from17461the tax refund fund created by section 5703.052 of the Revised17462Code. Payment shall be made as provided in division (C) of17463section 126.35 of the Revised Code.17464

(C) (1) Interest shall be allowed and paid at the rate per 17465 annum prescribed by section 5703.47 of the Revised Code on 17466 amounts refunded with respect to the tax imposed under section 17467 5747.02 or Chapter 5748. of the Revised Code from the date of 17468 the overpayment until the date of the refund of the overpayment, 17469 except that if any overpayment is refunded within ninety days 17470 after the final filing date of the annual return or ninety days 17471 after the return is filed, whichever is later, no interest shall 17472 be allowed on such overpayment. If the overpayment results from 17473

the carryback of a net operating loss or net capital loss to a 17474 previous taxable year, the overpayment is deemed not to have 17475 been made prior to the filing date, including any extension 17476 thereof, for the taxable year in which the net operating loss or 17477 net capital loss arises. For purposes of the payment of interest 17478 on overpayments, no amount of tax, for any taxable year, shall 17479 be treated as having been paid before the date on which the tax 17480 return for that year was due without regard to any extension of 17481 time for filing such return. 17482

(2) Interest shall be allowed at the rate per annum 17483 prescribed by section 5703.47 of the Revised Code on amounts 17484 refunded with respect to the taxes imposed under sections 17485 5733.41 and 5747.41 of the Revised Code. The interest shall run 17486 from whichever of the following days is the latest until the day 17487 the refund is paid: the day the illegal, erroneous, or excessive 17488 payment was made; the ninetieth day after the final day the 17489 annual report was required to be filed under section 5747.42 of 17490 the Revised Code; or the ninetieth day after the day that report 17491 was filed. 17492

(D) "Ninety days" shall be substituted for "four years" in
 division (B) of this section if the taxpayer satisfies both of
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 the following conditions:

(1) The taxpayer has applied for a refund based in wholeor in part upon section 5747.059 of the Revised Code;17497

(2) The taxpayer asserts that either the imposition or 17498
collection of the tax imposed or charged by this chapter or any 17499
portion of such tax violates the Constitution of the United 17500
States or the Constitution of Ohio. 17501

(E) (1) Division (E) (2) of this section applies only if all 17502

| of the following conditions are satisfied:                                      | 17503 |
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| (a) A qualifying entity pays an amount of the tax imposed                       | 17504 |
| by section 5733.41 or 5747.41 of the Revised Code;                              | 17505 |
| (b) The taxpayer is a qualifying investor as to that                            | 17506 |
| qualifying entity;  | 17507 |
| (c) The taxpayer did not claim the credit provided for in                       | 17508 |
| section 5747.059 of the Revised Code as to the tax described in                 | 17509 |
| division (E)(1)(a) of this section;   | 17510 |
| (d) The four-year period described in division (B) of this                      | 17511 |
| section has ended as to the taxable year for which the taxpayer                 | 17512 |
| otherwise would have claimed that credit.                                       | 17513 |
| (2) A taxpayer shall file an application for refund                             | 17514 |
| pursuant to division (E) of this section within one year after                  | 17515 |
| the date the payment described in division (E)(1)(a) of this                    | 17516 |
| section is made. An application filed under division (E)(2) of                  | 17517 |
| this section shall claim refund only of overpayments resulting                  | 17518 |
| from the taxpayer's failure to claim the credit described in                    | 17519 |
| division (E)(1)(c) of this section. Nothing in division (E) of                  | 17520 |
| this section shall be construed to relieve a taxpayer from                      | 17521 |
| complying with division <del>(A)(16) <u>(</u>A)(15)</del> of section 5747.01 of | 17522 |
| the Revised Code.   | 17523 |
| Sec. 5747.231. As used in this section, "adjusted                               | 17524 |
| qualifying amount" has the same meaning as in section 5733.40 of                | 17525 |
| the Revised Code.   | 17526 |
| This section does not apply to division <del>(BB)(AA)</del> (5)(a)(ii)          | 17527 |
| of section 5747.01 of the Revised Code.   | 17528 |
| Except as set forth in this section and except as                               | 17529 |
| otherwise provided in divisions (A) and (B) of section 5733.401                 | 17530 |

of the Revised Code, in making all apportionment, allocation, 17531 income, gain, loss, deduction, tax, and credit computations 17532 under this chapter, each person shall include in that person's 17533 items of business income, nonbusiness income, adjusted 17534 qualifying amounts, allocable income or loss, apportionable 17535 income or loss, property, compensation, and sales, the person's 17536 entire distributive share or proportionate share of the items of 17537 business income, nonbusiness income, adjusted qualifying 17538 amounts, allocable income or loss, apportionable income or loss, 17539 property, compensation, and sales of any pass-through entity in 17540 which the person has a direct or indirect ownership interest at 17541 any time during the person's taxable year. A pass-through 17542 entity's direct or indirect distributive share or proportionate 17543 share of any other pass-through entity's items of business 17544 income, nonbusiness income, adjusted qualifying amounts, 17545 allocable income or loss, apportionable income or loss, 17546 property, compensation, and sales shall be included for the 17547 purposes of computing the person's distributive share or 17548 proportionate share of the pass-through entity's items of 17549 business income, nonbusiness income, adjusted qualifying 17550 amounts, allocable income or loss, apportionable income or loss, 17551 property, compensation, and sales under this section. Those 17552 items shall be in the same form as was recognized by the pass-17553 through entity. 17554

Sec. 5747.41. For the same purposes for which the tax is 17555 levied under section 5747.02 of the Revised Code, there is 17556 hereby levied a withholding tax on every qualifying pass-through 17557 entity having at least one qualifying investor who is an 17558 individual and on every qualifying trust having at least one 17559 qualifying beneficiary who is an individual. The withholding tax 17560 imposed by this section is imposed on the sum of the adjusted 17561

qualifying amounts of a qualifying pass-through entity's17562qualifying investors who are individuals and on the sum of the17563adjusted qualifying amounts of a qualifying trust's qualifying17564beneficiaries, at the rate of five per cent of that sum.17565

The tax imposed by this section applies only if the 17566 qualifying entity has nexus with this state under the 17567 Constitution of the United States for any portion of the 17568 qualifying entity's qualifying taxable year, and the sum of the 17569 qualifying entity's adjusted qualifying amounts exceeds one 17570 thousand dollars for the qualifying entity's qualifying taxable 17571 year. 17572

The levy of the tax under this section does not prevent a17573municipal corporation or a joint economic development district17574created under section 715.70, 715.71, or 715.72 of the Revised17575Code from levying a tax on income.17576

Sec. 5747.51. (A) On or before the twenty-fifth day of 17577 July of each year, the tax commissioner shall make and certify 17578 to the county auditor of each county an estimate of the amount 17579 of the local government fund to be allocated to the undivided 17580 local government fund of each county for the ensuing calendar 17581 year, adjusting the total as required to account for 17582 subdivisions receiving local government funds under section 17583 5747.502 of the Revised Code. 17584

(B) At each annual regular session of the county budget 17585
commission convened pursuant to section 5705.27 of the Revised 17586
Code, each auditor shall present to the commission the 17587
certificate of the commissioner, the annual tax budget and 17588
estimates, and the records showing the action of the commission 17589
in its last preceding regular session. The commission, after 17590
extending to the representatives of each subdivision an 17591

opportunity to be heard, under oath administered by any member 17592 of the commission, and considering all the facts and information 17593 presented to it by the auditor, shall determine the amount of 17594 the undivided local government fund needed by and to be 17595 apportioned to each subdivision for current operating expenses, 17596 as shown in the tax budget of the subdivision. This 17597 17598 determination shall be made pursuant to divisions (C) to (I) of this section, unless the commission has provided for a formula 17599 pursuant to section 5747.53 of the Revised Code. The 17600 commissioner shall reduce the amount of funds from the undivided 17601 local government fund to a subdivision required to receive 17602 reduced funds under section 5747.502 of the Revised Code. 17603

Nothing in this section prevents the budget commission, 17604 for the purpose of apportioning the undivided local government 17605 fund, from inquiring into the claimed needs of any subdivision 17606 as stated in its tax budget, or from adjusting claimed needs to 17607 reflect actual needs. For the purposes of this section, "current 17608 operating expenses" means the lawful expenditures of a 17609 subdivision, except those for permanent improvements and except 17610 payments for interest, sinking fund, and retirement of bonds, 17611 notes, and certificates of indebtedness of the subdivision. 17612

(C) The commission shall determine the combined total of 17613 the estimated expenditures, including transfers, from the 17614 general fund and any special funds other than special funds 17615 established for road and bridge; street construction, 17616 maintenance, and repair; state highway improvement; and gas, 17617 water, sewer, and electric public utilities operated by a 17618 subdivision, as shown in the subdivision's tax budget for the 17619 ensuing calendar year. 17620

(D) From the combined total of expenditures calculated

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the tax budget:

deduct the following expenditures, if included in these funds in 17623 17624 (1) Expenditures for permanent improvements as defined in 17625 division (E) of section 5705.01 of the Revised Code; 17626 (2) In the case of counties and townships, transfers to 17627 the road and bridge fund, and in the case of municipalities, 17628

transfers to the street construction, maintenance, and repair 17629 fund and the state highway improvement fund; 17630

pursuant to division (C) of this section, the commission shall

(3) Expenditures for the payment of debt charges; 17631

(4) Expenditures for the payment of judgments. 17632

(E) In addition to the deductions made pursuant to 17633 division (D) of this section, revenues accruing to the general 17634 fund and any special fund considered under division (C) of this 17635 section from the following sources shall be deducted from the 17636 combined total of expenditures calculated pursuant to division 17637 (C) of this section: 17638

(1) Taxes levied within the ten-mill limitation, as 17639 defined in section 5705.02 of the Revised Code; 17640

(2) The budget commission allocation of estimated county 17641 public library fund revenues to be distributed pursuant to 17642 section 5747.48 of the Revised Code; 17643

(3) Estimated unencumbered balances as shown on the tax 17644 budget as of the thirty-first day of December of the current 17645 year in the general fund, but not any estimated balance in any 17646 special fund considered in division (C) of this section; 17647

(4) Revenue, including transfers, shown in the general 17648 fund and any special funds other than special funds established 17649

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for road and bridge; street construction, maintenance, and 17650 repair; state highway improvement; and gas, water, sewer, and 17651 electric public utilities, from all other sources except those 17652 that a subdivision receives from an additional tax or service 17653 charge voted by its electorate or receives from special 17654 assessment or revenue bond collection. For the purposes of this 17655 division, where the charter of a municipal corporation prohibits 17656 the levy of an income tax, an income tax levied by the 17657 legislative authority of such municipal corporation pursuant to 17658 an amendment of the charter of that municipal corporation to 17659 authorize such a levy represents an additional tax voted by the 17660 electorate of that municipal corporation. For the purposes of 17661 this division, any measure adopted by a board of county 17662 commissioners pursuant to section 322.02, 4504.02, or 5739.021 17663 of the Revised Code, including those measures upheld by the 17664 electorate in a referendum conducted pursuant to section 17665 322.021, 4504.021, or 5739.022 of the Revised Code, shall not be 17666 considered an additional tax voted by the electorate. 17667

Subject to division (G) (F) of section 5705.29 of the 17668 Revised Code, money in a reserve balance account established by 17669 a county, township, or municipal corporation under section 17670 5705.13 of the Revised Code shall not be considered an 17671 unencumbered balance or revenue under division (E) (3) or (4) of 17672 this section. Money in a reserve balance account established by 17673 a township under section 5705.132 of the Revised Code shall not 17674 be considered an unencumbered balance or revenue under division 17675 (E)(3) or (4) of this section. 17676

If a county, township, or municipal corporation has17677created and maintains a nonexpendable trust fund under section176785705.131 of the Revised Code, the principal of the fund, and any17679additions to the principal arising from sources other than the17680

reinvestment of investment earnings arising from such a fund, 17681 shall not be considered an unencumbered balance or revenue under 17682 division (E)(3) or (4) of this section. Only investment earnings 17683 arising from investment of the principal or investment of such 17684 additions to principal may be considered an unencumbered balance 17685 or revenue under those divisions. 17686

(F) The total expenditures calculated pursuant to division 17687
(C) of this section, less the deductions authorized in divisions 17688
(D) and (E) of this section, shall be known as the "relative 17689
need" of the subdivision, for the purposes of this section. 17690

(G) The budget commission shall total the relative need of
all participating subdivisions in the county, and shall compute
a relative need factor by dividing the total estimate of the
undivided local government fund by the total relative need of
all participating subdivisions.

(H) The relative need of each subdivision shall be 17696 multiplied by the relative need factor to determine the 17697 proportionate share of the subdivision in the undivided local 17698 government fund of the county; provided, that the maximum 17699 proportionate share of a county shall not exceed the following 17700 maximum percentages of the total estimate of the undivided local 17701 government fund governed by the relationship of the percentage 17702 of the population of the county that resides within municipal 17703 corporations within the county to the total population of the 17704 county as reported in the reports on population in Ohio by the 17705 department of development as of the twentieth day of July of the 17706 year in which the tax budget is filed with the budget 17707 commission: 17708

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- A Percentage of municipal population Percentage share of the county within the county: shall not exceed:
- B Less than forty-one per cent Sixty per cent
- C Forty-one per cent or more but less Fifty per cent than eighty-one per cent
- D Eighty-one per cent or more Thirty per cent

Where the proportionate share of the county exceeds the 17710 limitations established in this division, the budget commission 17711 shall adjust the proportionate shares determined pursuant to 17712 this division so that the proportionate share of the county does 17713 not exceed these limitations, and it shall increase the 17714 proportionate shares of all other subdivisions on a pro rata 17715 basis. In counties having a population of less than one hundred 17716 thousand, not less than ten per cent shall be distributed to the 17717 townships therein. 17718

(I) The proportionate share of each subdivision in the 17719 undivided local government fund determined pursuant to division 17720 (H) of this section for any calendar year shall not be less than 17721 the product of the average of the percentages of the undivided 17722 local government fund of the county as apportioned to that 17723 subdivision for the calendar years 1968, 1969, and 1970, 17724 multiplied by the total amount of the undivided local government 17725 fund of the county apportioned pursuant to former section 17726 5735.23 5739.23 of the Revised Code for the calendar year 1970. 17727 For the purposes of this division, the total apportioned amount 17728

for the calendar year 1970 shall be the amount actually 17729 allocated to the county in 1970 from the state collected 17730 intangible tax as levied by section 5707.03 of the Revised Code 17731 and distributed pursuant to section 5725.24 of the Revised Code, 17732 plus the amount received by the county in the calendar year 1970 17733 pursuant to division (B)(1) of former section 5739.21 of the 17734 Revised Code, and distributed pursuant to former section 5739.22 17735 of the Revised Code. If the total amount of the undivided local 17736 government fund for any calendar year is less than the amount of 17737 the undivided local government fund apportioned pursuant to 17738 former section 5739.23 of the Revised Code for the calendar year 17739 1970, the minimum amount guaranteed to each subdivision for that 17740 calendar year pursuant to this division shall be reduced on a 17741 basis proportionate to the amount by which the amount of the 17742 undivided local government fund for that calendar year is less 17743 than the amount of the undivided local government fund 17744 apportioned for the calendar year 1970. 17745

(J) On the basis of such apportionment, the county auditor
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shall compute the percentage share of each such subdivision in
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the undivided local government fund and shall at the same time
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certify to the tax commissioner the percentage share of the
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county as a subdivision. No payment shall be made from the
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undivided local government fund, except in accordance with such
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percentage shares.

Within ten days after the budget commission has made its17753apportionment, whether conducted pursuant to section 5747.51 or177545747.53 of the Revised Code, the auditor shall publish a list of17755the subdivisions and the amount each is to receive from the17756undivided local government fund and the percentage share of each17757subdivision, in a newspaper or newspapers of countywide17758circulation, and send a copy of such allocation to the tax17759

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| commissioner.  | 17760 |
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| The county auditor shall also send a copy of such                | 17761 |
| allocation by ordinary or electronic mail to the fiscal officer  | 17762 |
| of each subdivision entitled to participate in the allocation of | 17763 |
| the undivided local government fund of the county. This copy     | 17764 |

All money received into the treasury of a subdivision from 17767 the undivided local government fund in a county treasury shall 17768 be paid into the general fund and used for the current operating 17769 expenses of the subdivision. 17770

shall constitute the official notice of the commission action

referred to in section 5705.37 of the Revised Code.

If a municipal corporation maintains a municipal 17771 university, such municipal university, when the board of 17772 trustees so requests the legislative authority of the municipal 17773 corporation, shall participate in the money apportioned to such 17774 municipal corporation from the total local government fund, 17775 however created and constituted, in such amount as requested by 17776 the board of trustees, provided such sum does not exceed nine 17777 per cent of the total amount paid to the municipal corporation. 17778

If any public official fails to maintain the records 17779 required by sections 5747.50 to 5747.55 of the Revised Code or 17780 by the rules issued by the tax commissioner, the auditor of 17781 state, or the treasurer of state pursuant to such sections, or 17782 fails to comply with any law relating to the enforcement of such 17783 sections, the local government fund money allocated to the 17784 county may be withheld until such time as the public official 17785 has complied with such sections or such law or the rules issued 17786 pursuant thereto. 17787

Sec. 5747.52. The form used by the county budget 17788

| commission to calculate subdivision shares of the undivided      | 17789 |
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| local government fund as apportioned pursuant to section 5747.51 | 17790 |
| of the Revised Code shall be as follows:                         | 17791 |
| Calculation of (name of subdivision) share of undivided local    | 17792 |
| government fund for (name of county) county                      | 17793 |

1 2 Authorized expenditure for subdivision Total А 1. Estimated expenditures from general fund В . . . . . С 2. Estimated expenditures from special funds other than . . . . . those established for road and bridge, street construction, maintenance, and state highway improvement, and for gas, water, sewer, and electric public utilities 3. Total D . . . . . Е Deductions from authorized expenditures 4. Expenditures for permanent improvements F . . . . . G 5. Transfers to road and bridge fund (counties and . . . . . townships only) Η 6. Transfers to street construction, maintenance, and . . . . . repair, and state highway improvements funds 7. Expenditures for the payment of debt charges Ι . . . . .

J 8. Expenditures for the payment of judgments .....

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 L 10. Budget commission allocation of estimated county public ..... library fund revenues
 M 11. Estimated <u>unemcumbered\_unencumbered</u> balances as of ..... December 31 of current year in the general funds as stated in the tax budget
 N 12. Revenue, including transfers, shown in the general fund ..... or any special funds other than special funds established

9. Taxes levied inside the "ten-mill limitation"

- for road and bridge, street construction, maintenance, and repair, and state highway improvement, and for gas, water, sewer, and electric public utilities, from all other sources except those from additional taxes or service charges voted by electorate as defined in division (E)(4) of section 5747.51 of the Revised Code, and except revenue from special assessment and revenue bond collections
- 0 13. Total
- P Calculation of subdivision share
- Q 14. Relative need of subdivision (line 3 less line 13) ....
- R 15. Relative need factor for county (total estimate of .... undivided local government fund divided by total relative need of all participating subdivisions)
- S 16. Proportionate share of subdivision (relative need of ..... subdivision multiplied by relative need factor)
- T 17. After any adjustments necessary to comply with .....

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statutory maximum share allowable to county

- U 18. After any adjustments necessary to comply with ..... statutory minimum share allowable to townships
- V 19. After any adjustments necessary to comply with minimum ..... guarantee in division (I) of section 5747.51 of the Revised Code
- W 20. Proportionate share of subdivision (line 16, 17, 18, or ..... 19, whichever is appropriate)

Sec. 5747.55. The action of the county budget commission 17795 under sections section 5747.51 and 5747.62 of the Revised Code 17796 may be appealed to the board of tax appeals in the manner and 17797 with the effect provided in section 5705.37 of the Revised Code, 17798 in accordance with the following rules: 17799

(A) The notice of appeal shall be signed by the authorized 17800fiscal officer and shall set forth in clear and concise 17801language: 17802

(1) A statement of the action of the budget commission
appealed from, and the date of the receipt by the subdivision of
the official certificate or notice of such action;
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(2) The error or errors the taxing district believes the 17806budget commission made; 17807

- (3) The specific relief sought by the taxing district. 17808
- (B) The notice of appeal shall have attached thereto: 17809

(1) A certified copy of the resolution of the taxingauthority authorizing the fiscal officer to file the appeal;17811

| (2) An exact copy of the official certificate, or notice         | 17812 |
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| of the action of the budget commission appealed from;            | 17813 |
| (3) An exact copy of the budget request filed with the           | 17814 |
| budget commission by the complaining subdivision, with the date  | 17815 |
| of filing noted thereon.   | 17816 |
| (C) There shall also be attached to the notice of appeal a       | 17817 |
| statement showing:   | 17818 |
| (1) The name of the fund involved, the total amount in           | 17819 |
| dollars allocated, and the exact amount in dollars allocated to  | 17820 |
| each participating subdivision;                                  | 17821 |
| (2) The amount in dollars which the complaining                  | 17822 |
| subdivision believes it should have received;                    | 17823 |
| (3) The name of each participating subdivision, as well as       | 17824 |
| the name and address of the fiscal officer thereof, that the     | 17825 |
| complaining subdivision believes received more than its proper   | 17826 |
| share of the allocation, and the exact amount in dollars of such | 17827 |
| alleged over-allocation.   | 17828 |
| (D) Only the participating subdivisions named pursuant to        | 17829 |
| division (C) of this section are to be considered as appellees   | 17830 |
| before the board of tax appeals and no change shall, in any      | 17831 |
| amount, be made in the amount allocated to participating         | 17832 |
| subdivisions not appellees.                                      | 17833 |
| (E) The total of the undivided local government fund or          | 17834 |
| undivided local government revenue assistance fund to be         | 17835 |
| allocated by the board of tax appeals upon appeal is the total   | 17836 |
| of that fund allocated by the budget commission to those         | 17837 |
| subdivisions which are appellants and appellees before the board | 17838 |
| of tax appeals.  | 17839 |

Sec. 5747.98. (A) To provide a uniform procedure for 17840 calculating a taxpayer's aggregate tax liability under section 17841 5747.02 of the Revised Code, a taxpayer shall claim any credits 17842 to which the taxpayer is entitled in the following order: 17843 (1) Either the retirement income credit under division (B) 17844 of section 5747.055 of the Revised Code or the lump sum 17845 retirement income credits under divisions (C), (D), and (E) of 17846 that section; 17847 (2) Either the senior citizen credit under division (F) of 17848 section 5747.055 of the Revised Code or the lump sum 17849 distribution credit under division (G) of that section; 17850 (3) The dependent care credit under section 5747.054 of 17851 the Revised Code; 17852 (4) The credit for displaced workers who pay for job 17853 training under section 5747.27 of the Revised Code; 17854 (5) The twenty-dollar personal exemption credit under 17855 section 5747.022 of the Revised Code; 17856 (6) The joint filing credit under division (G) of section 17857 5747.05 of the Revised Code; 17858 (7) The earned income credit under section 5747.71 of the 17859 Revised Code; 17860 (8) The credit for adoption of a minor child under section 17861 5747.37 of the Revised Code; 17862 (9) The nonrefundable job retention credit under division 17863 (B) of section 5747.058 of the Revised Code; 17864 (10) The enterprise zone credit under section 5709.66 of 17865 the Revised Code; 17866

| (11) The ethanol plant investment credit under section                      | 17867 |
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| 5747.75 of the Revised Code;  | 17868 |
| (12) The credit for purchases of qualifying grape                           | 17869 |
| production property under section 5747.28 of the Revised Code;              | 17870 |
| <del>(13) <u>(12)</u> The small business investment credit under</del>      | 17871 |
| section 5747.81 of the Revised Code;  | 17872 |
| <del>(14) <u>(13)</u> The nonrefundable lead abatement credit under</del>   | 17873 |
| section 5747.26 of the Revised Code;  | 17874 |
| (15) (14) The opportunity zone investment credit under                      | 17875 |
| section 122.84 of the Revised Code;   | 17876 |
| (16) (15) The enterprise zone credits under section                         | 17877 |
| 5709.65 of the Revised Code;  | 17878 |
| (17) (16) The research and development credit under                         | 17879 |
| section 5747.331 of the Revised Code;                                       | 17880 |
| (18) (17) The credit for rehabilitating a historic                          | 17881 |
| building under section 5747.76 of the Revised Code;                         | 17882 |
| <del>(19) <u>(</u>18) The</del> nonresident credit under division (A) of    | 17883 |
| section 5747.05 of the Revised Code;  | 17884 |
| <del>(20) <u>(19)</u> The credit for a resident's out-of-state income</del> | 17885 |
| under division (B) of section 5747.05 of the Revised Code;                  | 17886 |
| (21) (20) The refundable motion picture and broadway                        | 17887 |
| theatrical production credit under section 5747.66 of the                   | 17888 |
| Revised Code;   | 17889 |
| (22) (21) The refundable jobs creation credit or job                        | 17890 |
| retention credit under division (A) of section 5747.058 of the              | 17891 |
| Revised Code;   | 17892 |
| <del>(23) <u>(22)</u> The refundable credit for taxes paid by a</del>       | 17893 |

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| qualifying entity granted under section 5747.059 of the Revised        | 17894      |
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| Code;  | 17895      |
| (24) (23) The refundable credits for taxes paid by a                   | 17896      |
| qualifying pass-through entity granted under division (I) of           | 17897      |
| section 5747.08 of the Revised Code;                                   | 17898      |
| section 3747.06 of the Revised Code;                                   | 1/090      |
| (25) (24) The refundable credit under section 5747.80 of               | 17899      |
| the Revised Code for losses on loans made to the Ohio venture          | 17900      |
| capital program under sections 150.01 to 150.10 of the Revised         | 17901      |
| Code;  | 17902      |
| <del>(26) <u>(25)</u> The refundable credit for rehabilitating a</del> | 17903      |
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| historic building under section 5747.76 of the Revised Code.           | 17904      |
| (B) For any credit, except the refundable credits                      | 17905      |
| enumerated in this section and the credit granted under division       | 17906      |
| (H) of section 5747.08 of the Revised Code, the amount of the          | 17907      |
| credit for a taxable year shall not exceed the taxpayer's              | 17908      |
| aggregate amount of tax due under section 5747.02 of the Revised       | 17909      |
| Code, after allowing for any other credit that precedes it in          | 17910      |
| the order required under this section. Any excess amount of a          | 17911      |
| particular credit may be carried forward if authorized under the       | 17912      |
| section creating that credit. Nothing in this chapter shall be         | 17913      |
| construed to allow a taxpayer to claim, directly or indirectly,        | 17914      |
| a credit more than once for a taxable year.                            | 17915      |
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| Sec. 5748.08. (A) The board of education of a city, local,             | 17916      |
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or exempted village school district, at any time by a vote of 17917 two-thirds of all its members, may declare by resolution that it 17918 may be necessary for the school district to do all of the 17919 following: 17920

(1) Raise a specified amount of money for school districtpurposes by levying an annual tax on school district income;17922

(2) Issue general obligation bonds for permanent
improvements, stating in the resolution the necessity and
purpose of the bond issue and the amount, approximate date,
estimated rate of interest, and maximum number of years over
which the principal of the bonds may be paid;
(3) Levy a tax outside the ten-mill limitation to pay debt
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charges on the bonds and any anticipatory securities;
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(4) Submit the question of the school district income tax
and bond issue to the electors of the district at a special
election.

The resolution shall specify whether the income that is to 17933 be subject to the tax is taxable income of individuals and 17934 estates as defined in divisions (E)(1)(a) and (2) of section 17935 5748.01 of the Revised Code or taxable income of individuals as 17936 defined in division (E)(1)(b) of that section. 17937

On adoption of the resolution, the board shall certify a 17938 copy of it to the tax commissioner and the county auditor no 17939 later than one hundred five days prior to the date of the 17940 special election at which the board intends to propose the 17941 income tax and bond issue. Not later than ten days of receipt of 17942 the resolution, the tax commissioner, in the same manner as 17943 required by division (A) of section 5748.02 of the Revised Code, 17944 shall estimate the rates designated in divisions (A)(1) and (2)17945 of that section and certify them to the board. Not later than 17946 ten days of receipt of the resolution, the county auditor shall 17947 estimate and certify to the board the average annual property 17948 tax rate required throughout the stated maturity of the bonds to 17949 pay debt charges on the bonds, in the same manner as under 17950 division (C) of section 133.18 of the Revised Code. 17951

(B) On receipt of the tax commissioner's and county 17952 auditor's certifications prepared under division (A) of this 17953 section, the board of education of the city, local, or exempted 17954 village school district, by a vote of two-thirds of all its 17955 members, may adopt a resolution proposing for a specified number 17956 of years or for a continuing period of time the levy of an 17957 annual tax for school district purposes on school district 17958 income and declaring that the amount of taxes that can be raised 17959 within the ten-mill limitation will be insufficient to provide 17960 an adequate amount for the present and future requirements of 17961 the school district; that it is necessary to issue general 17962 obligation bonds of the school district for specified permanent 17963 improvements and to levy an additional tax in excess of the ten-17964 mill limitation to pay the debt charges on the bonds and any 17965 anticipatory securities; and that the question of the bonds and 17966 taxes shall be submitted to the electors of the school district 17967 at a special election, which shall not be earlier than ninety 17968 days after certification of the resolution to the board of 17969 elections, and the date of which shall be consistent with 17970 section 3501.01 of the Revised Code. The resolution shall 17971 specify all of the following: 17972

(1) The purpose for which the school district income tax
is to be imposed and the rate of the tax, which shall be the
rate set forth in the tax commissioner's certification rounded
to the nearest one-fourth of one per cent;

(2) Whether the income that is to be subject to the tax is
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taxable income of individuals and estates as defined in
divisions (E) (1) (a) and (2) of section 5748.01 of the Revised
Code or taxable income of individuals as defined in division (E)
(1) (b) of that section. The specification shall be the same as
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the specification in the resolution adopted and certified under

division (A) of this section.

(3) The number of years the tax will be levied, or that itwill be levied for a continuing period of time;17985

(4) The date on which the tax shall take effect, which
shall be the first day of January of any year following the year
in which the question is submitted;
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(5) The county auditor's estimate of the average annual
property tax rate required throughout the stated maturity of the
bonds to pay debt charges on the bonds.
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17992 (C) A resolution adopted under division (B) of this section shall go into immediate effect upon its passage, and no 17993 publication of the resolution shall be necessary other than that 17994 provided for in the notice of election. Immediately after its 17995 adoption and at least ninety days prior to the election at which 17996 the question will appear on the ballot, the board of education 17997 shall certify a copy of the resolution, along with copies of the 17998 auditor's estimate and its resolution under division (A) of this 17999 section, to the board of elections of the proper county. The 18000 board of education elections shall make the arrangements for the 18001 18002 submission of the question to the electors of the school district, and the election shall be conducted, canvassed, and 18003 certified in the same manner as regular elections in the 18004 district for the election of county officers. 18005

The resolution shall be put before the electors as one 18006 ballot question, with a majority vote indicating approval of the 18007 school district income tax, the bond issue, and the levy to pay 18008 debt charges on the bonds and any anticipatory securities. The 18009 board of elections shall publish the notice of the election in a 18010 newspaper of general circulation in the school district once a 18011

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| week for two consecutive weeks, or as provided in section 7.16  | 18012 |
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| of the Revised Code, prior to the election. If the board of     | 18013 |
| elections operates and maintains a web site, it also shall post | 18014 |
| notice of the election on its web site for thirty days prior to | 18015 |
| the election. The notice of election shall state all of the     | 18016 |
| following:  | 18017 |
| (1) The questions to be submitted to the electors;              | 18018 |
| (2) The rate of the school district income tax;                 | 18019 |
| (3) The principal amount of the proposed bond issue;            | 18020 |
| (4) The permanent improvements for which the bonds are to       | 18021 |
| be issued;  | 18022 |
| (5) The maximum number of years over which the principal        | 18023 |
| of the bonds may be paid;                                       | 18024 |
| (c) The estimated additional eveness appual property tor        | 18025 |
| (6) The estimated additional average annual property tax        | 18025 |
| rate to pay the debt charges on the bonds, as certified by the  |       |
| county auditor;   | 18027 |
| (7) The time and place of the special election.                 | 18028 |
| (D) The form of the ballot on a question submitted to the       | 18029 |
| electors under this section shall be as follows:                | 18030 |
| "Shall the school district be authorized to do                  | 18031 |
| both of the following:  | 18032 |
| (1) Impose an annual income tax of (state the                   | 18033 |
| proposed rate of tax) on the school district income of          | 18034 |
| individuals and of estates, for (state the number of            | 18035 |
| years the tax would be levied, or that it would be levied for a | 18036 |
| continuing period of time), beginning (state the date           | 18037 |
| the tax would first take effect), for the purpose of            | 18038 |
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(state the purpose of the tax)?

(2) Issue bonds for the purpose of ..... in the 18040 principal amount of \$...., to be repaid annually over a 18041 maximum period of ..... years, and levy a property tax outside 18042 the ten-mill limitation estimated by the county auditor to 18043 average over the bond repayment period ..... mills for each 18044 one dollar of tax valuation, which amounts to ..... (rate 18045 expressed in cents or dollars and cents, such as "36 cents" or 18046 "\$1.41") for each \$100 of tax valuation, to pay the annual debt 18047 18048 charges on the bonds, and to pay debt charges on any notes issued in anticipation of those bonds? 18049

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| FOR THE INCOME TAX AND BOND ISSUE     |   |
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| AGAINST THE INCOME TAX AND BOND ISSUE | " |

(E) If the question submitted to electors proposes a 18051
school district income tax only on the taxable income of 18052
individuals as defined in division (E) (1) (b) of section 5748.01 18053
of the Revised Code, the form of the ballot shall be modified by 18054
stating that the tax is to be levied on the "earned income of 18055
individuals residing in the school district" in lieu of the 18056
"school district income of individuals and of estates." 18057

(F) The board of elections promptly shall certify the
results of the election to the tax commissioner and the county
auditor of the county in which the school district is located.
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If a majority of the electors voting on the question vote in
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favor of it, the income tax and the applicable provisions of
Chapter 5747. of the Revised Code shall take effect on the date

specified in the resolution, and the board of education may 18064 proceed with issuance of the bonds and with the levy and 18065 collection of the property taxes to pay debt charges on the 18066 bonds, at the additional rate or any lesser rate in excess of 18067 the ten-mill limitation. Any securities issued by the board of 18068 education under this section are Chapter 133. securities, as 18069 that term is defined in section 133.01 of the Revised Code. 18070

(G) After approval of a question under this section, the 18071 board of education may anticipate a fraction of the proceeds of 18072 the school district income tax in accordance with section 18073 5748.05 of the Revised Code. Any anticipation notes under this 18074 division shall be issued as provided in section 133.24 of the 18075 Revised Code, shall have principal payments during each year 18076 after the year of their issuance over a period not to exceed 18077 five years, and may have a principal payment in the year of 18078 their issuance. 18079

(H) The question of repeal of a school district income tax
levied for more than five years may be initiated and submitted
in accordance with section 5748.04 of the Revised Code.
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(I) No board of education shall submit a question under
this section to the electors of the school district more than
twice in any calendar year. If a board submits the question
twice in any calendar year, one of the elections on the question
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shall be held on the date of the general election.

Sec. 5748.09. (A) The board of education of a city, local, 18088 or exempted village school district, at any time by a vote of 18089 two-thirds of all its members, may declare by resolution that it 18090 may be necessary for the school district to do all of the 18091 following: 18092

(1) Raise a specified amount of money for school districtpurposes by levying an annual tax on school district income;18094

(2) Levy an additional property tax in excess of the tenmill limitation for the purpose of providing for the necessary
requirements of the district, stating in the resolution the
amount of money to be raised each year for such purpose;

(3) Submit the question of the school district income tax
and property tax to the electors of the district at a special
election.

The resolution shall specify whether the income that is to18102be subject to the tax is taxable income of individuals and18103estates as defined in divisions (E) (1) (a) and (2) of section181045748.01 of the Revised Code or taxable income of individuals as18105defined in division (E) (1) (b) of that section.18106

On adoption of the resolution, the board shall certify a 18107 copy of it to the tax commissioner and the county auditor not 18108 later than one hundred days prior to the date of the special 18109 election at which the board intends to propose the income tax 18110 and property tax. Not later than ten days after receipt of the 18111 18112 resolution, the tax commissioner, in the same manner as required by division (A) of section 5748.02 of the Revised Code, shall 18113 estimate the rates designated in divisions (A)(1) and (2) of 18114 that section and certify them to the board. Not later than ten 18115 days after receipt of the resolution, the county auditor, in the 18116 same manner as required by section 5705.195 of the Revised Code, 18117 shall make the calculation specified in that section and certify 18118 it to the board. 18119

(B) On receipt of the tax commissioner's and countyauditor's certifications prepared under division (A) of this18121

section, the board of education of the city, local, or exempted 18122 village school district, by a vote of two-thirds of all its 18123 members, may adopt a resolution declaring that the amount of 18124 taxes that can be raised by all tax levies the district is 18125 authorized to impose, when combined with state and federal 18126 revenues, will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for 18127 the present and future requirements of the school district, and 18128 that it is therefore necessary to levy, for a specified number 18129 of years or for a continuing period of time, an annual tax for 18130 school district purposes on school district income, and to levy, 18131 for a specified number of years not exceeding ten or for a 18132 continuing period of time, an additional property tax in excess 18133 of the ten-mill limitation for the purpose of providing for the 18134 necessary requirements of the district, and declaring that the 18135 question of the school district income tax and property tax 18136 shall be submitted to the electors of the school district at a 18137 special election, which shall not be earlier than ninety days 18138 after certification of the resolution to the board of elections, 18139 and the date of which shall be consistent with section 3501.01 18140 of the Revised Code. The resolution shall specify all of the 18141 following: 18142

(1) The purpose for which the school district income tax
is to be imposed and the rate of the tax, which shall be the
rate set forth in the tax commissioner's certification rounded
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to the nearest one-fourth of one per cent;

(2) Whether the income that is to be subject to the tax is
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taxable income of individuals and estates as defined in
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divisions (E) (1) (a) and (2) of section 5748.01 of the Revised
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Code or taxable income of individuals as defined in division (E)
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(1) (b) of that section. The specification shall be the same as
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the specification in the resolution adopted and certified under
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division (A) of this section.

(3) The number of years the school district income tax
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will be levied, or that it will be levied for a continuing
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period of time;

(4) The date on which the school district income tax shall
take effect, which shall be the first day of January of any year
following the year in which the question is submitted;
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(5) The amount of money it is necessary to raise for the
purpose of providing for the necessary requirements of the
district for each year the property tax is to be imposed;
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(6) The number of years the property tax will be levied,18163or that it will be levied for a continuing period of time;18164

(7) The tax list upon which the property tax shall be18165first levied, which may be the current year's tax list;18166

(8) The amount of the average tax levy, expressed in
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dollars and cents for each one hundred dollars of valuation as
well as in mills for each one dollar of valuation, estimated by
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the county auditor under division (A) of this section.

(C) A resolution adopted under division (B) of this 18171 section shall go into immediate effect upon its passage, and no 18172 publication of the resolution shall be necessary other than that 18173 provided for in the notice of election. Immediately after its 18174 adoption and at least ninety days prior to the election at which 18175 the question will appear on the ballot, the board of education 18176 shall certify a copy of the resolution, along with copies of the 18177 county auditor's certification and the resolution under division 18178 (A) of this section, to the board of elections of the proper 18179 county. The board of education shall make the arrangements for 18180 the submission of the question to the electors of the school 18181

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district, and the election shall be conducted, canvassed, and 18182 certified in the same manner as regular elections in the 18183 district for the election of county officers. 18184 The resolution shall be put before the electors as one 18185 ballot question, with a majority vote indicating approval of the 18186 school district income tax and the property tax. The board of 18187 elections shall publish the notice of the election in a 18188 newspaper of general circulation in the school district once a 18189 week for two consecutive weeks, or as provided in section 7.16 18190 18191 of the Revised Code, prior to the election. If the board of elections operates and maintains a web site, also shall post 18192

# notice of the election on its web site for thirty days prior to 18193 the election. The notice of election shall state all of the 18194 following: 18195

 The questions to be submitted to the electors as a single ballot question;

(2) The rate of the school district income tax;

(3) The number of years the school district income tax
will be levied or that it will be levied for a continuing period
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of time;

(4) The annual proceeds of the proposed property tax levy
for the purpose of providing for the necessary requirements of
the district;

(5) The number of years during which the property tax levy18205shall be levied, or that it shall be levied for a continuing18206period of time;

(6) The estimated average additional tax rate of theproperty tax, expressed in dollars and cents for each onehundred dollars of valuation as well as in mills for each one18209

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dollar of valuation, outside the limitation imposed by Section 2 18211 of Article XII, Ohio Constitution, as certified by the county 18212 auditor; 18213 (7) The time and place of the special election. 18214 (D) The form of the ballot on a question submitted to the 18215 electors under this section shall be as follows: 18216 "Shall the ..... school district be authorized to do both 18217 of the following: 18218 (1) Impose an annual income tax of ..... (state the 18219 proposed rate of tax) on the school district income of 18220 individuals and of estates, for ..... (state the number of 18221 years the tax would be levied, or that it would be levied for a 18222 continuing period of time), beginning ..... (state the date 18223 the tax would first take effect), for the purpose of ..... 18224 (state the purpose of the tax)? 18225 (2) Impose a property tax levy outside of the ten-mill 18226 limitation for the purpose of providing for the necessary 18227 requirements of the district in the sum of ..... 18228 (here insert annual amount the levy is to produce), estimated by 18229 the county auditor to average ..... (here insert 18230 number of mills) mills for each one dollar of valuation, which 18231 amounts to ...... (here insert rate expressed in 18232 dollars and cents) for each one hundred dollars of valuation, 18233 for ..... (state the number of years the tax is to be 18234 imposed or that it will be imposed for a continuing period of 18235 time), commencing in ..... (first year the tax is to be 18236 levied), first due in calendar year ..... (first calendar 18237 year in which the tax shall be due)? 18238

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If the question submitted to electors proposes a school 18240 district income tax only on the taxable income of individuals as 18241 defined in division (E)(1)(b) of section 5748.01 of the Revised 18242 Code, the form of the ballot shall be modified by stating that 18243 the tax is to be levied on the "earned income of individuals 18244 residing in the school district" in lieu of the "school district 18245 income of individuals and of estates."

(E) The board of elections promptly shall certify the 18247
results of the election to the tax commissioner and the county 18248
auditor of the county in which the school district is located. 18249
If a majority of the electors voting on the question vote in 18250
favor of it: 18251

(1) The income tax and the applicable provisions of
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 Chapter 5747. of the Revised Code shall take effect on the date
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 specified in the resolution.

(2) The board of education of the school district may make
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the additional property tax levy necessary to raise the amount
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specified on the ballot for the purpose of providing for the
necessary requirements of the district. The property tax levy
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shall be included in the next tax budget that is certified to
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the county budget commission.

(F) (1) After approval of a question under this section,
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the board of education may anticipate a fraction of the proceeds
of the school district income tax in accordance with section
5748.05 of the Revised Code. Any anticipation notes under this
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division shall be issued as provided in section 133.24 of the18265Revised Code, shall have principal payments during each year18266after the year of their issuance over a period not to exceed18267five years, and may have a principal payment in the year of18268their issuance.18269

(2) After the approval of a question under this section 18270 and prior to the time when the first tax collection from the 18271 property tax levy can be made, the board of education may 18272 anticipate a fraction of the proceeds of the levy and issue 18273 18274 anticipation notes in an amount not exceeding the total estimated proceeds of the levy to be collected during the first 18275 year of the levy. Any anticipation notes under this division 18276 shall be issued as provided in section 133.24 of the Revised 18277 Code, shall have principal payments during each year after the 18278 year of their issuance over a period not to exceed five years, 18279 and may have a principal payment in the year of their issuance. 18280

(G) (1) The question of repeal of a school district income
tax levied for more than five years may be initiated and
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submitted in accordance with section 5748.04 of the Revised
Code.

(2) A property tax levy for a continuing period of timemay be reduced in the manner provided under section 5705.261 ofthe Revised Code.

(H) No board of education shall submit a question under
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this section to the electors of the school district more than
twice in any calendar year. If a board submits the question
twice in any calendar year, one of the elections on the question
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shall be held on the date of the general election.

(I) If the electors of the school district approve a 18293

question under this section, and if the last calendar year the 18294 school district income tax is in effect and the last calendar 18295 year of collection of the property tax are the same, the board 18296 of education of the school district may propose to submit under 18297 this section the combined question of a school district income 18298 tax to take effect upon the expiration of the existing income 18299 tax and a property tax to be first collected in the calendar 18300 year after the calendar year of last collection of the existing 18301 property tax, and specify in the resolutions adopted under this 18302 section that the proposed taxes would renew the existing taxes. 18303 The form of the ballot on a question submitted to the electors 18304 under division (I) of this section shall be as follows: 18305

"Shall the ..... school district be authorized to do both of the following:

(1) Impose an annual income tax of ..... (state the 18308 proposed rate of tax) on the school district income of 18309 individuals and of estates to renew an income tax expiring at 18310 the end of ..... (state the last year the existing income tax 18311 may be levied) for ..... (state the number of years the tax 18312 would be levied, or that it would be levied for a continuing 18313 period of time), beginning ..... (state the date the tax would 18314 first take effect), for the purpose of ..... (state the 18315 purpose of the tax)? 18316

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(here insert rate expressed in dollars and cents) for each one 18324 hundred dollars of valuation, for ..... (state the 18325 number of years the tax is to be imposed or that it will be 18326 imposed for a continuing period of time), commencing in 18327 ..... (first year the tax is to be levied), first due in 18328 calendar year ..... (first calendar year in which the tax 18329 shall be due)?

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If the question submitted to electors proposes a school 18332 district income tax only on the taxable income of individuals as 18333 defined in division (E)(1)(b) of section 5748.01 of the Revised 18334 Code, the form of the ballot shall be modified by stating that 18335 the tax is to be levied on the "earned income of individuals 18336 residing in the school district" in lieu of the "school district 18337 income of individuals and of estates."

The question of a renewal levy under this division shall 18339 not be placed on the ballot unless the question is submitted on 18340 a date on which a special election may be held under section 18341 3501.01 of the Revised Code, except for the first Tuesday after 18342 the first Monday in February and August, during the last year 18343 the property tax levy to be renewed may be extended on the real 18344 and public utility property tax list and duplicate, or at any 18345 election held in the ensuing year. 18346

(J) If the electors of the school district approve a 18347 question under this section, the board of education of the 18348

school district may propose to renew either or both of the18349existing taxes as individual ballot questions in accordance with18350section 5748.02 of the Revised Code for the school district18351income tax, or section 5705.194 of the Revised Code for the18352property tax.18353

#### Sec. 5751.01. As used in this chapter:

(A) "Person" means, but is not limited to, individuals, 18355 combinations of individuals of any form, receivers, assignees, 18356 trustees in bankruptcy, firms, companies, joint-stock companies, 18357 business trusts, estates, partnerships, limited liability 18358 partnerships, limited liability companies, associations, joint 18359 ventures, clubs, societies, for-profit corporations, S 18360 corporations, qualified subchapter S subsidiaries, qualified 18361 subchapter S trusts, trusts, entities that are disregarded for 18362 federal income tax purposes, and any other entities. 18363

(B) "Consolidated elected taxpayer" means a group of two
or more persons treated as a single taxpayer for purposes of
this chapter as the result of an election made under section
5751.011 of the Revised Code.

(C) "Combined taxpayer" means a group of two or more
persons treated as a single taxpayer for purposes of this
chapter under section 5751.012 of the Revised Code.
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(D) "Taxpayer" means any person, or any group of persons
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 in the case of a consolidated elected taxpayer or combined
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 taxpayer treated as one taxpayer, required to register or pay
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 tax under this chapter. "Taxpayer" does not include excluded
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 persons.

(E) "Excluded person" means any of the following: 18376(1) Any person with not more than one hundred fifty 18377

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| thousand dollars of taxable gross receipts during the calendar   | 18378 |
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| year. Division (E)(1) of this section does not apply to a person | 18379 |
| that is a member of a consolidated elected taxpayer;             | 18380 |
| (2) A public utility that paid the excise tax imposed by         | 18381 |
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| section 5727.24 or 5727.30 of the Revised Code based on one or   | 18382 |
| more measurement periods that include the entire tax period      | 18383 |
| under this chapter, except that a public utility that is a       | 18384 |
| combined company is a taxpayer with regard to the following      | 18385 |
| gross receipts:  | 18386 |
| (a) Taxable gross receipts directly attributed to a public       | 18387 |
| utility activity, but not directly attributed to an activity     | 18388 |
| that is subject to the excise tax imposed by section 5727.24 or  | 18389 |
| 5727.30 of the Revised Code;                                     | 18390 |
| (b) Taxable gross receipts that cannot be directly               | 18391 |
| attributed to any activity, multiplied by a fraction whose       | 18392 |
| numerator is the taxable gross receipts described in division    | 18393 |
| (E)(2)(a) of this section and whose denominator is the total     | 18394 |
| taxable gross receipts that can be directly attributed to any    | 18395 |
| activity;  | 18396 |
| (c) Except for any differences resulting from the use of         | 18397 |
| an accrual basis method of accounting for purposes of            | 18398 |
| determining gross receipts under this chapter and the use of the | 18399 |
| cash basis method of accounting for purposes of determining      | 18400 |

cash basis method of accounting for purposes of determining18400gross receipts under section 5727.24 of the Revised Code, the18401gross receipts directly attributed to the activity of a natural18402gas company shall be determined in a manner consistent with18403division (D) of section 5727.03 of the Revised Code.18404

As used in division (E)(2) of this section, "combined 18405 company" and "public utility" have the same meanings as in 18406 section 5727.01 of the Revised Code.

(3) A financial institution, as defined in section 5726.01
of the Revised Code, that paid the tax imposed by section
5726.02 of the Revised Code based on one or more taxable years
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that include the entire tax period under this chapter;

(4) A person directly or indirectly owned by one or more
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financial institutions, as defined in section 5726.01 of the
Revised Code, that paid the tax imposed by section 5726.02 of
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the Revised Code based on one or more taxable years that include
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the entire tax period under this chapter.

For the purposes of division (E)(4) of this section, a18417person owns another person under the following circumstances:18418

(a) In the case of corporations issuing capital stock, one
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corporation owns another corporation if it owns fifty per cent
or more of the other corporation's capital stock with current
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voting rights;

(b) In the case of a limited liability company, one person
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owns the company if that person's membership interest, as
defined in section 1705.01 of the Revised Code, is fifty per
cent or more of the combined membership interests of all persons
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owning such interests in the company;

(c) In the case of a partnership, trust, or other 18428 unincorporated business organization other than a limited 18429 liability company, one person owns the organization if, under 18430 the articles of organization or other instrument governing the 18431 affairs of the organization, that person has a beneficial 18432 interest in the organization's profits, surpluses, losses, or 18433 distributions of fifty per cent or more of the combined 18434 beneficial interests of all persons having such an interest in 18435

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the organization.

(5) A domestic insurance company or foreign insurance 18437 company, as defined in section 5725.01 of the Revised Code, that 18438 paid the insurance company premiums tax imposed by section 18439 5725.18 or Chapter 5729. of the Revised Code, or an unauthorized 18440 insurance company whose gross premiums are subject to tax under 18441 section 3905.36 of the Revised Code based on one or more 18442 measurement periods that include the entire tax period under 18443 this chapter; 18444

(6) A person that solely facilitates or services one or
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more securitizations of phase-in-recovery property pursuant to a
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final financing order as those terms are defined in section
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4928.23 of the Revised Code. For purposes of this division,
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"securitization" means transferring one or more assets to one or
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more persons and then issuing securities backed by the right to
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receive payment from the asset or assets so transferred.

(7) Except as otherwise provided in this division, a pre-18452 income tax trust as defined in division (FF)(4) of section 18453 18454 5747.01 of the Revised Code and any pass-through entity of which such pre-income tax trust owns or controls, directly, 18455 indirectly, or constructively through related interests, more 18456 than five per cent of the ownership or equity interests. If the 18457 pre-income tax trust has made a qualifying pre-income tax trust 18458 election under division <del>(FF)(3)</del> (EE) of section 5747.01 of the 18459 Revised Code, then the trust and the pass-through entities of 18460 which it owns or controls, directly, indirectly, or 18461 constructively through related interests, more than five per 18462 cent of the ownership or equity interests, shall not be excluded 18463 persons for purposes of the tax imposed under section 5751.02 of 18464 the Revised Code. 18465

(8) Nonprofit organizations or the state and its agencies, 18466instrumentalities, or political subdivisions. 18467

(F) Except as otherwise provided in divisions (F) (2), (3), 18468 and (4) of this section, "gross receipts" means the total amount 18469 realized by a person, without deduction for the cost of goods 18470 sold or other expenses incurred, that contributes to the 18471 production of gross income of the person, including the fair 18472 market value of any property and any services received, and any 18473 debt transferred or forgiven as consideration. 18474

(1) The following are examples of gross receipts: 18475

- (a) Amounts realized from the sale, exchange, or otherdisposition of the taxpayer's property to or with another;18477
- (b) Amounts realized from the taxpayer's performance of 18478services for another; 18479
- (c) Amounts realized from another's use or possession of 18480the taxpayer's property or capital; 18481
  - (d) Any combination of the foregoing amounts. 18482
  - (2) "Gross receipts" excludes the following amounts: 18483
  - (a) Interest income except interest on credit sales; 18484

(b) Dividends and distributions from corporations, and
distributive or proportionate shares of receipts and income from
a pass-through entity as defined under section 5733.04 of the
Revised Code;

(c) Receipts from the sale, exchange, or other disposition
of an asset described in section 1221 or 1231 of the Internal
Revenue Code, without regard to the length of time the person
held the asset. Notwithstanding section 1221 of the Internal
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Revenue Code, receipts from hedging transactions also are 18493 excluded to the extent the transactions are entered into 18494 primarily to protect a financial position, such as managing the 18495 risk of exposure to (i) foreign currency fluctuations that 18496 18497 affect assets, liabilities, profits, losses, equity, or investments in foreign operations; (ii) interest rate 18498 fluctuations; or (iii) commodity price fluctuations. As used in 18499 division (F)(2)(c) of this section, "hedging transaction" has 18500 the same meaning as used in section 1221 of the Internal Revenue 18501 Code and also includes transactions accorded hedge accounting 18502 treatment under statement of financial accounting standards 18503 number 133 of the financial accounting standards board. For the 18504 purposes of division (F)(2)(c) of this section, the actual 18505 transfer of title of real or tangible personal property to 18506 18507 another entity is not a hedging transaction.

(d) Proceeds received attributable to the repayment,
maturity, or redemption of the principal of a loan, bond, mutual
fund, certificate of deposit, or marketable instrument;
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(e) The principal amount received under a repurchase
agreement or on account of any transaction properly
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characterized as a loan to the person;
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(f) Contributions received by a trust, plan, or other
arrangement, any of which is described in section 501(a) of the
Internal Revenue Code, or to which Title 26, Subtitle A, Chapter
1, Subchapter (D) of the Internal Revenue Code applies;
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(g) Compensation, whether current or deferred, and whether
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in cash or in kind, received or to be received by an employee,
former employee, or the employee's legal successor for services
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rendered to or for an employer, including reimbursements
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received by or for an individual for medical or education

expenses, health insurance premiums, or employee expenses, or on 18523 account of a dependent care spending account, legal services 18524 plan, any cafeteria plan described in section 125 of the 18525 Internal Revenue Code, or any similar employee reimbursement; 18526

(h) Proceeds received from the issuance of the taxpayer's 18527
own stock, options, warrants, puts, or calls, or from the sale 18528
of the taxpayer's treasury stock; 18529

(i) Proceeds received on the account of payments from
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 insurance policies, except those proceeds received for the loss
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 of business revenue;

(j) Gifts or charitable contributions received; membership
dues received by trade, professional, homeowners', or
condominium associations; and payments received for educational
courses, meetings, meals, or similar payments to a trade,
professional, or other similar association; and fundraising
receipts received by any person when any excess receipts are
donated or used exclusively for charitable purposes;

(k) Damages received as the result of litigation in excess
of amounts that, if received without litigation, would be gross
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receipts;
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(1) Property, money, and other amounts received or 18543
acquired by an agent on behalf of another in excess of the 18544
agent's commission, fee, or other remuneration; 18545

(m) Tax refunds, other tax benefit recoveries, and
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reimbursements for the tax imposed under this chapter made by
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entities that are part of the same combined taxpayer or
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consolidated elected taxpayer group, and reimbursements made by
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entities that are not members of a combined taxpayer or
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consolidated elected taxpayer group that are required to be made
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for economic parity among multiple owners of an entity whose tax18552obligation under this chapter is required to be reported and18553paid entirely by one owner, pursuant to the requirements of18554sections 5751.011 and 5751.012 of the Revised Code;18555

- (n) Pension reversions; 18556
- (o) Contributions to capital;

(p) Sales or use taxes collected as a vendor or an out-ofstate seller on behalf of the taxing jurisdiction from a consumer or other taxes the taxpayer is required by law to collect directly from a purchaser and remit to a local, state, or federal tax authority; 18562

(q) In the case of receipts from the sale of cigarettes, 18563 tobacco products, or vapor products by a wholesale dealer, 18564 retail dealer, distributor, manufacturer, vapor distributor, or 18565 seller, all as defined in section 5743.01 of the Revised Code, 18566 an amount equal to the federal and state excise taxes paid by 18567 any person on or for such cigarettes, tobacco products, or vapor 18568 products under subtitle E of the Internal Revenue Code or 18569 Chapter 5743. of the Revised Code; 18570

(r) In the case of receipts from the sale, transfer, 18571 exchange, or other disposition of motor fuel as "motor fuel" is 18572 defined in section 5736.01 of the Revised Code, an amount equal 18573 to the value of the motor fuel, including federal and state 18574 motor fuel excise taxes and receipts from billing or invoicing 18575 the tax imposed under section 5736.02 of the Revised Code to 18576 another person; 18577

(s) In the case of receipts from the sale of beer or
intoxicating liquor, as defined in section 4301.01 of the
Revised Code, by a person holding a permit issued under Chapter
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4301. or 4303. of the Revised Code, an amount equal to federal18581and state excise taxes paid by any person on or for such beer or18582intoxicating liquor under subtitle E of the Internal Revenue18583Code or Chapter 4301. or 4305. of the Revised Code;18584

(t) Receipts realized by a new motor vehicle dealer or 18585 used motor vehicle dealer, as defined in section 4517.01 of the 18586 Revised Code, from the sale or other transfer of a motor 18587 vehicle, as defined in that section, to another motor vehicle 18588 dealer for the purpose of resale by the transferee motor vehicle 18589 18590 dealer, but only if the sale or other transfer was based upon the transferee's need to meet a specific customer's preference 18591 for a motor vehicle; 18592

(u) Receipts from a financial institution described in 18593 division (E)(3) of this section for services provided to the 18594 financial institution in connection with the issuance, 18595 processing, servicing, and management of loans or credit 18596 accounts, if such financial institution and the recipient of 18597 such receipts have at least fifty per cent of their ownership 18598 interests owned or controlled, directly or constructively 18599 18600 through related interests, by common owners;

(v) Receipts realized from administering anti-neoplastic
 drugs and other cancer chemotherapy, biologicals, therapeutic
 agents, and supportive drugs in a physician's office to patients
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 with cancer;

(w) Funds received or used by a mortgage broker that is
not a dealer in intangibles, other than fees or other
consideration, pursuant to a table-funding mortgage loan or
warehouse-lending mortgage loan. Terms used in division (F) (2)
(w) of this section have the same meanings as in section 1322.01
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of the Revised Code, except "mortgage broker" means a person

assisting a buyer in obtaining a mortgage loan for a fee or 18611 other consideration paid by the buyer or a lender, or a person 18612 engaged in table-funding or warehouse-lending mortgage loans 18613 that are first lien mortgage loans.

(x) Property, money, and other amounts received by a 18615 professional employer organization, as defined in section 18616 4125.01 of the Revised Code, from a client employer, as defined 18617 in that section, in excess of the administrative fee charged by 18618 the professional employer organization to the client employer; 18619

(y) In the case of amounts retained as commissions by a 18620 permit holder under Chapter 3769. of the Revised Code, an amount 18621 equal to the amounts specified under that chapter that must be 18622 paid to or collected by the tax commissioner as a tax and the 18623 amounts specified under that chapter to be used as purse money; 18624

(z) Qualifying distribution center receipts as determined 18625 under section 5751.40 of the Revised Code. 18626

(i) For purposes of division (F) (2) (z) of this section: 18627

18628 (I) "Qualifying distribution center receipts" means 18629 receipts of a supplier from qualified property that is delivered to a qualified distribution center, multiplied by a quantity 18630 18631 that equals one minus the Ohio delivery percentage. If the qualified distribution center is a refining facility, "supplier" 18632 18633 includes all dealers, brokers, processors, sellers, vendors, cosigners, and distributors of qualified property. 18634

(II) "Qualified property" means tangible personal property-18635 delivered to a qualified distribution center that is shipped to 18636 that qualified distribution center solely for further shipping 18637 by the qualified distribution center to another location in this 18638 state or elsewhere or, in the case of gold, silver, platinum, or 18639

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palladium delivered to a refining facility solely for refining 18640 to a grade and fineness acceptable for delivery to a registered 18641 commodities exchange. "Further shipping" includes storing and 18642 repackaging property into smaller or larger bundles, so long as-18643 the property is not subject to further manufacturing or-18644 processing. "Refining" is limited to extracting impurities from-18645 18646 gold, silver, platinum, or palladium through smelting or some-18647 other process at a refining facility. (III) "Qualified distribution center" means a warehouse, a 18648 facility similar to a warehouse, or a refining facility in this 18649 18650 state that, for the qualifying year, is operated by a personthat is not part of a combined taxpayer group and that has a 18651 qualifying certificate. All warehouses or facilities similar to 18652 warehouses that are operated by persons in the same taxpayer 18653 group and that are located within one mile of each other shall 18654 be treated as one qualified distribution center. All refining 18655 facilities that are operated by persons in the same taxpayer 18656 group and that are located in the same or adjacent counties may 18657 be treated as one qualified distribution center. 18658 (IV) "Qualifying year" means the calendar year to which-18659 the qualifying certificate applies. 18660

(V) "Qualifying period" means the period of the first day18661of July of the second year preceding the qualifying year through18662the thirtieth day of June of the year preceding the qualifying18663year.18664

(VI) "Qualifying certificate" means the certificate issued18665by the tax commissioner after the operator of a distribution18666center files an annual application with the commissioner. The18667application and annual fee shall be filed and paid for each18668qualified distribution center on or before the first day of18669

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| September before the qualifying year or within forty five days-  | 18670       |
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| after the distribution center opens, whichever is later.         | 18671       |
| The applicant must substantiate to the commissionerly            | 18672       |
| The applicant must substantiate to the commissioner's            |             |
| satisfaction that, for the qualifying period, all persons-       | 18673       |
| operating the distribution center have more than fifty per cent- | 18674       |
| of the cost of the qualified property shipped to a location such | 18675       |
| that it would be sitused outside this state under the provisions | 18676       |
| of division (E) of section 5751.033 of the Revised Code. The     | 18677       |
| applicant must also substantiate that the distribution center    | 18678       |
| cumulatively had costs from its suppliers equal to or exceeding  | 18679       |
| five hundred million dollars during the qualifying period. (For- | 18680       |
| purposes of division (F)(2)(z)(i)(VI) of this section,           | 18681       |
| "supplier" excludes any person that is part of the consolidated  | 18682       |
| elected taxpayer group, if applicable, of the operator of the    | 18683       |
| qualified distribution center.) The commissioner may require the | 18684       |
| applicant to have an independent certified public accountant     | 18685       |
| certify that the calculation of the minimum thresholds required  | 18686       |
| for a qualified distribution center by the operator of a         | 18687       |
| distribution center has been made in accordance with generally-  | 18688       |
| accepted accounting principles. The commissioner shall issue or  | 18689       |
| deny the issuance of a certificate within sixty days after the   | 18690       |
| receipt of the application. A denial is subject to appeal under- | 18691       |
| section 5717.02 of the Revised Code. If the operator files a     | 18692       |
| timely appeal under section 5717.02 of the Revised Code, the     | 18693       |
| operator shall be granted a qualifying certificate effective for | 18694       |
| the remainder of the qualifying year or until the appeal is-     | 18695       |
| finalized, whichever is earlier. If the operator does not        | 18696       |
| prevail in the appeal, the operator shall pay the ineligible     | 18697       |
| operator's supplier tax liability.                               | 18698       |
| (VII) "Ohio delivery percentage" means the proportion of         | 18699       |
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the total property delivered to a destination inside Ohio from 18700

the qualified distribution center during the qualifying period-18701 compared with total deliveries from such distribution center 18702 everywhere during the qualifying period. 18703 (VIII) "Refining facility" means one or more buildings-18704 located in a county in the Appalachian region of this state as 18705 defined by section 107.21 of the Revised Code and utilized for 18706 refining or smelting gold, silver, platinum, or palladium to a-18707 grade and fineness acceptable for delivery to a registered 18708 commodities exchange. 18709 (IX) "Registered commodities exchange" means a board of 18710 trade, such as New York mercantile exchange, inc. or commodity 18711 exchange, inc., designated as a contract market by the commodity 18712 futures trading commission under the "Commodity Exchange Act," 7-18713 18714 U.S.C. 1 et seq., as amended. (X) "Ineligible operator's supplier tax liability" means 18715 an amount equal to the tax liability of all suppliers of a 18716 distribution center had the distribution center not been issued 18717 a qualifying certificate for the qualifying year. Ineligible 18718 operator's supplier tax liability shall not include interest or 18719 penalties. The tax commissioner shall determine an ineligible 18720 operator's supplier tax liability based on information that the 18721 commissioner may request from the operator of the distribution-18722 center. An operator shall provide a list of all suppliers of the 18723 distribution center and the corresponding costs of qualified 18724 18725 property for the qualifying year at issue within sixty days of a request by the commissioner under this division. 18726 (ii) (I) If the distribution center is new and was not open-18727 for the entire qualifying period, the operator of the 18728 distribution center may request that the commissioner grant a 18729

qualifying certificate. If the certificate is granted and it is 18730

later determined that more than fifty per cent of the qualified property during that year was not shipped to a location such

that it would be sitused outside of this state under the 18733 provisions of division (E) of section 5751.033 of the Revised 18734 Code or if it is later determined that the person that operates 18735 18736 the distribution center had average monthly costs from its-18737 suppliers of less than forty million dollars during that year, then the operator of the distribution center shall pay the 18738 18739 ineligible operator's supplier tax liability. (For purposes of division (F)(2)(z)(ii) of this section, "supplier" excludes any 18740 person that is part of the consolidated elected taxpayer group, 18741 if applicable, of the operator of the qualified distribution 18742 18743 center.)

(II) The commissioner may grant a qualifying certificate 18744 18745 to a distribution center that does not qualify as a qualified distribution center for an entire qualifying period if the 18746 operator of the distribution center demonstrates that the-18747 business operations of the distribution center have changed or 18748 will change such that the distribution center will qualify as a 18749 qualified distribution center within thirty six months after the-18750 date the operator first applies for a certificate. If, at the 18751 18752 end of that thirty six month period, the business operations of 18753 the distribution center have not changed such that the distribution center qualifies as a qualified distribution 18754 the operator of the distribution center shall pay the 18755 ineligible operator's supplier tax liability for each year that 18756 the distribution center received a certificate but did not 18757 qualify as a qualified distribution center. For each year the 18758 distribution center receives a certificate under division (F) (2) 18759 (z) (ii) (II) of this section, the distribution center shall pay-18760 all applicable fees required under division (F)(2)(z) of this 18761

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| section and shall submit an updated business plan showing the     | 18762 |
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| progress the distribution center made toward qualifying as a      | 18763 |
| qualified distribution center during the preceding year.          | 18764 |
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| (III) An operator may appeal a determination under-               | 18765 |
| division (F)(2)(z)(ii)(I) or (II) of this section that the        | 18766 |
| ineligible operator is liable for the operator's supplier tax     | 18767 |
| liability as a result of not qualifying as a qualified            | 18768 |
| distribution center, as provided in section 5717.02 of the        | 18769 |
| Revised Code.   | 18770 |
| (iii) When filing an application for a qualifying-                | 18771 |
| certificate under division (F)(2)(z)(i)(VI) of this section, the  | 18772 |
| operator of a qualified distribution center also shall provide    | 18773 |
| documentation, as the commissioner requires, for the              | 18774 |
| commissioner to ascertain the Ohio delivery percentage. The       | 18775 |
| commissioner, upon issuing the qualifying certificate, also       | 18776 |
| shall certify the Ohio delivery percentage. The operator of the   | 18777 |
| qualified distribution center may appeal the commissioner's       | 18778 |
| certification of the Ohio delivery percentage in the same manner- | 18779 |
| as an appeal is taken from the denial of a qualifying             | 18780 |
| certificate under division (F)(2)(z)(i)(VI) of this section.      | 18781 |
| (iv)(I) In the case where the distribution center is new-         | 18782 |
| and not open for the entire qualifying period, the operator       | 18783 |
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| shall make a good faith estimate of an Ohio delivery percentage   | 18784 |
| for use by suppliers in their reports of taxable gross receipts   | 18785 |
| for the remainder of the qualifying period. The operator of the   | 18786 |
| facility shall disclose to the suppliers that such Ohio delivery  | 18787 |
| percentage is an estimate and is subject to recalculation. By     | 18788 |
| the due date of the next application for a qualifying             | 18789 |
| certificate, the operator shall determine the actual Ohio-        | 18790 |
| delivery percentage for the estimated qualifying period and       | 18791 |
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proceed as provided in division (F)(2)(z)(iii) of this section 18792 with respect to the calculation and recalculation of the Ohio-18793 delivery percentage. The supplier is required to file, within 18794 18795 sixty days after receiving notice from the operator of the qualified distribution center, amended reports for the impacted-18796 18797 calendar quarter or quarters or calendar year, whichever the case may be. Any additional tax liability or tax overpayment 18798 18799 shall be subject to interest but shall not be subject to the 18800 imposition of any penalty so long as the amended returns are 18801 timely filed. 18802 (II) The operator of a distribution center that receives a 18803 qualifying certificate under division (F)(2)(z)(ii)(II) of this section shall make a good faith estimate of the Ohio delivery 18804 percentage that the operator estimates will apply to the 18805 distribution center at the end of the thirty six month period 18806 after the operator first applied for a qualifying certificate 18807 under that division. The result of the estimate shall be-18808 multiplied by a factor of one and seventy-five one-hundredths. 18809 The product of that calculation shall be the Ohio delivery 18810 percentage used by suppliers in their reports of taxable gross-18811 receipts for each qualifying year that the distribution center-18812 receives a qualifying certificate under division (F) (2) (z) (ii) 18813 (II) of this section, except that, if the product is less than 18814 five per cent, the Ohio delivery percentage used shall be five-18815 per cent and that, if the product exceeds forty-nine per 18816 the Ohio delivery percentage used shall be forty-nine per cent. 18817 (v) Qualifying certificates and Ohio delivery percentages 18818 issued by the commissioner shall be open to public inspection 18819 and shall be timely published by the commissioner. A supplier 18820 18821 relying in good faith on a certificate issued under this 18822 division shall not be subject to tax on the qualifying

| distribution center receipts under division (F)(2)(z) of this    | 18823 |
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| section. An operator receiving a qualifying certificate is       | 18824 |
| liable for the ineligible operator's supplier tax liability for  | 18825 |
| each year the operator received a certificate but did not        | 18826 |
| qualify as a qualified distribution center.                      | 18827 |
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| (vi) The annual fee for a qualifying certificate shall be        | 18828 |
| one hundred thousand dollars for each qualified distribution -   | 18829 |
| center. If a qualifying certificate is not issued, the annual-   | 18830 |
| fee is subject to refund after the exhaustion of all appeals     | 18831 |
| provided for in division (F)(2)(z)(i)(VI) of this section. The-  | 18832 |
| first one hundred thousand dollars of the annual application     | 18833 |
| fees collected each calendar year shall be credited to the       | 18834 |
| revenue enhancement fund. The remainder of the annual            | 18835 |
| application fees collected shall be distributed in the same      | 18836 |
| manner required under section 5751.20 of the Revised Code.       | 18837 |
| (vii) The tax commissioner may require that adequate             | 18838 |
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| security be posted by the operator of the distribution center on | 18839 |
| appeal when the commissioner disagrees that the applicant has    | 18840 |
| met the minimum thresholds for a qualified distribution center-  | 18841 |
| as set forth in division (F)(2)(z) of this section.              | 18842 |
|  | 10040 |
| (aa) Receipts of an employer from payroll deductions             | 18843 |
| relating to the reimbursement of the employer for advancing      | 18844 |
| moneys to an unrelated third party on an employee's behalf;      | 18845 |
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- (bb) Cash discounts allowed and taken; 18846
- (cc) Returns and allowances; 18847

(dd) Bad debts from receipts on the basis of which the tax18848imposed by this chapter was paid in a prior quarterly tax18849payment period. For the purpose of this division, "bad debts"18850means any debts that have become worthless or uncollectible18851

between the preceding and current quarterly tax payment periods, 18852 have been uncollected for at least six months, and that may be 18853 claimed as a deduction under section 166 of the Internal Revenue 18854 Code and the regulations adopted under that section, or that 18855 could be claimed as such if the taxpayer kept its accounts on 18856 the accrual basis. "Bad debts" does not include repossessed 18857 property, uncollectible amounts on property that remains in the 18858 possession of the taxpayer until the full purchase price is 18859 paid, or expenses in attempting to collect any account 18860 18861 receivable or for any portion of the debt recovered;

(ee) Any amount realized from the sale of an account 18862
receivable to the extent the receipts from the underlying 18863
transaction giving rise to the account receivable were included 18864
in the gross receipts of the taxpayer; 18865

(ff) Any receipts directly attributed to a transfer 18866
agreement or to the enterprise transferred under that agreement 18867
under section 4313.02 of the Revised Code. 18868

(gg) (i) As used in this division:

(I) "Qualified uranium receipts" means receipts from the 18870 sale, exchange, lease, loan, production, processing, or other-18871 disposition of uranium within a uranium enrichment zone-18872 certified by the tax commissioner under division (F)(2)(gg)(ii) 18873 of this section. "Qualified uranium receipts" does not include 18874 any receipts with a situs in this state outside a uranium 18875 enrichment zone certified by the tax commissioner under division-18876 (F) (2) (gg) (ii) of this section. 18877

(II) "Uranium enrichment zone" means all real property18878that is part of a uranium enrichment facility licensed by the18879United States nuclear regulatory commission and that was or is18880

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| owned or controlled by the United States department of energy or | 18881 |
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| its successor.   | 18882 |
| (ii) Any person that owns, leases, or operates real or           | 18883 |
| tangible personal property constituting or located within a      | 18884 |
| uranium enrichment zone may apply to the tax commissioner to     | 18885 |
| have the uranium enrichment zone certified for the purpose of    | 18886 |
| excluding qualified uranium receipts under division (F)(2)(gg)   | 18887 |
| of this section. The application shall include such information  | 18888 |
| that the tax commissioner prescribes. Within sixty days after    | 18889 |
| receiving the application, the tax commissioner shall certify    | 18890 |
| the zone for that purpose if the commissioner determines that    | 18891 |
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| the property qualifies as a uranium enrichment zone as defined   | 18892 |
| in division (F)(2)(gg) of this section, or, if the tax-          | 18893 |
| commissioner determines that the property does not qualify, the- | 18894 |
| commissioner shall deny the application or request additional    | 18895 |
| information from the applicant. If the tax commissioner denies   | 18896 |
| an application, the commissioner shall state the reasons for the | 18897 |
| denial. The applicant may appeal the denial of an application to | 18898 |
| the board of tax appeals pursuant to section 5717.02 of the      | 18899 |
| Revised Code. If the applicant files a timely appeal, the tax-   | 18900 |
| commissioner shall conditionally certify the applicant's         | 18901 |
| property. The conditional certification shall expire when all of | 18902 |
| the applicant's appeals are exhausted. Until final resolution of | 18903 |
| the appeal, the applicant shall retain the applicant's records   | 18904 |
| in accordance with section 5751.12 of the Revised Code,          | 18905 |
| notwithstanding any time limit on the preservation of records-   | 18906 |
| under that section Qualified uranium receipts as determined      | 18907 |
| under section 5751.41 of the Revised Code.                       | 18908 |
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| (hh) In the case of amounts collected by a licensed casino       | 18909 |
| operator from casino gaming, amounts in excess of the casino     | 18910 |

operator from casino gaming, amounts in excess of the casino 18910 operator's gross casino revenue. In this division, "casino 18911

operator" and "casino gaming" have the meanings defined in 18912 section 3772.01 of the Revised Code, and "gross casino revenue" 18913 has the meaning defined in section 5753.01 of the Revised Code. 18914

(ii) Receipts realized from the sale of agricultural
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commodities by an agricultural commodity handler, both as
defined in section 926.01 of the Revised Code, that is licensed
by the director of agriculture to handle agricultural
commodities in this state.

(jj) Qualifying integrated supply chain receipts as 18920
determined under section 5751.42 of the Revised Code. 18921

#### As used in division (F)(2)(jj) of this section: 18922

(i) "Qualifying integrated supply chain receipts" means 18923 receipts of a qualified integrated supply chain vendor from the 18924 sale of qualified property delivered to, or integrated supply 18925 chain services provided to, another qualified integrated supply 18926 chain vendor or to a retailer that is a member of the integrated 18927 supply chain. "Qualifying integrated supply chain receipts" does 18928 18929 not include receipts of a person that is not a qualified integrated supply chain vendor from the sale of raw materials to 18930 18931 a member of an integrated supply chain, or receipts of a member of an integrated supply chain from the sale of qualified 18932 property or integrated supply chain services to a person that is 18933 not a member of the integrated supply chain. 18934

## (ii) "Qualified property" means any of the following: 18935

(I) Component parts used to hold, contain, package, or18936dispense qualified products, excluding equipment;18937

(II) Work in process inventory that will become, comprise,18938or form a component part of a qualified product capable of being18939sold at retail, excluding equipment, machinery, furniture, and18940

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| fixtures;  | 18941 |
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| (III) Finished goods inventory that is a qualified product       | 18942 |
| capable of being sold at retail in the inventory's present form. | 18943 |
| (iii) "Qualified integrated supply chain vendor" means a         | 18944 |
| person that is a member of an integrated supply chain and that   | 18945 |
| provides integrated supply chain services within a qualified     | 18946 |
| integrated supply chain district to a retailer that is a member- | 18947 |
| of the integrated supply chain or to another qualified           | 18948 |
| integrated supply chain vendor that is located within the same   | 18949 |
| such district as the person but does not share a common owner    | 18950 |
| with that person.  | 18951 |
| (iv) "Qualified product" means a personal care, health, or-      | 18952 |
| beauty product or an aromatic product, including a candle.       | 18953 |
| "Qualified product" does not include a drug that may be          | 18954 |
| dispensed only pursuant to a prescription, durable medical       | 18955 |
| equipment, mobility enhancing equipment, or a prosthetic device, | 18956 |
| as those terms are defined in section 5739.01 of the Revised     | 18957 |
| <del>Code.</del>   | 18958 |
| (v) "Integrated supply chain" means two or more qualified        | 18959 |
| integrated supply chain vendors certified on the most recent     | 18960 |
| list certified to the tax commissioner under this division that  | 18961 |
| systematically collaborate and coordinate business operations    | 18962 |
| with a retailer on the flow of tangible personal property from-  | 18963 |
| material sourcing through manufacturing, assembly, packaging,    | 18964 |
| and delivery to the retailer to improve long term financial      | 18965 |
| performance of each vendor and the supply chain that includes    | 18966 |
| the retailer.  | 18967 |
| For the purpose of the certification required under this         | 18968 |
| division, the reporting person for each retailer, on or before   | 18969 |

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the first day of October of each year, shall certify to the tax-18970 commissioner a list of the qualified integrated supply chain 18971 vendors providing or receiving integrated supply chain services 18972 within a qualified integrated supply chain district for the 18973 ensuing calendar year. On or before the following first day of 18974 November, the commissioner shall issue a certificate to the 18975 retailer and to each vendor certified to the commissioner on 18976 that list. The certificate shall include the names of the 18977 18978 retailer and of the qualified integrated supply chain vendors. The retailer shall notify the commissioner of any changes-18979 to the list, including additions to or subtractions from the 18980 list or changes in the name or legal entity of vendors certified 18981 on the list, within sixty days after the date the retailer 18982 becomes aware of the change. Within thirty days after receiving 18983 that notification, the commissioner shall issue a revised 18984 certificate to the retailer and to each vendor certified on the 18985 list. The revised certificate shall include the effective date 18986 of the change. 18987 18988 Each recipient of a certificate issued pursuant to this division shall maintain a copy of the certificate for four years 18989 from the date the certificate was received. 18990 (vi) "Integrated supply chain services" means procuring 18991 raw materials or manufacturing, processing, refining, 18992 assembling, packaging, or repackaging tangible personal property 18993 that will become finished goods inventory capable of being sold 18994 at retail by a retailer that is a member of an integrated supply-18995 chain. 18996 (vii) "Retailer" means a person primarily engaged in-18997

making retail sales and any member of that person's consolidated 18998 elected taxpayer group or combined taxpayer group, whether or 18999

| not that member is primarily engaged in making retail sales.     | 19000 |
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| (viii) "Qualified integrated supply chain district" means        | 19001 |
| the parcel or parcels of land from which a retailer's integrated | 19002 |
| supply chain that existed on September 29, 2015, provides or     | 19003 |
| receives integrated supply chain services, and to which all of   | 19004 |
| the following apply:   | 19005 |
| (I) The parcel or parcels are located wholly in a county-        | 19006 |
| having a population of greater than one hundred sixty five       | 19007 |
| thousand but less than one hundred seventy thousand based on the | 19008 |
| 2010 federal decennial census.                                   | 19009 |
| (II) The parcel or parcels are located wholly in the-            | 19010 |
| corporate limits of a municipal corporation with a population-   | 19011 |
| greater than seven thousand five hundred and less than eight     | 19012 |
| thousand based on the 2010 federal decennial census that is      | 19013 |
| partly located in the county described in division (F)(2)(jj)    | 19014 |
| (viii)(I) of this section, as those corporate limits existed on  | 19015 |
| September 29, 2015.  | 19016 |
| (III) The aggregate acreage of the parcel or parcels             | 19017 |
| equals or exceeds one hundred acres.                             | 19018 |
| (kk) In the case of a railroad company described in              | 19019 |
| division (D)(9) of section 5727.01 of the Revised Code that      | 19020 |
| purchases dyed diesel fuel directly from a supplier as defined   | 19021 |
| by section 5736.01 of the Revised Code, an amount equal to the   | 19022 |
| product of the number of gallons of dyed diesel fuel purchased   | 19023 |
| directly from such a supplier multiplied by the average          | 19024 |
| wholesale price for a gallon of diesel fuel as determined under  | 19025 |
| section 5736.02 of the Revised Code for the period during which  | 19026 |
| the fuel was purchased multiplied by a fraction, the numerator   | 19027 |
| of which equals the rate of tax levied by section 5736.02 of the | 19028 |

Revised Code less the rate of tax computed in section 5751.03 of19029the Revised Code, and the denominator of which equals the rate19030of tax computed in section 5751.03 of the Revised Code.19031

(11) Receipts realized by an out-of-state disaster 19032 business from disaster work conducted in this state during a 19033 disaster response period pursuant to a qualifying solicitation 19034 received by the business. Terms used in division (F) (2) (11) of 19035 this section have the same meanings as in section 5703.94 of the 19036 Revised Code. 19037

(mm) Any receipts for which the tax imposed by this 19038 chapter is prohibited by the constitution or laws of the United 19039 States or the constitution of this state. 19040

(3) In the case of a taxpayer when acting as a real estate 19041 broker, "gross receipts" includes only the portion of any fee 19042 for the service of a real estate broker, or service of a real 19043 estate salesperson associated with that broker, that is retained 19044 by the broker and not paid to an associated real estate 19045 salesperson or another real estate broker. For the purposes of 19046 this division, "real estate broker" and "real estate 19047 salesperson" have the same meanings as in section 4735.01 of the 19048 Revised Code. 19049

(4) A taxpayer's method of accounting for gross receipts
for a tax period shall be the same as the taxpayer's method of
accounting for federal income tax purposes for the taxpayer's
federal taxable year that includes the tax period. If a
taxpayer's method of accounting for federal income tax purposes
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changes, its method of accounting for gross receipts under this
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chapter shall be changed accordingly.

(G) "Taxable gross receipts" means gross receipts sitused 19057

| to this state under section 5751.033 of the Revised Code.        | 19058 |
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| (H) A person has "substantial nexus with this state" if          | 19059 |
| any of the following applies. The person:                        | 19060 |
| (1) Owns or uses a part or all of its capital in this            | 19061 |
| state;   | 19062 |
| (2) Holds a certificate of compliance with the laws of           | 19063 |
| this state authorizing the person to do business in this state;  | 19064 |
| (3) Has bright-line presence in this state;                      | 19065 |
| (4) Otherwise has nexus with this state to an extent that        | 19066 |
| the person can be required to remit the tax imposed under this   | 19067 |
| chapter under the Constitution of the United States.             | 19068 |
| (I) A person has "bright-line presence" in this state for        | 19069 |
| a reporting period and for the remaining portion of the calendar | 19070 |
| year if any of the following applies. The person:                | 19071 |
| (1) Has at any time during the calendar year property in         | 19072 |
| this state with an aggregate value of at least fifty thousand    | 19073 |
| dollars. For the purpose of division (I)(1) of this section,     | 19074 |
| owned property is valued at original cost and rented property is | 19075 |
| valued at eight times the net annual rental charge.              | 19076 |
| (2) Has during the calendar year payroll in this state of        | 19077 |
| at least fifty thousand dollars. Payroll in this state includes  | 19078 |
| all of the following:  | 19079 |
| (a) Any amount subject to withholding by the person under        | 19080 |
| section 5747.06 of the Revised Code;                             | 19081 |
| (b) Any other amount the person pays as compensation to an       | 19082 |
| individual under the supervision or control of the person for    | 19083 |
| work done in this state; and                                     | 19084 |

(c) Any amount the person pays for services performed in19085this state on its behalf by another.19086

(3) Has during the calendar year taxable gross receipts of 19087at least five hundred thousand dollars. 19088

(4) Has at any time during the calendar year within this
state at least twenty-five per cent of the person's total
property, total payroll, or total gross receipts.

(5) Is domiciled in this state as an individual or forcorporate, commercial, or other business purposes.19093

|    | (J)     | "Tangible | personal  | property"  | has | the | same | meaning | as | 19094 |
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| in | section | 5739.01   | of the Re | vised Code | •   |     |      |         |    | 19095 |

(K) "Internal Revenue Code" means the Internal Revenue 19096 Code of 1986, 100 Stat. 2085, 26 U.S.C. 1, as amended. Any term 19097 used in this chapter that is not otherwise defined has the same 19098 19099 meaning as when used in a comparable context in the laws of the United States relating to federal income taxes unless a 19100 different meaning is clearly required. Any reference in this 19101 chapter to the Internal Revenue Code includes other laws of the 19102 United States relating to federal income taxes. 19103

(L) "Calendar quarter" means a three-month period ending
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 on the thirty-first day of March, the thirtieth day of June, the
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 thirtieth day of September, or the thirty-first day of December.
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(M) "Tax period" means the calendar quarter or calendar
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 year on the basis of which a taxpayer is required to pay the tax
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 imposed under this chapter.

(N) "Calendar year taxpayer" means a taxpayer for which19110the tax period is a calendar year.19111

(O) "Calendar quarter taxpayer" means a taxpayer for which 19112

| the tax period is a calendar quarter.                           | 19113 |
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| (P) "Agent" means a person authorized by another person to      | 19114 |
| act on its behalf to undertake a transaction for the other,     | 19115 |
| including any of the following:                                 | 19116 |
| (1) A person receiving a fee to sell financial                  | 19117 |
| instruments;  | 19118 |
| (2) A person retaining only a commission from a                 | 19119 |
| transaction with the other proceeds from the transaction being  | 19120 |
| remitted to another person;                                     | 19121 |
| (3) A person issuing licenses and permits under section         | 19122 |
| 1533.13 of the Revised Code;                                    | 19123 |
| (4) A lottery sales agent holding a valid license issued        | 19124 |
| under section 3770.05 of the Revised Code;                      | 19125 |
| (5) A person acting as an agent of the division of liquor       | 19126 |
| control under section 4301.17 of the Revised Code.              | 19127 |
| (Q) "Received" includes amounts accrued under the accrual       | 19128 |
| method of accounting.   | 19129 |
| (R) "Reporting person" means a person in a consolidated         | 19130 |
| elected taxpayer or combined taxpayer group that is designated  | 19131 |
| by that group to legally bind the group for all filings and tax | 19132 |
| liabilities and to receive all legal notices with respect to    | 19133 |
| matters under this chapter, or, for the purposes of section     | 19134 |
| 5751.04 of the Revised Code, a separate taxpayer that is not a  | 19135 |
| member of such a group.   | 19136 |
| Sec. 5751.08. (A) An application for refund to the              | 19137 |
| taxpayer of the amount of taxes imposed under this chapter that | 19138 |
| are overpaid, paid illegally or erroneously, or paid on any     | 19139 |
| illegal or erroneous assessment shall be filed by the reporting | 19140 |
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person with the tax commissioner, on the form prescribed by the19141commissioner, within four years after the date of the illegal or19142erroneous payment of the tax, or within any additional period19143allowed under division (F) of section 5751.09 of the Revised19144Code. The applicant shall provide the amount of the requested19145refund along with the claimed reasons for, and documentation to19146support, the issuance of a refund.19147

19148 (B) On the filing of the refund application, the tax commissioner shall determine the amount of refund to which the 19149 applicant is entitled. If the amount is not less than that 19150 19151 claimed, the commissioner shall certify the amount to the director of budget and management and treasurer of state for 19152 payment from the tax refund fund created under section 5703.052 19153 of the Revised Code. If the amount is less than that claimed, 19154 the commissioner shall proceed in accordance with section 19155 5703.70 of the Revised Code. 19156

(C) Interest on a refund applied for under this section,
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computed at the rate provided for in section 5703.47 of the
Revised Code, shall be allowed from the later of the date the
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tax was paid or when the tax payment was due.
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(D) A calendar quarter taxpayer with more than one million 19161 dollars in taxable gross receipts in a calendar year other than 19162 calendar year 2005 and that is not able to exclude one million 19163 dollars in taxable gross receipts because of the operation of 19164 the taxpayer's business in that calendar year may file for a 19165 refund under this section to obtain the full exclusion of one 19166 million dollars in taxable gross receipts for that calendar 19167 19168 year.

(E) Except as provided in section 5751.081 of the RevisedCode, the tax commissioner may, with the consent of the19170

taxpayer, provide for the crediting against tax due for a tax19171year period the amount of any refund due the taxpayer under this19172chapter for a preceding tax year period.19173

Sec. 5751.09. (A) The tax commissioner may make an 19174 assessment, based on any information in the commissioner's 19175 possession, against any person that fails to file a return or 19176 pay any tax as required by this chapter. The commissioner shall 19177 give the person assessed written notice of the assessment as 19178 provided in section 5703.37 of the Revised Code. With the 19179 notice, the commissioner shall provide instructions on the 19180 manner in which to petition for reassessment and request a 19181 hearing with respect to the petition. The commissioner shall 19182 send any assessments against consolidated elected taxpayer and 19183 combined taxpayer groups under section 5751.011 or 5751.012 of 19184 the Revised Code to the taxpayer's "reporting person" as defined 19185 under division (R) of section 5751.01 of the Revised Code. The 19186 reporting person shall notify all members of the group of the 19187 assessment and all outstanding taxes, interest, and penalties 19188 for which the assessment is issued. 19189

(B) Unless the person assessed, within sixty days after 19190 service of the notice of assessment, files with the tax 19191 19192 commissioner, either personally or by certified mail, a written petition signed by the person or the person's authorized agent 19193 having knowledge of the facts, the assessment becomes final, and 19194 the amount of the assessment is due and payable from the person 19195 assessed to the treasurer of state. The petition shall indicate 19196 the objections of the person assessed, but additional objections 19197 may be raised in writing if received by the commissioner prior 19198 to the date shown on the final determination. 19199

If a petition for reassessment has been properly filed,

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the commissioner shall proceed under section 5703.60 of the 19201 Revised Code. 19202

(C) (1) After an assessment becomes final, if any portion
of the assessment, including accrued interest, remains unpaid, a
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certified copy of the tax commissioner's entry making the
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assessment final may be filed in the office of the clerk of the
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court of common pleas in the county in which the person resides
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or has its principal place of business in this state, or in the
of the clerk of court of common pleas of Franklin county.

(2) Immediately upon the filing of the entry, the clerk 19210 shall enter judgment for the state against the person assessed 19211 in the amount shown on the entry. The judgment may be filed by 19212 the clerk in a loose-leaf book entitled, "special judgments for 19213 the commercial activity tax" and shall have the same effect as 19214 other judgments. Execution shall issue upon the judgment at the 19215 request of the tax commissioner, and all laws applicable to 19216 sales on execution shall apply to sales made under the judgment. 19217

(3) If the assessment is not paid in its entirety within 19218 sixty days after the day the assessment was issued, the portion 19219 of the assessment consisting of tax due shall bear interest at 19220 the rate per annum prescribed by section 5703.47 of the Revised 19221 Code from the day the tax commissioner issues the assessment 19222 until it is paid or until it is certified to the attorney 19223 general for collection under section 131.02 of the Revised Code, 19224 whichever comes first. If the unpaid portion of the assessment 19225 is certified to the attorney general for collection, the entire 19226 unpaid portion of the assessment shall bear interest at the rate 19227 per annum prescribed by section 5703.47 of the Revised Code from 19228 the date of certification until the date it is paid in its 19229 19230 entirety. Interest shall be paid in the same manner as the tax

and may be collected by the issuance of an assessment under this 19231 section. 19232

(D) If the tax commissioner believes that collection of 19233 the tax will be jeopardized unless proceedings to collect or 19234 secure collection of the tax are instituted without delay, the 19235 commissioner may issue a jeopardy assessment against the person 19236 liable for the tax. Immediately upon the issuance of the 19237 jeopardy assessment, the commissioner shall file an entry with 19238 the clerk of the court of common pleas in the manner prescribed 19239 19240 by division (C) of this section. Notice of the jeopardy 19241 assessment shall be served on the person assessed or the person's authorized agent in the manner provided in section 19242 5703.37 of the Revised Code within five days of the filing of 19243 the entry with the clerk. The total amount assessed is 19244 immediately due and payable, unless the person assessed files a 19245 petition for reassessment in accordance with division (B) of 19246 this section and provides security in a form satisfactory to the 19247 commissioner and in an amount sufficient to satisfy the unpaid 19248 balance of the assessment. Full or partial payment of the 19249 assessment does not prejudice the commissioner's consideration 19250 of the petition for reassessment. 19251

(E) The tax commissioner shall immediately forward to the
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 treasurer of state all amounts the commissioner receives under
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 this section, and such amounts shall be considered as revenue
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 arising from the tax imposed under this chapter.

(F) Except as otherwise provided in this division, no
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assessment shall be made or issued against a taxpayer for the
tax imposed under this chapter more than four years after the
due date for the filing of the return for the tax period for
which the tax was reported, or more than four years after the
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return for the tax period was filed, whichever is later. The 19261 time limit may be extended if both the taxpayer and the 19262 commissioner consent in writing to the extension or enter into 19263 an agreement waiving or extending the time limit. Any such 19264 extension shall extend the four-year time limit in division (B) 19265 of section 5751.08 of the Revised Code for the same period of 19266 time. Nothing in this division bars an assessment against a 19267 taxpayer that fails to file a return required by this chapter or 19268 that files a fraudulent return. 19269

(G) If the tax commissioner possesses information that 19270 indicates that the amount of tax a taxpayer is required to pay 19271 under this chapter exceeds the amount the taxpayer paid, the tax 19272 commissioner may audit a sample of the taxpayer's gross receipts 19273 over a representative period of time to ascertain the amount of 19274 tax due, and may issue an assessment based on the audit. The tax 19275 commissioner shall make a good faith effort to reach agreement 19276 with the taxpayer in selecting a representative sample. The tax 19277 commissioner may apply a sampling method only if the 19278 commissioner has prescribed the method by rule. 19279

(H) If the whereabouts of a person subject to this chapter
is not known to the tax commissioner, the commissioner shall
follow the procedures under section 5703.37 of the Revised Code.
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 Sec. 5751.40. (A) As used in this section and division (F)
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 (2) (z) of section 5751.01 of the Revised Code:
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(1) "Qualifying distribution center receipts" means19285receipts of a supplier from qualified property that is delivered19286to a qualified distribution center, multiplied by a quantity19287that equals one minus the Ohio delivery percentage. If the19288qualified distribution center is a refining facility, "supplier"19289includes all dealers, brokers, processors, sellers, vendors,19290

cosigners, and distributors of qualified property.

| (2) "Qualified property" means tangible personal property        | 19292 |
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| delivered to a qualified distribution center that is shipped to  | 19293 |
| that qualified distribution center solely for further shipping   | 19294 |
| by the qualified distribution center to another location in this | 19295 |
| state or elsewhere or, in the case of gold, silver, platinum, or | 19296 |
| palladium delivered to a refining facility solely for refining   | 19297 |
| to a grade and fineness acceptable for delivery to a registered  | 19298 |
| commodities exchange. "Further shipping" includes storing and    | 19299 |
| repackaging property into smaller or larger bundles, so long as  | 19300 |
| the property is not subject to further manufacturing or          | 19301 |
| processing. "Refining" is limited to extracting impurities from  | 19302 |
| gold, silver, platinum, or palladium through smelting or some    | 19303 |
| other process at a refining facility.                            | 19304 |
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| (3) "Qualified distribution center" means a warehouse, a         | 19305 |
| facility similar to a warehouse, or a refining facility in this  | 19306 |
| state that, for the qualifying year, is operated by a person     | 19307 |
| that is not part of a combined taxpayer group and that has a     | 19308 |
| qualifying certificate. All warehouses or facilities similar to  | 19309 |
| warehouses that are operated by persons in the same taxpayer     | 19310 |

(4) "Qualifying year" means the calendar year to which the19316qualifying certificate applies.19317

group and that are located within one mile of each other shall

be treated as one qualified distribution center. All refining

group and that are located in the same or adjacent counties may

facilities that are operated by persons in the same taxpayer

be treated as one qualified distribution center.

(5) "Qualifying period" means the period of the first day19318of July of the second year preceding the qualifying year through19319the thirtieth day of June of the year preceding the qualifying19320

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| <u>year.</u>   | 19321 |
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| (6) "Qualifying certificate" means the certificate issued        | 19322 |
| by the tax commissioner after the operator of a distribution     | 19323 |
| center files an annual application with the commissioner under   | 19324 |
| division (B) of this section.                                    | 19325 |
| (7) "Ohio delivery percentage" means the proportion of the       | 19326 |
| total property delivered to a destination inside Ohio from the   | 19327 |
| qualified distribution center during the qualifying period       | 19328 |
| compared with total deliveries from such distribution center     | 19329 |
| everywhere during the qualifying period.                         | 19330 |
| (8) "Refining facility" means one or more buildings              | 19331 |
| located in a county in the Appalachian region of this state as   | 19332 |
| defined by section 107.21 of the Revised Code and utilized for   | 19333 |
| refining or smelting gold, silver, platinum, or palladium to a   | 19334 |
| grade and fineness acceptable for delivery to a registered       | 19335 |
| commodities exchange.  | 19336 |
| (9) "Registered commodities exchange" means a board of           | 19337 |
| trade, such as New York mercantile exchange, inc. or commodity   | 19338 |
| exchange, inc., designated as a contract market by the commodity | 19339 |
| futures trading commission under the "Commodity Exchange Act," 7 | 19340 |
| U.S.C. 1 et seq., as amended.                                    | 19341 |
| (10) "Ineligible operator's supplier tax liability" means        | 19342 |
| an amount equal to the tax liability of all suppliers of a       | 19343 |
| distribution center had the distribution center not been issued  | 19344 |
| a qualifying certificate for the qualifying year. Ineligible     | 19345 |
| operator's supplier tax liability shall not include interest or  | 19346 |
| penalties.   | 19347 |
| (B) For purposes of division (B) of this section,                | 19348 |
| "supplier" excludes any person that is part of the consolidated  | 19349 |

| elected taxpayer group, if applicable, of the operator of the    | 19350 |
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| qualified distribution center.                                   | 19351 |
| (1) An application for a qualifying certificate to be a          | 19352 |
| qualified distribution center shall be filed, and an annual fee  | 19353 |
| paid, for each qualified distribution center on or before the    | 19354 |
| first day of September before the qualifying year or within      | 19355 |
| forty-five days after the distribution center opens, whichever   | 19356 |
| is later. The applicant must substantiate to the commissioner's  | 19357 |
| satisfaction that, for the qualifying period, all persons        | 19358 |
| operating the distribution center have more than fifty per cent  | 19359 |
| of the cost of the qualified property shipped to a location such | 19360 |
| that it would be sitused outside this state under the provisions | 19361 |
| of division (E) of section 5751.033 of the Revised Code. The     | 19362 |
| applicant must also substantiate that the distribution center    | 19363 |
| cumulatively had costs from its suppliers equal to or exceeding  | 19364 |
| five hundred million dollars during the qualifying period.       | 19365 |
| The commissioner may require an applicant to have an             | 19366 |
| independent certified public accountant certify that the         | 19367 |
| calculation of the minimum thresholds required for a qualified   | 19368 |
| distribution center by the operator of a distribution center has | 19369 |
| been made in accordance with generally accepted accounting       | 19370 |
| principles. The commissioner shall issue or deny the issuance of | 19371 |
| a certificate within sixty days after the receipt of the         | 19372 |
| application. A denial is subject to appeal under section 5717.02 | 19373 |
| of the Revised Code. If the operator files a timely appeal under | 19374 |
| section 5717.02 of the Revised Code, the operator shall be       | 19375 |
| granted a qualifying certificate effective for the remainder of  | 19376 |
| the qualifying year or until the appeal is finalized, whichever  | 19377 |
| is earlier. If the operator does not prevail in the appeal, the  | 19378 |
| operator shall pay the ineligible operator's supplier tax        | 19379 |
| liability.   | 19380 |
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(2) If the distribution center is new and was not open for 19381 the entire qualifying period, the operator of the distribution 19382 center may request that the commissioner grant a gualifying 19383 certificate. If the certificate is granted and it is later 19384 determined that more than fifty per cent of the qualified 19385 property during that year was not shipped to a location such 19386 that it would be sitused outside of this state under the 19387 provisions of division (E) of section 5751.033 of the Revised 19388 Code or if it is later determined that the person that operates 19389 the distribution center had average monthly costs from its 19390 suppliers of less than forty million dollars during that year, 19391 then the operator of the distribution center shall pay the 19392 ineligible operator's supplier tax liability. 19393 (3) The commissioner may grant a qualifying certificate to 19394 a distribution center that does not qualify as a qualified 19395 distribution center for an entire gualifying period if the 19396 operator of the distribution center demonstrates that the 19397 business operations of the distribution center have changed or 19398 will change such that the distribution center will qualify as a 19399 qualified distribution center within thirty-six months after the 19400 date the operator first applies for a certificate. If, at the 19401 end of that thirty-six-month period, the business operations of 19402 the distribution center have not changed such that the 19403 distribution center qualifies as a qualified distribution 19404 center, the operator of the distribution center shall pay the 19405 ineligible operator's supplier tax liability for each year that 19406 the distribution center received a certificate but did not 19407 qualify as a qualified distribution center. For each year the 19408 distribution center receives a certificate under division (B) (3) 19409 of this section, the distribution center shall pay all 19410

applicable fees required under this section and shall submit an 19411

center made toward gualifying as a gualified distribution center 19413 during the preceding year. 19414 (4) An operator may appeal a determination under division 19415 (B) (1) or (2) of this section that the ineligible operator is 19416 liable for the operator's supplier tax liability as a result of 19417 not qualifying as a qualified distribution center, as provided 19418 in section 5717.02 of the Revised Code. 19419 (C) (1) When filing an application for a qualifying 19420 certificate under division (B)(1) of this section, the operator 19421 of a qualified distribution center also shall provide 19422 documentation, as the commissioner requires, for the 19423 commissioner to ascertain the Ohio delivery percentage. The 19424 commissioner, upon issuing the qualifying certificate, also 19425 shall certify the Ohio delivery percentage. The operator of the 19426 gualified distribution center may appeal the commissioner's 19427 certification of the Ohio delivery percentage in the same manner 19428 as an appeal is taken from the denial of a qualifying 19429 certificate under division (B)(1) of this section. 19430 (2) In the case where the distribution center is new and 19431 not open for the entire qualifying period, the operator shall 19432

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make a good faith estimate of an Ohio delivery percentage for 19433 use by suppliers in their reports of taxable gross receipts for 19434 the remainder of the qualifying period. The operator of the 19435 facility shall disclose to the suppliers that such Ohio delivery 19436 percentage is an estimate and is subject to recalculation. By 19437 the due date of the next application for a qualifying 19438 certificate, the operator shall determine the actual Ohio 19439 delivery percentage for the estimated qualifying period and 19440 proceed as provided in division (C)(1) of this section with 19441

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respect to the calculation and recalculation of the Ohio delivery percentage. The supplier is required to file, within

| sixty days after receiving notice from the operator of the      | 19444 |
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| qualified distribution center, amended reports for the impacted | 19445 |
| calendar quarter or quarters or calendar year, whichever the    | 19446 |
| case may be. Any additional tax liability or tax overpayment    | 19447 |
| shall be subject to interest but shall not be subject to the    | 19448 |
| imposition of any penalty so long as the amended returns are    | 19449 |
| timely filed.   | 19450 |

(3) The operator of a distribution center that receives a 19451 qualifying certificate under division (B)(3) of this section 19452 shall make a good faith estimate of the Ohio delivery percentage 19453 that the operator estimates will apply to the distribution 19454 center at the end of the thirty-six-month period after the 19455 operator first applied for a qualifying certificate under that 19456 division. The result of the estimate shall be multiplied by a 19457 factor of one and seventy-five one-hundredths. The product of 19458 that calculation shall be the Ohio delivery percentage used by 19459 suppliers in their reports of taxable gross receipts for each 19460 qualifying year that the distribution center receives a 19461 <u>qualifying certificate under division (B)(3) of this section,</u> 19462 except that, if the product is less than five per cent, the Ohio 19463 delivery percentage used shall be five per cent and that, if the 19464 product exceeds forty-nine per cent, the Ohio delivery 19465 percentage used shall be forty-nine per cent. 19466

(D) Qualifying certificates and Ohio delivery percentages19467issued by the commissioner shall be open to public inspection19468and shall be timely published by the commissioner. A supplier19469relying in good faith on a certificate issued under this section19470shall not be subject to tax on the qualifying distribution19471center receipts under this section and division (F)(2)(z) of19472

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| section 5751.01 of the Revised Code. An operator receiving a     | 19473 |
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| qualifying certificate is liable for the ineligible operator's   | 19474 |
| supplier tax liability for each year the operator received a     | 19475 |
| certificate but did not qualify as a qualified distribution      | 19476 |
| center.  | 19477 |
| <u>(E) The tax commissioner shall determine an ineliqible</u>    | 19478 |
| operator's supplier tax liability based on information that the  | 19479 |
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| commissioner may request from the operator of the distribution   | 19480 |
| center. An operator shall provide a list of all suppliers of the | 19481 |
| distribution center and the corresponding costs of qualified     | 19482 |
| property for the qualifying year at issue within sixty days of a | 19483 |
| request by the commissioner under this division.                 | 19484 |
| (F) The annual fee for a qualifying certificate shall be         | 19485 |
| one hundred thousand dollars for each qualified distribution     | 19486 |
| center. If a qualifying certificate is not issued, the annual    | 19487 |
| fee is subject to refund after the exhaustion of all appeals     | 19488 |
| provided for in division (B)(1) of this section. The first one   | 19489 |
| hundred thousand dollars of the annual application fees          | 19490 |
| collected each calendar year shall be credited to the revenue    | 19491 |
| enhancement fund. The remainder of the annual application fees   | 19492 |
| collected shall be distributed in the same manner required under | 19493 |
| section 5751.20 of the Revised Code.                             | 19494 |
| (G) The tax commissioner may require that adequate               | 19495 |
| security be posted by the operator of the distribution center on | 19496 |
| appeal when the commissioner disagrees that the applicant has    | 19497 |
| met the minimum thresholds for a qualified distribution center   | 19498 |
| as set forth in this section.                                    | 19499 |
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| Sec. 5751.41. (A) As used in this section and division (F)       | 19500 |
| (2)(gg) of section 5751.01 of the Revised Code:                  | 19501 |

| (1) "Qualified uranium receipts" means receipts from the         | 19502 |
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| sale, exchange, lease, loan, production, processing, or other    | 19503 |
| disposition of uranium within a uranium enrichment zone          | 19504 |
| certified by the tax commissioner under division (B) of this     | 19505 |
| section. "Qualified uranium receipts" does not include any       | 19506 |
| receipts with a situs in this state outside a uranium enrichment | 19507 |
| zone certified by the tax commissioner under that division.      | 19508 |
| (2) "Uranium envictment gene" means all real preparty that       | 19509 |
| (2) "Uranium enrichment zone" means all real property that       |       |
| is part of a uranium enrichment facility licensed by the United  | 19510 |
| States nuclear regulatory commission and that was or is owned or | 19511 |
| controlled by the United States department of energy or its      | 19512 |
| successor.   | 19513 |
| (B) Any person that owns, leases, or operates real or            | 19514 |
| tangible personal property constituting or located within a      | 19515 |
| uranium enrichment zone may apply to the tax commissioner to     | 19516 |
| have the uranium enrichment zone certified for the purpose of    | 19517 |
| excluding qualified uranium receipts under this section and      | 19518 |
| division (F)(2)(gg) of section 5751.01 of the Revised Code. The  | 19519 |
| application shall include such information that the tax          | 19520 |
| commissioner prescribes. Within sixty days after receiving the   | 19521 |
| application, the tax commissioner shall certify the zone for     | 19522 |
| that purpose if the commissioner determines that the property    | 19523 |
| qualifies as a uranium enrichment zone, or, if the tax           | 19524 |
| commissioner determines that the property does not qualify, the  | 19525 |
| commissioner shall deny the application or request additional    | 19526 |
| information from the applicant. If the tax commissioner denies   | 19527 |
| an application, the commissioner shall state the reasons for the | 19528 |
| denial. The applicant may appeal the denial of an application to | 19529 |
| the board of tax appeals pursuant to section 5717.02 of the      | 19530 |
| Revised Code. If the applicant files a timely appeal, the tax    | 19531 |
| commissioner shall conditionally certify the applicant's         | 19532 |

property. The conditional certification shall expire when all of 19533 the applicant's appeals are exhausted. Until final resolution of 19534 the appeal, the applicant shall retain the applicant's records 19535 in accordance with section 5751.12 of the Revised Code, 19536 notwithstanding any time limit on the preservation of records 19537 under that section. 19538 Sec. 5751.42. (A) As used in this section and division (F) 19539 (2) (jj) of section 5751.01 of the Revised Code: 19540 (1) "Qualifying integrated supply chain receipts" means 19541 receipts of a qualified integrated supply chain vendor from the 19542 sale of qualified property delivered to, or integrated supply 19543 chain services provided to, another gualified integrated supply 19544 chain vendor or to a retailer that is a member of the integrated 19545 supply chain. "Qualifying integrated supply chain receipts" does 19546 not include receipts of a person that is not a gualified 19547 integrated supply chain vendor from the sale of raw materials to 19548 a member of an integrated supply chain, or receipts of a member 19549 of an integrated supply chain from the sale of qualified 19550 property or integrated supply chain services to a person that is 19551 not a member of the integrated supply chain. 19552 (2) "Qualified property" means any of the following: 19553 (a) Component parts used to hold, contain, package, or 19554 dispense qualified products, excluding equipment. 19555 (b) Work-in-process inventory that will become, comprise, 19556 or form a component part of a qualified product capable of being 19557 sold at retail, excluding equipment, machinery, furniture, and 19558 19559 fixtures. (c) Finished goods inventory that is a gualified product 19560 capable of being sold at retail in the inventory's present form. 19561

(3) "Qualified integrated supply chain vendor" means a 19562 person that is a member of an integrated supply chain and that 19563 provides integrated supply chain services within a qualified 19564 integrated supply chain district to a retailer that is a member 19565 of the integrated supply chain or to another qualified 19566 integrated supply chain vendor that is located within the same 19567 such district as the person but does not share a common owner 19568 with that person. 19569 (4) "Qualified product" means a personal care, health, or 19570 beauty product or an aromatic product, including a candle. 19571 "Qualified product" does not include a drug that may be 19572 dispensed only pursuant to a prescription, durable medical 19573 equipment, mobility enhancing equipment, or a prosthetic device, 19574 as those terms are defined in section 5739.01 of the Revised 19575 19576 Code. (5) "Integrated supply chain" means two or more qualified 19577 integrated supply chain vendors certified on the most recent 19578 list certified to the tax commissioner under division (B) of 19579 this section that systematically collaborate and coordinate 19580 business operations with a retailer on the flow of tangible 19581 personal property from material sourcing through manufacturing, 19582 assembly, packaging, and delivery to the retailer to improve 19583 long-term financial performance of each vendor and the supply 19584 chain that includes the retailer. 19585 (6) "Integrated supply chain services" means procuring raw 19586 materials or manufacturing, processing, refining, assembling, 19587 packaging, or repackaging tangible personal property that will 19588 become finished goods inventory capable of being sold at retail 19589 by a retailer that is a member of an integrated supply chain. 19590 (7) "Retailer" means a person primarily engaged in making 19591

retail sales and any member of that person's consolidated 19592 elected taxpaver group or combined taxpaver group, whether or 19593 not that member is primarily engaged in making retail sales. 19594 (8) "Qualified integrated supply chain district" means the 19595 parcel or parcels of land from which a retailer's integrated 19596 supply chain that existed on September 29, 2015, provides or 19597 receives integrated supply chain services, and to which all of 19598 the following apply: 19599 (a) The parcel or parcels are located wholly in a county 19600 having a population of greater than one hundred sixty-five 19601 thousand but less than one hundred seventy thousand based on the 19602 2010 federal decennial census. 19603 (b) The parcel or parcels are located wholly in the 19604 corporate limits of a municipal corporation with a population 19605 greater than seven thousand five hundred and less than eight 19606 thousand based on the 2010 federal decennial census that is 19607 partly located in the county described in division (A)(8)(a) of 19608 this section, as those corporate limits existed on September 29, 19609 2015. 19610 (c) The aggregate acreage of the parcel or parcels equals 19611 or exceeds one hundred acres. 19612 (B) For the purpose of the certification under division 19613 (A) (5) of this section, the reporting person for each retailer, 19614 on or before the first day of October of each year, shall 19615 certify to the tax commissioner a list of the qualified 19616 integrated supply chain vendors providing or receiving 19617 integrated supply chain services within a qualified integrated 19618 supply chain district for the ensuing calendar year. On or 19619 before the following first day of November, the commissioner 19620

otherwise due for any tax period beginning after the date on19651which a relocation of employment positions occurs in violation19652of an agreement entered into under section 122.17 or 122.171 of19653the Revised Code.19654

(B) For tax periods beginning on or after January 1, 2008, 19655 a nonrefundable credit granted by the tax credit authority under 19656 division (B) of section 122.171 of the Revised Code may be 19657 claimed under this chapter in the order required under section 19658 5751.98 of the Revised Code. A credit claimed in calendar year 19659 2008 may not be applied against the tax otherwise due under this 19660 chapter for a tax period beginning before July 1, 2008. The 19661 credit shall not be claimed against the tax otherwise due for 19662 any tax period beginning after the date on which a relocation of 19663 employment positions occurs in violation of an agreement entered 19664 into under section 122.17 or 122.171 of the Revised Code. No 19665 credit shall be allowed under this chapter if the credit was 19666 available against the tax imposed by section 5733.06 or 5747.02 19667 of the Revised Code, except to the extent the credit was not 19668 applied against such tax. 19669

Sec. 5751.51. (A) As used in this section, "qualified19670research expenses" has the same meaning as in section 41 of the19671Internal Revenue Code.19672

(B) (1) For tax periods calendar years beginning on or 19673 after January 1, 2008, a nonrefundable credit may be claimed 19674 under this chapter equal to seven per cent of the excess of (a) 19675 qualified research expenses incurred in this state by the 19676 taxpayer in the tax period calendar year for which the credit is 19677 claimed over (b) the taxpayer's average annual qualified 19678 research expenses incurred in this state for the three preceding 19679 tax periods calendar years. 19680

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(2) The taxpayer shall claim the credit allowed under 19681 division (B)(1) of this section in the order required by section 19682 5751.98 of the Revised Code. A credit claimed in tax calendar 19683 year 2008 may not be applied against the tax otherwise due under 19684 this chapter for a tax period beginning before July 1, 2008. Any 19685 credit amount in excess of the tax due under section 5751.03 of 19686 the Revised Code, after allowing for any other credits that 19687 precede the credit under this section in the order required 19688 under that section, may be carried forward for seven tax years, 19689 but the amount of the excess credit claimed against the tax for 19690 any tax period shall be deducted from the balance carried 19691 forward to the next tax period. 19692

(3) No credit shall be allowed under this chapter if the
credit was available against the tax imposed by section 5733.06
of the Revised Code, except to the extent the credit was not
applied against such tax.

### Sec. 5753.11. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Public school district" means any city, local, 19698 exempted village, or joint vocational school district, community 19699 school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code, STEM 19700 school established under Chapter 3326. of the Revised Code, or 19701 college-preparatory boarding school established under Chapter 19702 3328. of the Revised Code. "Public school district" does not 19703 include any STEM school operated under section 3326.51 of the 19704 Revised Code. 19705

(2) "Student population" means the number of students
residing in a county who are enrolled in a public school
district in grades kindergarten through twelve and the total
number of preschool children with disabilities on the following
dates:

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| (a) For the January distribution, the Friday of the first        | 19711 |
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| full school week in October;                                     | 19712 |
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| (b) For the August distribution, the Friday of the first         | 19713 |
| full school week in May.   | 19714 |
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| (B) For the purpose of calculating student population,           | 19715 |
| each public school district shall, twice annually, report to the | 19716 |
| department of education the students enrolled in the district on | 19717 |
| the days specified in division (A)(2) of this section. A student | 19718 |
| shall be considered to be enrolled in a public school district   | 19719 |
| if the student is participating in education programs of the     | 19720 |
| public school district and the public school district has not:   | 19721 |
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| (1) Received documentation from a parent terminating             | 19722 |

enrollment of the student; 19723 (2) Been provided documentation of a student's enrollment 19724

in another public or private school; or

(3) Ceased to offer education to the student. 19726

If more than one public school district reports a student 19727 as enrolled, the department shall use procedures adopted by the 19728 department for the reconciliation of enrollment to determine the 19729 district of enrollment for purposes of this section. In the case 19730 of the dual enrollment of a student in a joint vocational school 19731 district and another public school district, the student shall 19732 be included in the enrollments for both schools. If the valid 19733 school district or enrollment cannot be determined in time for 19734 the certification, the count of these students shall be divided 19735 equally between the reporting districts. 19736

(C) The department of education shall certify to the19737department of taxation the student population for each countyand the student population for each public school district19739

located in whole or in part in the county on or before the 19740 thirtieth day of December, for the January distribution and on 19741 or before the thirtieth day of July, for the August 19742 distribution. A student shall be included in the school district 19743 enrollment for a county only if a student resides in that 19744 county. The location of each community school shall be the 19745 enrollment area required to be defined by the community school 19746 and its sponsor in accordance with division (A) (19) of section 19747 3314.03 of the Revised Code, the location of each STEM schools 19748 school shall be any county in which its enrolled students 19749 reside, and the location of the college-preparatory boarding 19750 schools shall be the territory of the school district in which 19751 the college-preparatory school is located or the territory of 19752 any city, exempted village, or local school district that has 19753 agreed to be a participating district under section 3328.04 of 19754 the Revised Code. 19755

The student population count certified by the department19756of education to the department of taxation is final and shall19757not be adjusted by future updates to the counts.19758

(D) Not later than the thirty-first day of January and the
thirty-first day of August of each year, the tax commissioner
shall distribute funds in the gross casino revenue county
student fund to public school districts. The commissioner shall
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calculate the amount of funds to distribute to each public
school district as follows:

(1) The commissioner shall calculate the proportional
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share of the funds attributable to each county by dividing the
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total student population certified for each county by the sum of
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the total student population certified in all counties
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statewide.

(2) The commissioner shall multiply the amount in division
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(3) The commissioner shall multiply the amount in division
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(D) (2) of this section by the sum of the student in the county.

The commissioner shall distribute to each public school19779district the amount so calculated for each district.19780

Section 2. That existing sections 122.075, 125.831, 19781 131.45, 133.01, 133.06, 133.07, 133.18, 135.142, 305.31, 19782 306.322, 307.671, 307.672, 307.674, 307.678, 307.695, 319.301, 19783 321.03, 321.20, 323.154, 351.01, 351.03, 351.141, 718.01, 19784 718.021, 929.01, 1545.041, 1545.21, 1711.15, 1711.16, 3316.03, 19785 3316.06, 3317.01, 4301.20, 4582.024, 4582.26, 4582.56, 5701.08, 19786 5701.12, 5703.04, 5703.211, 5703.54, 5703.94, 5703.95, 5705.03, 19787 5705.13, 5705.19, 5705.195, 5705.213, 5705.252, 5705.29, 19788 5705.315, 5705.34, 5705.35, 5705.36, 5705.49, 5709.201, 5709.43, 19789 5709.48, 5709.53, 5709.61, 5709.80, 5709.85, 5709.93, 5713.03, 19790 5713.30, 5713.351, 5715.13, 5715.36, 5721.06, 5721.191, 5721.39, 19791 5725.98, 5726.50, 5727.02, 5727.11, 5727.23, 5727.32, 5727.33, 19792 5727.80, 5727.83, 5727.84, 5729.98, 5733.042, 5733.05, 5733.052, 19793 5733.055, 5733.40, 5733.98, 5735.026, 5735.06, 5739.01, 19794 5739.011, 5739.02, 5739.021, 5739.028, 5739.03, 5739.034, 19795 5739.05, 5739.08, 5739.09, 5739.21, 5740.02, 5743.05, 5743.08, 19796 5743.33, 5743.65, 5745.14, 5747.01, 5747.011, 5747.012, 19797 5747.013, 5747.02, 5747.058, 5747.061, 5747.07, 5747.082, 19798 5747.11, 5747.231, 5747.41, 5747.51, 5747.52, 5747.55, 5747.98, 19799

5748.08, 5748.09, 5751.01, 5751.08, 5751.09, 5751.50, 5751.51, 19800 and 5753.11 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed. 19801 Section 3. That sections 901.13, 5705.211, 5727.87, 19802 5733.46, 5739.105, 5747.75, and 5751.23 of the Revised Code are 19803 hereby repealed. 19804 Section 4. This act shall be known as the "Tax Code 19805 Streamlining and Correction Act." 19806 Section 5. The General Assembly, applying the principle 19807 stated in division (B) of section 1.52 of the Revised Code that 19808 amendments are to be harmonized if reasonably capable of 19809 simultaneous operation, finds that the following sections, 19810 presented in this act as composites of the sections as amended 19811 by the acts indicated, are the resulting versions of the 19812 sections in effect prior to the effective date of the sections 19813 as presented in this act: 19814 Section 133.18 of the Revised Code as amended by Am. Sub. 19815 H.B. 48 of the 128th General Assembly and Am. Sub. H.B. 153 of 19816 the 129th General Assembly. 19817 Section 5705.19 of the Revised Code as amended by both 19818 Sub. H.B. 122 and Sub. H.B. 500 of the 132nd General Assembly. 19819 Section 5747.01 of the Revised Code as amended by Am. Sub. 19820 H.B. 166 of the 133rd General Assembly and Sub. H.B. 24 and Sub. 19821

S.B. 22 both of the 132nd General Assembly. 19822