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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio:

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Section 101.01. That sections 3.15, 9.03, 9.07, 9.239, 9.24, 9.27, 9.28, 9.312, 9.331, 9.334, 9.35, 9.67, 9.681, 9.821, 101.30, 101.352, 101.53, 101.63, 101.65, 101.82, 101.83, 101.84, 102.02, 103.05, 103.051, 103.13, 103.65, 106.02, 106.021, 106.023, 106.024, 106.031, 107.03, 107.03

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Sec. 3.15. (A) Except as otherwise provided in division (B) of this section, at all times during one's term of office:

- (1) Each member of the general assembly and each elected voting member of the state board of education shall be a resident of the district the member represents.
- (2) Each judge and each elected officer of a court shall be a resident of the territory of that court.
- (3) Each person holding an elective office of a political subdivision shall be a resident of that political subdivision.
- (4) Each member of a municipal legislative authority who represents a ward shall be a resident of the ward the member represents, and each member of a board of education of a city school district who represents a subdistrict shall be a resident of the subdistrict the member represents.
- (B) Any person who fails to meet any of the requirements of division (A) of this section that apply to the person shall forfeit the office. Division (A) of this section applies to person shall forfeit the office.

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- (2) A legislative document that is not otherwise exempt from disclosure as a public record under division (B)(1) of this section is not a public record for purposes of section 149.43 of the Revised Code during the general assembly in which the legislative document was created. After the general assembly in which the legislative document was created has adjourned sine die, the legislative document is a public record for purposes of section 149.43 of the Revised Code unless the legislative document would be privileged under Ohio Constitution, Article II, Section 12.
- (C)(1) A legislative document is a public record for purposes of section 149.43 of the Revised Code if it is an analysis, synopsis, fiscal note, or local impact statement prepared by legislative staff that is required to be prepared by law, or by a rule of either house of the general assembly, for the benefit of the members of either or both of those houses or any legislative committee and if it has been presented to those members.
- (2) A legislative document is a public record for purposes of section 149.43 of the Revised Code if a member of the general assembly for whom legislative staff prepared the legislative document does any of the following:
- (a) Files it for introduction with the clerk of the senate or the clerk of the house of representatives, if it is a bill or resolution;
- (b) Presents it at a committee hearing or floor session, if it is an amendment to a bill or resolution or is a substitute bill or resolution;
- (c) Releases it, or authorizes general assembly staff or legislative staff to release it, to the public.
- (D) Nothing in this section or section 149.43 of the Revised Code diminishes, extinguishes, or otherwise limits or restricts the privileges set forth in, or that emanate from, Ohio Constitution, Article II, Section 12.

Sec. 101.352. If the joint committee on agency rule review becomes aware that an agency subject to its jurisdiction is relying upon a principle of law or policy that, under section 121.93 of the Revised Code, should have been supplanted by its restatement in a rule, the chairperson of the joint committee responsible for calling and conducting meetings under section 101.35 of the Revised Code, in that chairperson's sole discretion, may request the agency to appear before the joint committee to address why, notwithstanding section 121.93 of the Revised Code, it is so relying. The request shall specify the time and place at which a designee of the agency is to appear before the joint committee to address, and to answer the joint committee's questions concerning, the agency's reliance. The date set for the appearance shall be not earlier than thirty days after the joint committee transmits the request to the agency. The joint committee shall transmit the request to the agency electronically. The joint committee also shall publish the request on its web site, as part of the relevant meeting agenda, and shall indicate in conjunction with the published request that any person is invited to appear before the joint committee when the agency appears to offer and make comments to the joint committee concerning the agency's reliance.

Upon receiving the request, the agency shall designate a suitable agency officer or employee

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to appear on behalf of the agency before the joint committee as directed in the request. The agency electronically shall notify the joint committee of the name, title, telephone number, and electronic mail address of the officer or employee who has been designated to appear before the joint committee in response to the request.

Upon appearing before the joint committee, the agency's designee shall address why the agency is relying upon a principle of law or policy that, notwithstanding section 121.93 of the Revised Code, has not been supplanted by its restatement in a rule. The members of the joint committee may question the agency's designee concerning the agency's reliance. Any person may offer and make comments to the joint committee concerning the agency's reliance.

After the appearance has concluded, the joint committee, by vote of a majority of its members, in writing may recommend to the agency that it supplant the principle of law or policy that it is relying upon by its restatement in a rule. The joint committee shall support its recommendation with a brief rationale of why, under section 121.93 of the Revised Code, the principle of law or policy should be supplanted by its restatement in a rule. The joint committee shall transmit the recommendation electronically to the agency.

After receiving the recommendation from the joint committee, the agency shall commence the rule-making process as soon as it is reasonably feasible to do so, but not later than the date that is six-three months after the recommendation was received. The principle of law or policy as it is restated in a rule does not need to be wholly congruent with the supplanted principle of law or policy. The agency lawfully may improve or develop further the supplanted principle of law or policy as it is restated in a rule.

The agency may continue to rely upon the principle of law or policy, but only while it is complying with the preceding paragraph. The agency may not rely upon the principle of law or policy in advising with regard to or in determining the rights or liabilities of a person if the any of the following apply:

- (A) The agency fails to commence the rule-making process by the deadline specified in the preceding paragraph, or if, after.
- (B) After commencing the rule-making process, the agency neglects or abandons the rulemaking process before it is completed.
- (C) The agency fails to file a rule recommended under this section in final form within one year of receiving a written recommendation from the joint committee in accordance with this section.
- (D) After filing a proposed rule and rule summary and fiscal analysis with the joint committee, the agency notifies the joint committee of the agency's intention to file a revised proposed rule as described in division (B) of section 106.02 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 101.53. (A) A legislative action to amend or enact a codified or uncodified statutory section shall be indicated in bills and enrolled acts according to the following principles:

(1) New matter that is to be inserted into an existing codified or uncodified section shall be
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shall designate one committee member from the house who is a member of the majority party as the committee chairperson, and the president shall designate one committee member from the senate who is a member of the majority party as the committee vice-chairperson and one committee member from the senate who is a member of the minority party as the committee ranking minority member.

- (D) In appointing members from the minority party, and in designating ranking minority members, the president and speaker shall consult with the minority leader of their respective houses.
- (E) The Ohio health oversight and advisory committee shall meet at the call of the chairperson.
- (F) The executive director and other employees of the joint medicaid oversight committee legislative service commission shall serve provide staff services to the Ohio health oversight and advisory committee to enable the committee to successfully and efficiently perform its duties.

Sec. 106.02. Except as provided in section 106.026 of the Revised Code, all of the following apply to a proposed rule:

- (A) Subject to division (B) of this section, when an agency files a proposed rule and rule summary and fiscal analysis with the joint committee on agency rule review, the joint committee shall review the proposed rule and rule summary and fiscal analysis, and an invalidating concurrent resolution may be adopted, not later than the sixty-fifth day after the day on which the proposed rule was filed with the joint committee. If, after filing the original version of a proposed rule, the agency makes a revision in the proposed rule, the agency shall file the revised proposed rule and a revised rule summary and fiscal analysis with the joint committee. If the revised proposed rule is filed thirty five or fewer days after the original version of the proposed rule was filed, the joint committee shall review the revised proposed rule and revised rule summary and fiscal analysis, and an invalidating concurrent resolution may be adopted, not later than the sixty-fifth day after the original version of the proposed rule was filed. If, however, the revised proposed rule is filed more than thirty-five days after the original version of the proposed rule was filed, the joint committee shall review the revised proposed rule and revised rule summary and fiscal analysis, and an invalidating concurrent resolution may be adopted, not later than the thirtieth day after the revised proposed rule was filed with the joint committee.
- (B) If, after filing a proposed rule and rule summary and fiscal analysis with the joint committee, an agency determines that it needs additional time to consider the proposed rule and possibly file a revised proposed rule, the agency may notify the joint committee of the agency's intention to file a revised proposed rule. When the agency notifies the joint committee of its intention to file a revised proposed rule, the running of the time within which an invalidating concurrent resolution may be adopted is tolled.

If, after notifying the joint committee of the agency's intention to file a revised proposed rule, the agency makes a revision in the proposed rule, the agency shall file the revised proposed rule and a revised rule summary and fiscal analysis with the joint committee. If the revised proposed rule

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is filed thirty-five or fewer days after the agency filed the original version of the proposed rule, the joint committee shall review the revised proposed rule and revised rule summary and fiscal analysis, and an invalidating concurrent resolution may be adopted, not later than the sixty-fifth day after the agency filed the original version of the proposed rule. If, however, the revised proposed rule is filed more than thirty-five days after the agency filed the original version of the proposed rule, the joint committee shall review the revised proposed rule and revised rule summary and fiscal analysis, and an invalidating concurrent resolution may be adopted, not later than the thirtieth day after the revised proposed rule is filed with the joint committee.

(C) When an original or revised version of a proposed rule and rule summary and fiscal analysis is filed with the joint committee in December or in the following January before the first day of the legislative session, the joint committee shall review the proposed rule and rule summary and fiscal analysis, and an invalidating concurrent resolution may be adopted, as if the original version of the proposed rule and rule summary and fiscal analysis had been filed with the joint committee on the first day of the legislative session in the following January. If, however, the original version of a proposed rule and rule summary and fiscal analysis have been pending before the joint committee for more than thirty-five days, and the proposed rule and rule summary and fiscal analysis are revised in December or in the following January before the first day of the legislative session, the joint committee shall review the revised proposed rule and revised rule summary and fiscal analysis, and an invalidating concurrent resolution may be adopted, not later than the thirtieth day after the first day of the legislative session in the following January.

(D) A revised proposed rule supersedes each earlier version of the same proposed rule.

(E) The joint committee shall endeavor not to hold its public hearing on a proposed rule earlier than the forty-first day after the proposed rule was filed with the joint committee. The chairperson of the joint committee responsible for calling and conducting meetings under section 101.35 of the Revised Code may select a date for the committee's public hearing on a proposed rule that is earlier than the forty-first day after the proposed rule was filed.

Sec. 106.021. If, upon reviewing a proposed rule or revised proposed rule, the joint committee on agency rule review makes any of the following findings with regard to the proposed rule or revised proposed rule, the joint committee may recommend to the senate and house of representatives the adoption of a concurrent resolution to invalidate the proposed rule or revised proposed rule or a part thereof:

- (A) The proposed rule or revised proposed rule exceeds the scope of its statutory authority.
- (B) The proposed rule or revised proposed rule conflicts with the legislative intent of the statute under which it was proposed.
- (C) The proposed rule or revised proposed rule conflicts with another proposed or existing rule.
- (D) The proposed rule or revised proposed rule incorporates a text or other material by reference and:

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- (1) The accompanying citation is not such as reasonably would enable a reasonable person to whom the proposed rule or revised proposed rule applies readily and without charge to find and inspect the incorporated text or other material;
- (2) The accompanying citation is not such as reasonably would enable the joint committee readily and without charge to find and inspect the incorporated text or other material, and the agency did not file or otherwise make the incorporated text or other material available without charge to the ioint committee; or
- (3) The agency has treated the proposed rule or revised proposed rule in whole or in part as exempt from sections 121.71 to 121.74 of the Revised Code on grounds the incorporated text or other material has one or more of the characteristics described in division (B) of section 121.75 of the Revised Code, but the incorporated text or other material actually does not have any of those characteristics.
- (E) The agency has failed to prepare a complete and accurate rule summary and fiscal analysis of the proposed rule or revised proposed rule as required by section 106.024 of the Revised Code.
- (F) The agency has failed to demonstrate through the business impact analysis, recommendations from the common sense initiative office, and the memorandum of response that the regulatory intent of the proposed rule or revised proposed rule justifies its adverse impact on businesses in this state.
- (G) If the state agency is subject to sections 121.95, 121.951, 121.952, and 121.953 of the Revised Code, the agency has failed to justify the proposed adoption, amendment, or rescission of a rule containing a regulatory restriction.

(H) The proposed rule or revised proposed rule implements a federal law or rule in a manner that is more stringent or burdensome than the federal law or rule requires.

(I) If the state agency is subject to sections 121.95, 121.951, 121.952, and 121.953 of the Revised Code, for purposes of those sections, the proposed rule or revised proposed rule removes of replaces "shall," "must," "require," "shall not," "may not," "prohibit," or similar words in a portion of a rule but does not remove a regulatory restriction as defined in section 121.95 of the Revised Code.

(J) The proposed rule or revised proposed rule is subject to section 106.025 of the Revised Code, and the joint committee has complied with division (B) of that section.

Sec. 106.023. (A) An agency may not adopt a proposed rule or revised proposed rule or file it in final form unless the proposed rule has been filed with the joint committee on agency rule review under division (D) of section 111.15 or division (C) of section 119.03 of the Revised Code and the one of the following applies:

(1) The time for the joint committee to review the proposed rule and for the adoption of an invalidating concurrent resolution has expired without adoption of a concurrent resolution to invalidate the proposed rule;

(2) The rule or revised proposed rule is subject to section 106.026 of the Revised Code, and The above boxed and initialed text was

a law authorizing its adoption has been enacted in accordance with Ohio Constitution, Article II, Sections 15 and 16.

(B) If, before the time for its review of a proposed rule or revised proposed rule expires, the joint committee recommends adoption of a concurrent resolution invalidating the proposed rule or revised proposed rule, and the senate and house of representatives does not, within the time remaining for adoption of the concurrent resolution, hold five sessions at which its journal records a roll call vote disclosing a sufficient number of members in attendance to pass a bill, the time within which that house may adopt the concurrent resolution is extended until it has held five such sessions.

Sec. 106.024. (A) As used in this section:

- (1) "Agency" has the meaning defined in section 106.01 of the Revised Code.
- (2) "Rule" includes the adoption, amendment, or rescission of a rule.
- (3) "Proposed rule" means the original version of a proposed rule, and each revised version of the same proposed rule, that is filed with the joint committee on agency rule review under division (D) of section 111.15 or division (C) of section 119.03 of the Revised Code.
- (B) An agency shall prepare, on the form designed by the joint committee on agency rule review, a complete and accurate rule summary and fiscal analysis of each proposed rule that it files under division (D) of section 111.15 or division (C) of section 119.03 of the Revised Code.

The joint committee on agency rule review shall design a form for the rule summary and fiscal analysis. In the form, the joint committee shall include a space where an agency shall explain the reasoning for any proposed rescission of a rule, including a statement as to whether the agency intends to continue relying on a principle of law or policy stated in the rule when conducting adjudications or other determinations of rights and liabilities or in issuing writings and other materials.

The form also may solicit information such as the following information:

- (1) The name, address, and telephone number of the agency, and the name, telephone number, and electronic mail address of an individual or office within the agency designated by that agency to be responsible for coordinating and making available information in the possession of the agency regarding the proposed rule;
 - (2) The Ohio Administrative Code rule number of the proposed rule;
- (3) A brief summary of, and the legal basis for, the proposed rule, including citations identifying the statute that prescribes the procedure in accordance with which the agency is required to adopt the proposed rule, the statute that authorizes the agency to adopt the proposed rule, and the statute that the agency intends to amplify or implement by adopting the proposed rule;
- (4) An estimate, in dollars, of the amount by which the proposed rule would increase or decrease revenues or expenditures during the current biennium;
- (5) A citation identifying the appropriation that authorizes each expenditure that would be necessitated by the proposed rule;
 - (6) A summary of the estimated cost of compliance with the rule to all directly affected. The above boxed and initialed text was

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- (7) The reasons why the rule is being proposed;
- (8) If the rule has a fiscal effect on school districts, counties, townships, or municipal corporations, an estimate in dollars of the cost of compliance with the rule, or, if dollar amounts cannot be determined, a written explanation of why it was not possible to ascertain dollar amounts;
- (9) If the rule has a fiscal effect on school districts, counties, townships, or municipal corporations and is the result of a federal requirement, a clear explanation that the proposed state rule does not exceed the scope and intent of the requirement, or, if the state rule does exceed the minimum necessary federal requirement, a justification of the excess cost, and an estimate of the costs, including those costs for local governments, exceeding the federal requirement;
- (10) If the rule has a fiscal effect on school districts, counties, townships, or municipal corporations, a comprehensive cost estimate that includes the procedure and method of calculating the costs of compliance and identifies major cost categories including personnel costs, new equipment or other capital costs, operating costs, and indirect central service costs related to the rule. The fiscal analysis shall also include a written explanation of the agency's and the affected local government's ability to pay for the new requirements and a statement of any impact the rule will have on economic development.
- (11) If the rule incorporates a text or other material by reference, and the agency claims the incorporation by reference is exempt from compliance with sections 121.71 to 121.74 of the Revised Code on grounds the incorporated text or other material has one or more of the characteristics described in division (B) of section 121.75 of the Revised Code, an explanation of how incorporated text or other material is exempted under that division;
- (12) If the rule imposes a fee, an explanation of how the fee directly relates to the cost actually incurred by the agency in performing the function for which the fee is charged.

The rule summary and fiscal analysis form, instead of or in addition to the foregoing, may solicit any other information the joint committee on agency rule review considers necessary to make the proposed rule or the fiscal effect of the proposed rule fully understandable.

- (C) The agency shall file the rule summary and fiscal analysis in electronic form along with the proposed rule that it files under division (D) of section 111.15 or divisions (B) and (C) of section 119.03 of the Revised Code. The joint committee on agency rule review shall not accept any proposed rule for filing unless a copy of the rule summary and fiscal analysis of the proposed rule, completely and accurately prepared, is filed along with the proposed rule.
- (D) The joint committee on agency rule review shall review the fiscal effect of each proposed rule that is filed under division (D) of section 111.15 or division (C) of section 119.03 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 106.025. (A) Except as provided in division (C) of this section, on reviewing a proposed rule or revised proposed rule, the joint committee on agency rule review may proceed in accordance with division (B) of this section if it makes any of the following findings with respect to the rule's

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summary and fiscal analysis:

- (1) The proposed rule or revised proposed rule will increase the agency's expenditures during the current biennium by one hundred thousand dollars or more.
- (2) The cost to comply with the proposed rule or revised proposed rule for a directly affected person will be one hundred thousand dollars or more.
- (3) The proposed rule or revised proposed rule will impose an annual effect on this state's economy of one million dollars or more.
- (B) If the joint committee makes one or more of the findings listed in division (A) of this section, the chairperson of the joint committee responsible for calling and conducting meetings under section 101.35 of the Revised Code may request a designee of the filing agency to appear before the joint committee to answer questions about the fiscal effect of the proposed rule or revised proposed rule. The request shall be transmitted to the agency electronically and specify the time and place at which a designee is to appear before the joint committee to answer the joint committee's questions.

On receiving the request, the agency shall designate a suitable agency officer or employee to appear on behalf of the agency before the joint committee as directed in the request. The agency electronically shall notify the joint committee of the name, title, telephone number, and electronic mail address of the officer or employee who has been designated to appear before the joint committee in response to the request.

After the appearance has concluded, or if the agency designee fails to appear, the joint committee may do any of the following:

- (1) Allow the time for legislative review to expire;
- (2) Recommend the adoption of a concurrent resolution to invalidate the proposed rule under section 106.021 of the Revised Code;
- (3) By vote of a majority of its members, refer the rule for consideration by the full general assembly in accordance with section 106.026 of the Revised Code.
- (C) This section does not apply to a proposed rule or revised proposed rule if the rule is based on specific statutory language authorizing or requiring an agency to adopt the rule as opposed to a general grant of authority to adopt rules implementing a law.

Sec. 106.026. (A) This section applies to a proposed rule or revised proposed rule that the joint committee on agency rule review has, in accordance with section 106.025 of the Revised Code, referred for consideration by the full general assembly.

(B) If a proposed rule or revised proposed rule is subject to this section, the chairperson of the joint committee on agency rule review responsible for calling and conducting meetings under section 101.35 of the Revised Code shall immediately transmit the proposed rule or revised proposed rule and rule summary and fiscal analysis to the clerk of the senate and the clerk of the house of representatives. After the chairperson of the joint committee transmits the rule and rule summary and fiscal analysis under this division, all of the following apply:

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- (1) The joint committee shall take no further action with respect to the proposed rule until after it is adopted or refiled in accordance with division (D) of this section.
 - (2) The agency shall not file a revised proposed version of the rule.
- (3) The agency shall not adopt the proposed rule unless adoption is authorized by a law enacted in accordance with Ohio Constitution, Article II, Sections 15 and 16 after the chairperson transmits the rule and rule summary and fiscal analysis under this division.
- (C) As soon as practicable after receiving a proposed rule or revised proposed rule transmitted under division (B) of this section:
- (1) The clerk of the senate shall make the proposed rule or revised proposed rule and rule summary and fiscal analysis available to all members of the senate; and
- (2) The clerk of the house of representatives shall make the proposed rule or revised proposed rule and rule summary and fiscal analysis available to all members of the house of representatives.

Any member of the general assembly may introduce legislation authorizing the agency to adopt the proposed rule or revised proposed rule.

- (D) If a law authorizing the proposed rule or revised proposed rule is enacted before the general assembly adjourns sine die, legislative review under this chapter ends and the agency may, on or after the law's effective date, file the rule in compliance with section 111.15 or 119.04 of the Revised Code, as applicable. If a law authorizing the rule is not enacted before the general assembly adjourns sine die, the proposed rule or revised proposed rule is invalidated. The agency may refile the rule and rule summary and fiscal analysis with the joint committee.
- (E) This section does not apply to any rule that is exempt from legislative review under division (D) of section 111.15 of the Revised Code or division (C) of section 119.03 of the Revised Code.
- (F) The enactment of a law in accordance with Ohio Constitution, Article II, Sections 15 and 16, authorizing an agency to adopt a proposed rule or revised proposed rule to which this section applies, does not do either of the following:
- (1) Grant an agency additional rulemaking authority or modify the agency's existing rulemaking authority;
 - (2) Extinguish or modify any claim against an agency arising from the rule.
- (G) The enactment of a law in accordance with Ohio Constitution, Article II, Sections 15 and 16, authorizing an agency to adopt a proposed rule or revised proposed rule to which this section applies, shall not be used as evidence in any proceeding concerning the rule except for the purpose of determining whether the rule is in effect.

Sec. 106.031. If an agency, on the basis of its review of a rule under section 106.03 of the Revised Code, determines that the rule does not need to be amended or rescinded, proceedings shall be had as follows:

(A)(1) If, considering only the standard of review specified in division (A)(7) of section

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106.03 of the Revised Code, the rule has an adverse impact on businesses, the agency shall prepare a business impact analysis that describes its review of the rule under that division and that explains why the regulatory intent of the rule justifies its adverse impact on businesses. If the rule does not have an adverse impact on businesses, the agency may proceed under division (B) of this section.

- (2) The agency shall transmit a copy of the full text of the rule and the business impact analysis electronically to the common sense initiative office. The office shall make the rule and analysis available to the public on its web site under section 107.62 of the Revised Code.
 - (3) The agency shall consider any recommendations made by the office.
- (4) Not earlier than the sixteenth business day after transmitting the rule and analysis to the office, the agency shall either (a) proceed under divisions (A)(5) and (B) of this section or (b) commence, under division (B)(1) of section 106.03 of the Revised Code, the process of rescinding the rule or of amending the rule to incorporate into the rule features the recommendations suggest will eliminate or reduce the adverse impact the rule has on businesses. If the agency determines to amend or rescind the rule, the agency is not subject to the time limit specified in division (B)(1) of section 106.03 of the Revised Code.
- (5) If the agency receives recommendations from the office, and determines not to amend or rescind the rule, the agency shall prepare a memorandum of response that explains why the rule is not being rescinded or why the recommendations are not being incorporated into the rule.
- (B) The agency shall assign a new review date to the rule. The review date assigned shall be not later than five years after the immediately preceding review date pertaining to the rule. If the agency assigns a review date that exceeds the five-year maximum, the review date is five years after the immediately preceding review date. The immediately preceding review date includes the date of the review of a rule under section 106.032 of the Revised Code.
- (C) The agency shall file all the following, in electronic form, with the joint committee on agency rule review, the secretary of state, and the director of the legislative service commission: a copy of the rule specifying its new review date, a complete and accurate rule summary and fiscal analysis, and, if relevant, a business impact analysis of the rule, any recommendations received from the common sense initiative office, and any memorandum of response.
- (D) The joint committee shall publish notice of the agency's determination not to amend or rescind the rule in the register of Ohio for four consecutive weeks after the rule is filed under division (C) of this section.
- (E) During the ninety-day period after a rule is filed under division (C) of this section, but after the four-week notice period required by division (D) of this section has ended, the joint committee may recommend to the senate and house of representatives the adoption of a concurrent resolution invalidating the rule if the joint committee finds any of the following:
- (1) The agency improperly applied the standards in division (A) of section 106.03 of the Revised Code in reviewing the rule and in determining that the rule did not need amendment or rescission.

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- (2) The rule has an adverse impact on businesses, and the agency has failed to demonstrate through a business impact analysis, recommendations from the common sense initiative office, and a memorandum of response that the regulatory intent of the rule justifies its adverse impact on businesses.
 - (3) If the rule incorporates a text or other material by reference, any of the following applies:
- (a) The citation accompanying the incorporation by reference is not such as reasonably would enable a reasonable person to whom the rule applies readily and without charge to find and inspect the incorporated text or other material;
- (b) The citation accompanying the incorporation by reference is not such as reasonably would enable the joint committee readily and without charge to find and inspect the incorporated text or other material; or
- (c) The rule has been exempted in whole or in part from sections 121.71 to 121.74 of the Revised Code on grounds the incorporated text or other material has one or more of the characteristics described in division (B) of section 121.75 of the Revised Code, but the incorporated text or other material actually does not have any of those characteristics.
- (4) If the agency is subject to sections 121.95, 121.951, 121.952, and 121.953 of the Revised Code, the agency has failed to justify the retention of a rule containing a regulatory restriction.
- (5) The rule implements a federal law or rule in a manner that is more stringent or burdensome than the federal law or rule requires.
- (F) If the agency fails to comply with section 106.03 or 106.031 of the Revised Code, the joint committee shall afford the agency an opportunity to appear before the joint committee to show cause why the agency has not complied with either or both of those sections. If the agency appears before the joint committee at the time scheduled for the agency to show cause, and fails to do so, the joint committee, by vote of a majority of its members present, may recommend the adoption of a concurrent resolution invalidating the rule for the agency's failure to show cause. Or if the agency fails to appear before the joint committee at the time scheduled for the agency to show cause, the joint committee, by vote of a majority of its members present, may recommend adoption of a concurrent resolution invalidating the rule for the agency's default.
- (G)(1) When the joint committee recommends that a rule be invalidated for the agency's failure to show cause at an appearance before the joint committee, the recommendation does not suspend operation of the rule, and the rule remains operational pending action by the senate and house of representatives on the concurrent resolution embodying the recommendation. If the senate and house of representatives adopt the concurrent resolution, the rule is invalid. If, however, the senate and house of representatives do not adopt the resolution, the rule continues in effect, and shall next be reviewed according to the new review date assigned to the rule.
- (2) When the joint committee recommends that a rule be invalidated for the agency's failure to appear before the joint committee, the recommendation does not suspend operation of the rule, and the rule remains operational pending action by the senate and house of representatives on the

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concurrent resolution embodying the recommendation. If the senate and house of representatives adopt the concurrent resolution, the rule is invalid. If, however, the senate and house of representatives do not adopt the resolution, the rule expires in accordance with section 106.033 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 106.033. Notwithstanding any provision of section 106.031 of the Revised Code to the contrary, if an agency fails to perform a review of an existing rule in accordance with section 106.03 of the Revised Code for one year after the rule's review date, the rule is invalid. The agency shall cease enforcing the rule and shall not rely on a principle of law or policy stated in the rule when conducting adjudications or other determinations of rights and liabilities or in issuing writings and other materials. The agency may institute rulemaking proceedings with regard to a rule that is invalid under this section.

Sec. 107.03. (A) As used in this section, "transportation budget" means the biennial budget that primarily includes the following:

- (1) Motor fuel excise tax-related appropriations for the department of transportation, public works commission, and department of development;
- (2) Other appropriations that pertain to transportation and infrastructure related to transportation.
- (B) The governor shall submit a transportation budget to the general assembly not later than four weeks after the general assembly's organization.
- (C) The governor shall submit to the general assembly, not later than four weeks after its organization, a state budget containing a complete financial plan for the ensuing fiscal biennium, excluding items of revenue and expenditure described in section 126.022 of the Revised Code. However, in years of a new governor's inauguration, this budget shall be submitted not later than the fifteenth day of March.
- (D) In years of a new governor's inauguration, only the new governor shall submit a budget to the general assembly. In addition to other things required by law, each of the governor's budgets shall contain:
- (1) A general budget summary by function and agency setting forth the proposed total expenses from each and all funds and the anticipated resources for meeting such expenses; such resources to include any available balances in the several funds at the beginning of the biennium and a classification by totals of all revenue receipts estimated to accrue during the biennium under existing law and proposed legislation.
- (2) A detailed statement showing the amounts recommended to be appropriated from each fund for each fiscal year of the biennium for current expenses, including, but not limited to, personal services, supplies and materials, equipment, subsidies and revenue distribution, merchandise for resale, transfers, and nonexpense disbursements, obligations, interest on debt, and retirement of debt, and for the biennium for capital outlay, to the respective departments, offices, institutions, as defined in section 121.01 of the Revised Code, and all other public purposes; and, in comparative form, the the above boxed and initialed text was

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actual expenses by source of funds during each fiscal year of the previous two bienniums for each such purpose. No alterations shall be made in the requests for the legislative and judicial branches of the state filed with the director of budget and management under section 126.02 of the Revised Code. If any amount of federal money is recommended to be appropriated or has been expended for a purpose for which state money also is recommended to be appropriated or has been expended, the amounts of federal money and state money involved shall be separately identified.

- (3) A detailed estimate of the revenue receipts in each fund from each source under existing laws during each year of the biennium; and, in comparative form, actual revenue receipts in each fund from each source for each year of the two previous bienniums;
- (4) The estimated cash balance in each fund at the beginning of the biennium covered by the budget; the estimated liabilities outstanding against each such balance; and the estimated net balance remaining and available for new appropriations;
- (5) A detailed estimate of the additional revenue receipts in each fund from each source under proposed legislation, if enacted, during each year of the biennium;
- (6) The most recent report prepared by the department of taxation under section 5703.48 of the Revised Code, which shall be submitted to the general assembly as an appendix to the governor's budget;
- (7) The most recent TANF spending plan prepared by the department of job and family services under section 5101.806 of the Revised Code, which shall be submitted to the general assembly as an appendix to the governor's budget;
- (8) The medicaid caseload and expenditure forecast report prepared by the office of budget and management, in consultation with the department of medicaid, under section 126.021 of the Revised Code. The report shall be submitted to the general assembly as a supplemental budget document to provide an in-depth analysis of the governor's budget recommendations for the medicaid budget as a whole and for each of the major medicaid appropriation items. The report shall clearly distinguish a proposed policy change from continuing law or administrative policy and indicate whether the data used throughout the report is proposed, estimated, or actual data for the current or proposed budget biennium. At a minimum, the report shall delineate a part-to-whole mapping of the state and federal shares of the general revenue fund appropriation item 651525, medicaid health care services, or any other equivalent general revenue fund appropriation item, by eligibility group and subgroup, service delivery system, delivery system, medicaid provider, and program.
- (E) The governor shall not submit to the general assembly a state budget that suspends the operation of section 131.44 of the Revised Code for the fiscal year immediately prior to the biennium covered by the budget resulting in a beginning cash balance for the general revenue fund for the biennium covered by the budget that is greater than the ending fund balance required by section 131.44 of the Revised Code, excluding any encumbered funds that are to be disbursed in the biennium covered by the budget.

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Sec. 107.032. As used in sections 107.033 to 107.035 of the Revised Code:

- (A) "Aggregate general revenue fund appropriations" means all appropriations made by the general assembly either directly from the general revenue fund appropriations made by the general assembly or indirectly from any nongeneral revenue fund supported by cash transfers from the general revenue fund except for the following:
 - (1) Appropriations of money received from the federal government;
 - (2) Appropriations made for tax relief or refunds of taxes and other overpayments;
 - (3) Appropriations of money received as gifts.
- (B) "Rate of inflation" means the percentage increase or decrease in the consumer price index over a one year period, based on the most recent consumer price index for all urban consumers, midwest region, all items, as determined by the bureau of labor statistics of the United States department of labor or, if that index is no longer published, a generally available comparable index.
- (C) "Rate of population change" means the percentage increase or decrease in the population of this state over a one year period, based on the most recent population data available for the state published by the bureau of the census of the United States department of commerce, or its successor in responsibility, in the population estimates program, or its successive equivalent.
- (D)—"Recast fiscal year" means fiscal years 2012, 2016, 2020, and each fourth fiscal year thereafter.

Sec. 107.033. As part of the state budget the governor submits to the general assembly under section 107.03 of the Revised Code, the governor shall include the state appropriation limitations the general assembly shall not exceed when making aggregate general revenue fund appropriations for each respective fiscal year of the biennium covered by that budget. The aggregate general revenue fund appropriations the governor proposes in the state budget also shall not exceed those limitations for each respective fiscal year of the biennium covered by that budget. As part of this submission, the governor shall identify all nongeneral revenue fund appropriation line items that are subject to the state appropriation limitation for the current fiscal year. If the governor decides to continue funding any of those nongeneral revenue fund line items, the governor shall, to the greatest extent possible, propose funding for those nongeneral revenue fund line items from the general revenue fund for each respective fiscal year of the biennium covered by that budget. Also as part of this submission, the governor shall include a table listing any remaining nongeneral revenue fund appropriation line items that are subject to the state appropriation limitation for the current fiscal year and for each respective fiscal year of the biennium covered by that budget.

- (A) For fiscal year 2008, the state appropriation limitation is the sum of the following:
- (1) The aggregate general revenue fund appropriations for fiscal year 2007; plus
- (2) The aggregate general revenue fund appropriations for fiscal year 2007 multiplied by either three and one half per cent, or the sum of the rate of inflation plus the rate of population change, whichever is greater.

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- (B) For each fiscal year thereafter that is not a recast fiscal year, the state appropriation limitation is the sum of the following:
 - (1) The state appropriation limitation for the previous fiscal year; plus
- (2) The state appropriation limitation for the previous fiscal year multiplied by either-three and one-half per cent, or the sum of the rate of inflation plus the rate of population change, whichever is greater.
- (C)(B) For each recast fiscal year, the state appropriation limitation is the sum of the following:
 - (1) The aggregate general revenue fund appropriations for the previous fiscal year; plus
- (2) The aggregate general revenue fund appropriations for the previous fiscal year multiplied by either three and one-half per cent, or the sum of the rate of inflation plus the rate of population change, whichever is greater.
- (D)(C) The state appropriation limitation for a fiscal year shall be increased by the amount of a nongeneral revenue fund appropriation made in the immediately preceding fiscal year, if all of the following apply to the nongeneral revenue fund appropriation:
 - (1) It was made on or after July 1, 2013.
- (2) It is included in the aggregate general revenue fund appropriations proposed for that fiscal year.
 - (3) It is being made for the first time from the general revenue fund.
- (D) The main operating appropriations act shall contain a list of all nongeneral revenue fund appropriation line items subject to the state appropriation limitations under this section.

Sec. 107.034. For the purpose of calculations made on and after the effective date of this section, any tax revenue credited to the general revenue fund under section 113.09 of the Revised Code any time during fiscal years 2026 and 2027 shall be considered a general revenue fund tax source to fund general revenue fund appropriations for each succeeding fiscal year with respect to the determination of the state appropriation limitations under section 107.033 of the Revised Code, even if that tax revenue is subsequently credited to a nongeneral revenue fund account. An appropriation made from that nongeneral revenue fund account shall be considered as if it were made from the general revenue fund.

- Sec. 107.12. (A) As used in this section, "organization" means a faith-based or other organization that is exempt from federal income taxation under section 501(c)(3) of the "Internal Revenue Code of 1986," 100 Stat. 2085, 26 U.S.C. 1, as amended, and provides charitable services to needy residents of this state.
- (B) There is hereby established within the office of the governor the governor's office of faith-based and community initiatives. The office shall:
- (1) Serve as a clearinghouse of information on federal, state, and local funding for charitable services performed by organizations;
 - (2) Encourage organizations to seek public funding for their charitable services;

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municipal corporation unless the person has received training in the handling of missing children and child abuse and neglect cases from an approved state, county, township, or municipal police officer basic training program or receives the training within the time prescribed by rules adopted by the attorney general pursuant to section 109.741 of the Revised Code.

- (J) No part of any approved state, county, or municipal basic training program for bailiffs and deputy bailiffs of courts of record and no part of any approved state, county, or municipal basic training program for criminal investigators employed by the state public defender shall be used as credit toward the completion by a peace officer of any part of the approved state, county, or municipal peace officer basic training program that the peace officer is required by this section to complete satisfactorily.
- (K) This section does not apply to any member of the police department of a municipal corporation in an adjoining state serving in this state under a contract pursuant to section 737.04 of the Revised Code.
- (L) The executive director of the commission shall issue a certificate of completion of a training program required under this section in accordance with Chapter 4796. of the Revised Code to an individual if either of the following applies:
 - (1) The individual holds a certificate of completion of such a program in another state.
- (2) The individual has satisfactory work experience, a government certification, or a private certification as described in that chapter in the same profession, occupation, or occupational activity as the profession, occupation, or occupational activity for which the certificate is required in this state in a state that does not require completion of such a training program.
- (M)(1) Except as provided in division (M)(2) of this section, no certificate awarded by the executive director of the Ohio peace officer training commission attesting to a person's satisfactory completion of an approved state, county, municipal, or department of natural resources peace officer basic training program shall be deemed insufficient for an appointment to a position listed in division (B)(1) of this section because of a lapse in the person's service as a peace officer.
- (2) The Ohio peace officer training commission shall require a re-appointed peace officer to complete refresher training of the following duration prior to performing the functions of a peace officer, if the peace officer, having previously been awarded a certificate by the executive director of the commission attesting to the person's satisfactory completion of an approved state, county, municipal, or department of natural resources peace officer basic training program or pursuant to Chapter 4796. of the Revised Code, for at least one year prior to an appointment, was not employed as a peace officer:
 - (a) If the period of lapse was at least one year, but less than four years, up to forty hours;
 - (b) If the period of lapse was four years or longer, eighty hours.

Sec. 109.803. (A)(1) Subject to divisions (A)(2) and (B) of this section, every appointing authority shall require each of its appointed peace officers and troopers to complete twenty-four hours of continuing professional training each calendar year. Twenty-four hours is intended to be a

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minimum requirement, and appointing authorities are encouraged to exceed the twenty-four hour minimum. A minimum of twenty-four hours of continuing professional training shall be reimbursed each calendar year and a maximum of forty hours of continuing professional training may be reimbursed each calendar year. No reimbursement shall be available under this section for continuing professional training provided for a peace officer or trooper appointed by a state agency.

(2) An appointing authority may submit a written request to the peace officer training commission that requests for a calendar year because of emergency circumstances an extension of the time within which one or more of its appointed peace officers or troopers must complete the required minimum number of hours of continuing professional training set by the commission, as described in division (A)(1) of this section. A request made under this division shall set forth the name of each of the appointing authority's peace officers or troopers for whom an extension is requested, identify the emergency circumstances related to that peace officer or trooper, include documentation of those emergency circumstances, and set forth the date on which the request is submitted to the commission. A request shall be made under this division not later than the fifteenth day of December in the calendar year for which the extension is requested.

Upon receipt of a written request made under this division, the executive director of the commission shall review the request and the submitted documentation. If the executive director of the commission is satisfied that emergency circumstances exist for any peace officer or trooper for whom a request was made under this division, the executive director may approve the request for that peace officer or trooper and grant an extension of the time within which that peace officer or trooper must complete the required minimum number of hours of continuing professional training set by the commission. An extension granted under this division may be for any period of time the executive director believes to be appropriate, and the executive director shall specify in the notice granting the extension the date on which the extension ends. Not later than thirty days after the date on which a request is submitted to the commission, for each peace officer and trooper for whom an extension is requested, the executive director either shall approve the request and grant an extension or deny the request and deny an extension and shall send to the appointing authority that submitted the request written notice of the executive director's decision.

If the executive director grants an extension of the time within which a particular appointed peace officer or trooper of an appointing authority must complete the required minimum number of hours of continuing professional training set by the commission, the appointing authority shall require that peace officer or trooper to complete the required minimum number of hours of training not later than the date on which the extension ends.

(B) With the advice of the Ohio peace officer training commission, the attorney general shall adopt in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code rules setting forth minimum standards for continuing professional training for peace officers and troopers and governing the administration of continuing professional training programs for peace officers and troopers. The rules adopted by the attorney general under division (B) of this section shall do all of the following:

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- (1) Allow peace officers and troopers to earn credit for up to four hours of continuing professional training for time spent while on duty providing drug use prevention education training that utilizes evidence-based curricula to students in school districts, community schools established under Chapter 3314., STEM schools established under Chapter 3326., and college-preparatory boarding schools established under Chapter 3328. of the Revised Code.
- (2) Allow a peace officer or trooper appointed by a law enforcement agency to earn hours of continuing professional training for other peace officers or troopers appointed by the law enforcement agency by providing drug use prevention education training under division (B)(1) of this section so that hours earned by the peace officer or trooper providing the training in excess of four hours may be applied to offset the number of continuing professional training hours required of another peace officer or trooper appointed by that law enforcement agency.
- (3) Prohibit the use of continuing professional training hours earned under division (B)(1) or (2) of this section from being used to offset any mandatory hands-on training requirement.
- (4) Require a peace officer to complete training on proper interactions with civilians during traffic stops and other in-person encounters, which training shall have an online offering and shall include all of the following topics:
- (a) A person's rights during an interaction with a peace officer, including all of the following:
 - (i) When a peace officer may require a person to exit a vehicle;
 - (ii) Constitutional protections from illegal search and seizure;
 - (iii) The rights of a passenger in a vehicle who has been pulled over for a traffic stop;
 - (iv) The right for a citizen to record an encounter with a peace officer.
- (b) Proper actions for interacting with a civilian and methods for diffusing a stressful encounter with a civilian;
- (c) Laws regarding questioning and detention by peace officers, including any law requiring a person to present proof of identity to a peace officer, and the consequences for a person's or officer's failure to comply with those laws;
- (d) Any other requirements and procedures necessary for the proper implementation of this section.
- (C) The attorney general shall transmit a certified copy of any rule adopted under this section to the secretary of state.
 - (D) As used in this section:
 - (1) "Peace officer" has the same meaning as in section 109.71 of the Revised Code.
- (2) "Trooper" means an individual appointed as a state highway patrol trooper under section 5503.01 of the Revised Code.
- (3) "Appointing authority" means any agency or entity that appoints a peace officer or trooper.

Sec. 111.15. (A) As used in this section:

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- (1) "Rule" includes any rule, regulation, bylaw, or standard having a general and uniform operation adopted by an agency under the authority of the laws governing the agency; any appendix to a rule; and any internal management rule. "Rule" does not include any guideline adopted pursuant to section 3301.0714 of the Revised Code, any order respecting the duties of employees, any finding, any determination of a question of law or fact in a matter presented to an agency, or any rule promulgated pursuant to Chapter 119. or division (C)(1) or (2) of section 5117.02 of the Revised Code. "Rule" includes any amendment or rescission of a rule.
- (2) "Agency" means any governmental entity of the state and includes, but is not limited to, any board, department, division, commission, bureau, society, council, institution, state college or university, community college district, technical college district, or state community college. "Agency" does not include the general assembly, the controlling board, the adjutant general's department, or any court.
- (3) "Internal management rule" means any rule, regulation, bylaw, or standard governing the day-to-day staff procedures and operations within an agency.
- (B)(1) Any rule, other than a rule of an emergency nature, adopted by any agency pursuant to this section shall be effective on the tenth day after the day on which the rule in final form and in compliance with division (B)(3) of this section is filed as follows:
- (a) The rule shall be filed in electronic form with both the secretary of state and the director of the legislative service commission;
- (b) The rule shall be filed in electronic form with the joint committee on agency rule review. Division (B)(1)(b) of this section does not apply to any rule to which division (D) of this section does not apply.

An agency that adopts or amends a rule that is subject to division (D) of this section shall assign a review date to the rule that is not later than five years after its effective date. If a review date assigned to a rule exceeds the five-year maximum, the review date for the rule is five years after its effective date. A rule with a review date is subject to review under section 106.03 of the Revised Code and expiration under section 106.033 of the Revised Code. This paragraph does not apply to a rule of a state college or university, community college district, technical college district, or state community college.

If an agency in adopting a rule designates an effective date that is later than the effective date provided for by division (B)(1) of this section, the rule if filed as required by such division shall become effective on the later date designated by the agency.

Any rule that is required to be filed under division (B)(1) of this section is also subject to division (D) of this section if not exempted by that division.

If a rule incorporates a text or other material by reference, the agency shall comply with sections 121.71 to 121.75 of the Revised Code.

(2) A rule of an emergency nature necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety shall state the reasons for the necessity. The emergency rule, in final form

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(D)(1) At least sixty-five days before a board, commission, department, division, or bureau of the government of the state files a rule under division (B)(1) of this section, it shall file the full text of the proposed rule in electronic form with the joint committee on agency rule review, and the proposed rule is subject to legislative review and invalidation under section 106.02 1 106.025, and 106.026 of the Revised Code. If a state board, commission, department, division, or bureau makes a revision in a proposed rule after it is filed with the joint committee, the state board, commission, department, division, or bureau shall promptly file the full text of the proposed rule in its revised form in electronic form with the joint committee. A state board, commission, department, division, or bureau shall also file the rule summary and fiscal analysis prepared under section 106.024 of the Revised Code in electronic form along with a proposed rule, and along with a proposed rule in revised form, that is filed under this division. If a proposed rule has an adverse impact on businesses, the state board, commission, department, division, or bureau also shall file the business impact analysis, any recommendations received from the common sense initiative office, and the associated memorandum of response, if any, in electronic form along with the proposed rule, or the proposed rule in revised form, that is filed under this division. If the rule summary and fiscal analysis indicates the rule may have any of the effects listed in division (A) of section 106.025 of the Revised Code, the executive director of the joint committee shall notify the members of the general assembly and include all documentation submitted to the joint committee in the agency's original rule filing with the notice.

(2) A proposed rule that is subject to legislative review under this division may not be adopted and filed in final form under division (B)(1) of this section unless the one of the following applies:

(a) The proposed rule has been filed with the joint committee on agency rule review under this division and the time for the joint committee to review the proposed rule has expired without recommendation of a concurrent resolution to invalidate the proposed rule.

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(b) The proposed rule is subject to section 106.026 of the Revised Code, and a law authorizing its adoption enacted in accordance with Ohio Constitution, Article II, Sections 15 and 16 is in effect.

(3) If a proposed rule that is subject to legislative review under this division implements a federal law or rule, the agency shall provide to the joint committee a citation to the federal law or rule the proposed rule implements and a statement as to whether the proposed rule implements the federal law or rule in a manner that is more or less stringent or burdensome than the federal law or rule requires.

(4) As used in this division, "commission" includes the public utilities commission when adopting rules under a federal or state statute. RnD

This division (5) Division (D) of this section does not apply to any of the following:

A proposed rule of an emergency nature;

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4123.29, 4123.34, 4123.341, 4123.342, 4123.345, 4123.40, 4123.411, 4123.44, or 4123.442 of the Revised Code;

1 A rule proposed by an agency other than a board, commission, department, division, or bureau of the government of the state;

A proposed internal management rule of a board, commission, department, division, or bureau of the government of the state;

Any proposed rule that must be adopted verbatim by an agency pursuant to federal law or rule, to become effective within sixty days of adoption, in order to continue the operation of a federally reimbursed program in this state, so long as the proposed rule contains both of the following:

(a)(i) A statement that it is proposed for the purpose of complying with a federal law or rule; (b)(ii) A citation to the federal law or rule that requires verbatim compliance.

An initial rule proposed by the director of health to impose quality standards on a health care facility as defined in section 3702.30 of the Revised Code;

If a rule is exempt from legislative review under division (D)(5)(D)(5)(e) If this section, and if the federal law or rule pursuant to which the rule was adopted expires, is repealed or rescinded, or otherwise terminates, the rule is thereafter subject to legislative review under division (D) of this section.

Whenever a state board, commission, department, division, or bureau files a proposed rule or a proposed rule in revised form under division (D) of this section, it shall also file the full text of the same proposed rule or proposed rule in revised form in electronic form with the secretary of state and the director of the legislative service commission. A state board, commission, department, division, or bureau shall file the rule summary and fiscal analysis prepared under section 106.024 of the Revised Code in electronic form along with a proposed rule or proposed rule in revised form that is filed with the secretary of state or the director of the legislative service commission.

Sec. 111.27. There is hereby established in the state treasury the board of elections reimbursement and education—fund. The fund shall be used by the secretary of state to provide advancements, subject to recoupment, or to reimburse boards of elections pursuant to sections 3513.301, 3513.312, 3515.071, and 3521.03 of the Revised Code, and to provide training and educational programs for members and employees of boards of elections. The fund shall receive transfers of cash pursuant to controlling board action.

Sec. 111.29. The Ohio election integrity commission fund is created in the state treasury. The secretary of state shall use the money in the fund for the sole purpose of paying expenses related to the operation of the Ohio election integrity commission established under section 3517.14 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 113.05. (A) As used in sections 113.05 to 113.40 of the Revised Code:

(1) "Account," "appropriation," "disbursement," "electronic funds transfer," "fund," and initialed text was

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- (D)(1) If, in the judgment of the receiver, the criteria required to file for bankruptcy under the "Federal Bankruptcy Act," 11 U.S.C. 101, et seq., are satisfied and no reasonable alternative exists to eliminate the fiscal emergency condition within three years, the receiver may present findings and submit a written recommendation on filing for bankruptcy to the financial planning and supervision commission and the legislative authority of the municipal corporation, board of county commissioners, or board of township trustees. Beginning sixty days after submitting the recommendation, the receiver may initiate bankruptcy proceedings unless both of the following occur:
- (a) The legislative authority or board adopts an ordinance or resolution, effective within sixty days of receipt of the recommendation, opposing the recommendation. The ordinance or resolution shall specify the legislative authority's or board's plan to satisfy and discharge the debts and liabilities included in the receiver's recommendation for bankruptcy within seven years of the adoption of the ordinance or resolution and promptly alleviate the fiscal emergency conditions using expenditure reductions or available and future tax revenue, including necessary tax rate increases, of the municipal corporation, county, or township.
- (b) After reviewing the ordinance or resolution under division (D)(1)(a) of this section, the financial planning and supervision commission determines the plan is sufficient to satisfy and discharge the debts and liabilities included in the receiver's recommendation for bankruptcy within seven years of the adoption of the resolution and promptly alleviate the fiscal emergency conditions.

If the financial planning and supervision commission determines that the plan is not sufficient, the receiver may initiate bankruptcy proceedings notwithstanding the ordinance or resolution opposing the recommendation.

(2) If the financial planning and supervision commission determines under division (D)(1) of this section that the plan is sufficient and the plan requires voted taxes authorized under another Revised Code section, the legislative authority of the municipal corporation, board of county commissioners, or board of trustees shall direct the board of elections to submit the tax question to the electors at the next general election or at a special election conducted on the day of the next primary election in the municipal corporation, township, or county occurring not less than ninety days after the resolution is certified to the board, as applicable under the provision authorizing the tax question. If the taxes are not approved by the electors, the receiver may initiate bankruptcy proceedings, notwithstanding the resolution or ordinance opposing bankruptcy. If the taxes are approved by the electors, the legislative authority of the municipal corporation, board of county commissioners, or board of trustees shall implement the plan to satisfy and discharge the debts and liabilities included in the receiver's recommendation for bankruptcy within seven years of the adoption of the ordinance or resolution and promptly alleviate the fiscal emergency conditions.

(E) The court shall terminate the receivership when the municipal corporation, county, or township has corrected and eliminated all of the fiscal emergency conditions determined pursuant to section 118.04 of the Revised Code, and no new fiscal emergency conditions have occurred.

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(F) Conditions in division (A) of this section may be applied retroactively in a remedial nature.

Sec. 119.03. In the adoption, amendment, or rescission of any rule, an agency shall comply with the following procedure:

(A) Reasonable public notice shall be given in the register of Ohio at least thirty days prior to the date set for a hearing, in the form the agency determines. The agency shall file copies of the public notice under division (B) of this section. (The agency gives public notice in the register of Ohio when the public notice is published in the register under that division.)

The public notice shall include:

- (1) A statement of the agency's intention to consider adopting, amending, or rescinding a rule:
- (2) A synopsis of the proposed rule, amendment, or rule to be rescinded or a general statement of the subject matter to which the proposed rule, amendment, or rescission relates;
 - (3) A statement of the reason or purpose for adopting, amending, or rescinding the rule;
- (4) The date, time, and place of a hearing on the proposed action, which shall be not earlier than the thirty-first nor later than the fortieth day after the proposed rule, amendment, or rescission is filed under division (B) of this section.

In addition to public notice given in the register of Ohio, the agency may give whatever other notice it reasonably considers necessary to ensure notice constructively is given to all persons who are subject to or affected by the proposed rule, amendment, or rescission.

The agency shall provide a copy of the public notice required under division (A) of this section to any person who requests it and pays a reasonable fee, not to exceed the cost of copying and mailing.

(B) The full text of the proposed rule, amendment, or rule to be rescinded, accompanied by the public notice required under division (A) of this section, shall be filed in electronic form with the secretary of state and with the director of the legislative service commission. (If in compliance with this division an agency files more than one proposed rule, amendment, or rescission at the same time, and has prepared a public notice under division (A) of this section that applies to more than one of the proposed rules, amendments, or rescissions, the agency shall file only one notice with the secretary of state and with the director for all of the proposed rules, amendments, or rescissions to which the notice applies.) The proposed rule, amendment, or rescission and public notice shall be filed as required by this division at least sixty-five days prior to the date on which the agency, in accordance with division (E) of this section, issues an order adopting the proposed rule, amendment, or rescission.

If the proposed rule, amendment, or rescission incorporates a text or other material by reference, the agency shall comply with sections 121.71 to 121.75 of the Revised Code.

The proposed rule, amendment, or rescission shall be available for at least thirty days prior to the date of the hearing at the office of the agency in printed or other legible form with the behavior initialed text was

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to any person affected by the proposal. Failure to furnish such text to any person requesting it shall not invalidate any action of the agency in connection therewith.

If the agency files a revision in the text of the proposed rule, amendment, or rescission, it shall also promptly file the full text of the proposed rule, amendment, or rescission in its revised form in electronic form with the secretary of state and with the director of the legislative service commission.

The agency shall file the rule summary and fiscal analysis prepared under section 106.024 of the Revised Code in electronic form along with a proposed rule, amendment, or rescission or proposed rule, amendment, or rescission in revised form that is filed with the secretary of state or the director of the legislative service commission.

The agency shall file the hearing report relating to a proposed rule, amendment, or rescission in electronic form with the secretary of state and the director of the legislative service commission at the same time the agency files the hearing report with the joint committee on agency rule review.

The director of the legislative service commission shall publish in the register of Ohio the full text of the original and each revised version of a proposed rule, amendment, or rescission; the full text of a public notice; the full text of a rule summary and fiscal analysis; and the full text of a hearing report that is filed with the director under this division.

(C)(C)(1) When an agency files a proposed rule, amendment, or rescission under division (B) of this section, it also shall file in electronic form with the joint committee on agency rule review the full text of the proposed rule, amendment, or rule to be rescinded in the same form and the public notice required under division (A) of this section. (If in compliance with this division an agency files more than one proposed rule, amendment, or rescission at the same time, and has given a public notice under division (A) of this section that applies to more than one of the proposed rules, amendments, or rescissions, the agency shall file only one notice with the joint committee for all of the proposed rules, amendments, or rescission is subject to legislative review and invalidation under sections 106.02, 106.021, and 106.025, and 106.026 of the Revised Code. If the agency makes a revision in a proposed rule, amendment, or rescission after it is filed with the joint committee, the agency promptly shall file the full text of the proposed rule, amendment, or rescission in its revised form in electronic form with the joint committee.

An agency shall file the rule summary and fiscal analysis prepared under section 106.024 of the Revised Code in electronic form along with a proposed rule, amendment, or rescission, and along with a proposed rule, amendment, or rescission in revised form, that is filed under this division. If the rule summary and fiscal analysis indicates the rule may have any of the effects listed in division (A) of section 106.025 of the Revised Code, the executive director of the joint committee shall notify the members of the general assembly and include all documentation submitted to the joint committee in the agency's original rule filing with the notice.

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agency also shall file the business impact analysis, any recommendations received from the common sense initiative office, and the agency's memorandum of response, if any, in electronic form along with the proposed rule, amendment, or rescission, or along with the proposed rule, amendment, or rescission in revised form, that is filed under this division.

- (3) The agency shall file the hearing report in electronic form with the joint committee before the joint committee holds its public hearing on the proposed rule, amendment, or rescission. The filing of a hearing report does not constitute a revision of the proposed rule, amendment, or rescission to which the hearing report relates.
- (4) If the proposed rule, amendment, or rescission requires liability insurance, a bond, or any other financial responsibility instrument as a condition of licensure, the agency shall conduct a diligent search to determine if the liability insurance, bond, or other financial responsibility instrument is readily available in the amounts required as a condition of licensure, and shall certify to the joint committee that the search was conducted.
- (5) If the proposed rule, amendment, or rescission implements a federal law or rule, the agency shall provide to the joint committee a citation to the federal law or rule the proposed rule, amendment, or rescission implements and a statement as to whether the proposed rule implements the federal law or rule in a manner that is more or less stringent or burdensome than the federal law or rule requires.
- (6) A proposed rule, amendment, or rescission that is subject to legislative review under this division may not be adopted under division (E) of this section or filed in final form under section 119.04 of the Revised Code unless the one of the following applies:
- (a) The proposed rule, amendment, or rescission has been filed with the joint committee on agency rule review under this division and the time for legislative review of the proposed rule, amendment, or rescission has expired without adoption of a concurrent resolution to invalidate the proposed rule, amendment, or rescission.
- (b) The proposed rule, amendment, or rescission is subject to section 106.026 of the Revised Code, and a law authorizing its adoption enacted in accordance with Ohio Constitution, Article II, Sections 15 and 16 is in effect.

This division (C) of this section does not apply to:

- (1)(a) An emergency rule, amendment, or rescission;
- (2)(b) A proposed rule, amendment, or rescission that must be adopted verbatim by an agency pursuant to federal law or rule, to become effective within sixty days of adoption, in order to continue the operation of a federally reimbursed program in this state, so long as the proposed rule contains both of the following:
 - (a)(i) A statement that it is proposed for the purpose of complying with a federal law or rule;
 - (b)(ii) A citation to the federal law or rule that requires verbatim compliance.
- (3)(c) A proposed rule, amendment, or rescission that, as set forth in section 3719.41 of the Revised Code, must be adopted by the state board of pharmacy pursuant to federal law or rule, to the above boxed and initialed text was

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(8) If a rule or amendment is exempt from legislative review under division (C)(2)(C)(7)(b) of this section, and if the federal law or rule pursuant to which the rule or amendment was adopted expires, is repealed or rescinded, or otherwise terminates, the rule or amendment, or its rescission, is thereafter subject to legislative review under division (C) of this section.

(D) On the date and at the time and place designated in the notice, the agency shall conduct a public hearing at which any person affected by the proposed action of the agency may appear and be heard in person, by the person's attorney, or both, may present the person's position, arguments, or contentions, orally or in writing, offer and examine witnesses, and present evidence tending to show that the proposed rule, amendment, or rescission, if adopted or effectuated, will be unreasonable or unlawful. An agency may permit persons affected by the proposed rule, amendment, or rescission to present their positions, arguments, or contentions in writing, not only at the hearing, but also for a reasonable period before, after, or both before and after the hearing. A person who presents a position or arguments or contentions in writing before or after the hearing is not required to appear at the hearing.

At the hearing, the testimony shall be recorded. Such record shall be made at the expense of the agency. The agency is required to transcribe a record that is not sight readable only if a person requests transcription of all or part of the record and agrees to reimburse the agency for the costs of the transcription. An agency may require the person to pay in advance all or part of the cost of the transcription.

In any hearing under this section the agency may administer oaths or affirmations.

The agency shall consider the positions, arguments, or contentions presented at, or before or after, the hearing. The agency shall prepare a hearing summary of the positions, arguments, or contentions, and of the issues raised by the positions, arguments, or contentions. The agency then shall prepare a hearing report explaining, with regard to each issue, how it is reflected in the rule, amendment, or rescission. If an issue is not reflected in the rule, amendment, or rescission, the hearing report shall explain why the issue is not reflected. The agency shall include the hearing summary in the hearing report as an appendix thereto. And, in the hearing report, the agency shall identify the proposed rule, amendment, or rescission to which the hearing report relates.

(E) After (E)(1) Subject to division (E)(2) of this section, after divisions (A), (B), (C), and (D) of this section have been complied with, and when the time for legislative review under sections 106.02, 106.022, and 106.023, and 106.025 of the Revised Code has expired without adoption of a concurrent resolution to invalidate the proposed rule, amendment, or rescission, the agency may issue an order adopting the proposed rule or the proposed amendment or rescission of the rule, consistent with the synopsis or general statement included in the public notice. At that time the agency shall designate the effective date of the rule, amendment, or rescission, which shall not be earlier than the tenth day after the rule, amendment, or rescission has been filed in its final form as

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provided in section 119.04 of the Revised Code.

(2) If a proposed rule, amendment, or rescission is subject to section 106.026 of the Revised Code, the agency may issue an order adopting the proposed rule or the proposed amendment or rescission of the rule on or after the effective date of the law authorizing adoption enacted in accordance with Ohio Constitution, Article II, Sections 15 and 16. At that time the agency shall designate the effective date of the rule, amendment, or rescission, which shall not be earlier than the tenth day after the rule, amendment, or rescission has been filed in its final form as provided in section 119.04 of the Revised Code.

- (F) Prior to the effective date of a rule, amendment, or rescission, the agency shall make a reasonable effort to inform those affected by the rule, amendment, or rescission and to have available for distribution to those requesting it the full text of the rule as adopted or as amended.
- (G)(1) If the governor, upon the request of an agency, determines that an emergency requires the immediate adoption, amendment, or rescission of a rule, the governor shall issue an order, the text of which shall be filed in electronic form with the agency, the secretary of state, the director of the legislative service commission, and the joint committee on agency rule review, that the procedure prescribed by this section with respect to the adoption, amendment, or rescission of a specified rule is suspended. The agency may then adopt immediately the emergency rule amendment, or rescission and it becomes effective on the date the rule, amendment, or rescission, in final form and in compliance with division (A)(2) of section 119.04 of the Revised Code, is filed in electronic form with the secretary of state, the director of the legislative service commission, and the joint committee on agency rule review. The director shall publish the full text of the emergency rule, amendment, or rescission in the register of Ohio.

Except as provided in division (G)(2) of this section, or section 107.43 of the Revised Code, the emergency rule, amendment, or rescission shall become invalid at the end of the one hundred twentieth day it is in effect. Prior to that date the agency may adopt the emergency rule, amendment, or rescission as a nonemergency rule, amendment, or rescission by complying with the procedure prescribed by this section for the adoption, amendment, and rescission of nonemergency rules. The agency shall not use the procedure of division (G)(1) of this section to readopt the emergency rule, amendment, or rescission becoming invalid under division (G)(1) of this section, the emergency rule, amendment, or rescission will continue in effect without interruption for another one-hundred-twenty-day period, except when section 106.02 of the Revised Code prevents the agency from adopting the emergency rule, amendment, or rescission as a nonemergency rule, amendment, or rescission within the one-hundred-twenty-day period.

Division (G)(1) of this section does not apply to the adoption of any emergency rule, amendment, or rescission by the tax commissioner under division (C)(2) of section 5117.02 of the Revised Code.

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shall become invalid at the end of the one hundred eightieth day it is in effect. Prior to that date, the state board of pharmacy may adopt the emergency rule or amendment as a nonemergency rule or amendment by complying with the procedure prescribed by this section for adoption and amendment of nonemergency rules. The board shall not use the procedure of division (G)(1) of this section to readopt the emergency rule or amendment so that, upon the emergency rule or amendment becoming invalid under division (G)(2) of this section, the emergency rule or amendment will continue in effect beyond the one-hundred-eighty-day period.

- (3) The general assembly, by adopting a concurrent resolution, and in accordance with section 107.43 of the Revised Code, may do either of the following:
- (a) Invalidate, in whole or in part, an emergency rule adopted or amended by an agency in response to a state of emergency, as defined under section 107.42 of the Revised Code, under division (G)(1) of this section;
- (b) Authorize an agency to readopt, in whole or in part, a rule that was rescinded in response to a state of emergency under division (G)(1) of this section.
- (H) Rules adopted by an authority within the department of job and family services for the administration or enforcement of Chapter 4141. of the Revised Code or of the department of taxation shall be effective without a hearing as provided by this section if the statutes pertaining to such agency specifically give a right of appeal to the board of tax appeals or to a higher authority within the agency or to a court, and also give the appellant a right to a hearing on such appeal. This division does not apply to the adoption of any rule, amendment, or rescission by the tax commissioner under division (C)(1) or (2) of section 5117.02 of the Revised Code, or deny the right to file an action for declaratory judgment as provided in Chapter 2721. of the Revised Code from the decision of the board of tax appeals or of the higher authority within such agency.

Sec. 119.04. (A)(1) Any rule adopted by any agency shall be effective on the tenth day after the day on which the rule in final form and in compliance with division (A)(2) of this section is filed as follows:

- (a) The rule shall be filed in electronic form with both the secretary of state and the director of the legislative service commission;
- (b) The rule shall be filed in electronic form with the joint committee on agency rule review. Division (A)(1)(b) of this section does not apply to any rule to which division (C) of section 119.03 of the Revised Code does not apply.

If an agency in adopting a rule designates an effective date that is later than the effective date provided for by this division, the rule if filed as required by this division shall become effective on the later date designated by the agency.

An agency that adopts or amends a rule that is subject to section 106.03 of the Revised Code shall assign a review date to the rule that is not later than five years after its effective date. If a review date assigned to a rule exceeds the five-year maximum, the review date for the rule is five years after its effective date. A rule with a review date is subject to review under section 106.03 of The above boxed and initialed text was

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consider whether the principle of law or policy should be supplanted by its restatement in an interpretive rule. The agency may not presume that a principle of law or policy that aids in the interpretation of an existing rule or statute is simply a reiteration of the existing rule or statute.

(C) If the agency determines, in light of the foregoing standards, that rulemaking is indicated, the agency shall commence the rule-making process as soon as it is reasonably feasible to do so, but not later than the date that is six-three months after the determination was made. The principle of law or policy as it is restated in a rule does not need to be wholly congruent with the supplanted principle of law or policy. The agency lawfully may improve or develop further the supplanted principle of law or policy as it is restated in a rule.

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The agency may continue to rely upon the principle of law or policy, but only while it is complying with the preceding paragraph. The agency may not rely upon the principle of law or policy in advising with regard to or in determining the rights or liabilities of a person if the any of

the following apply:

(1) The agency fails to commence the rule-making process by the deadline specified in the preceding paragraph, or if, after. R m D

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- (2) After commencing the rule-making process, the agency neglects or abandons the rulemaking process before it is completed.
- (3) The agency fails to file a rule for which rulemaking is indicated under this section in final form within one year of the agency making a determination under this section.
- (4) After filing a proposed rule and rule summary and fiscal analysis with the joint committee, the agency notifies the joint committee of the agency's intention to file a revised proposed rule as described in division (B) of section 106.02 of the Revised Code.

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- (D) A principle of law or policy that is relied upon directly or by clear implication from a statute applying to the agency does not need to be supplanted by rule.
- (E) This section does not apply to an agency, commission, or committee created in the legislative branch of government or to serve the general assembly including, but not limited to, all of the following:
 - (1) The joint legislative ethics committee;
 - (2) The joint medicaid oversight committee;
 - (3) The correctional institution inspection committee;
 - (4)(2) The legislative service commission;
 - (5)(3) The legislative information services;
 - (6)(4) The capitol square review and advisory board.

Sec. 121.931. (A) A person may petition an agency in writing to restate a principle of law or policy in a rule if (1) the person was a party to an adjudication or other determination before an agency that has resulted in an order or other disposition or was a party to a civil action in which judgment has been entered, and (2) the adjudication or other determination, or the civil action, involved a principle of law or policy relied upon by the agency that, under section 121.03 of the

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Revised Code, should have been supplanted by its restatement in a rule but has not been so supplanted. The petition shall briefly explain why the principle of law or policy should, under section 121.93 of the Revised Code, be supplanted by its restatement in a rule. The person shall send the petition to the agency not later than the ninetieth day after the order or other disposition was issued or the judgment was entered. The person also shall send a copy of the petition to the joint committee on agency rule review.

- (B) The agency, not later than the thirtieth day after receiving a timely petition, shall consider the petition in light of section 121.93 of the Revised Code, and shall notify the petitioner in writing, by certified mail, return receipt requested, whether it grants or intends to deny the petition.
- (1) If the agency grants the petition, it shall commence the rule-making process as soon as it is reasonably feasible to do so, but not later than the date that is six-three months after the petition was granted. The principle of law or policy as it is restated in a rule does not need to be wholly congruent with the supplanted principle of law or policy. The agency lawfully may improve or develop further the supplanted principle of law or policy.

The agency may continue to rely upon the principle of law or policy, but only while it is complying with the preceding paragraph. The agency may not rely upon the principle of law or policy in advising with regard to or in determining the rights or liabilities of a person if the any of the following apply:

- (a) The agency fails to commence the rule-making process by the deadline specified in the preceding paragraph, or if, after.
- (b) After commencing the rule-making process, the agency neglects or abandons the rule-making process before it is completed.
- (c) The agency fails to file a rule for which rulemaking is required under this section in final form within one year of the agency granting a petition under this division.
- (d) After filing a proposed rule and rule summary and fiscal analysis with the joint committee, the agency notifies the joint committee of the agency's intention to file a revised proposed rule as described in division (B) of section 106.02 of the Revised Code.
- (2) If the agency intends to deny the petition, it shall send the petitioner a notice affording the petitioner an opportunity for a hearing on the petition and briefly explaining why the agency intends to deny the petition. If the petitioner does not in writing request a hearing within fifteen days after receiving the notice, the agency shall deny the petition and notify the petitioner in writing. If the petitioner responds in writing within the fifteen-day period requesting a hearing, the agency, by certified mail, return receipt requested, promptly shall notify the petitioner of the time and place for the hearing, which shall be not earlier than the thirtieth day after the notice was sent to the petitioner.
- (C) At the hearing, the agency shall explain why, notwithstanding section 121.93 of the Revised Code, it intends to deny the petition, and the petitioner shall explain why under that section the petitioner believes the agency's intention to be erroneous. The hearing shall be informal. The petitioner may be assisted by counsel at the hearing.

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- (D) Not later than the thirtieth day after the hearing concludes, the agency shall grant or deny the petition.
- (1) If the agency grants the petition, it shall commence the rule-making process as soon as it is reasonably feasible to do so, but not later than the date that is <u>six-three</u> months after the determination was made. The principle of law or policy as it is restated in a rule does not need to be wholly congruent with the supplanted principle of law or policy. The agency lawfully may improve or develop further the supplanted principle of law or policy as it is restated in a rule.

The agency may continue to rely upon the principle of law or policy, but only while it is complying with the preceding paragraph. The agency may not rely upon the principle of law or policy in advising with regard to or in determining the rights or liabilities of a person if the any of the following apply:

- (a) The agency fails to commence the rule-making process by the deadline specified in the preceding paragraph, or if, after.
- (b) After commencing the rule-making process, the agency neglects or abandons the rule-making process before it is completed.
- (c) The agency fails to file a rule for which rulemaking is required under this section in final form within one year of the agency granting a petition under this division.
- (d) After filing a proposed rule and rule summary and fiscal analysis with the joint committee, the agency notifies the joint committee of the agency's intention to file a revised proposed rule as described in division (B) of section 106.02 of the Revised Code.
- (2) If the petitioner failed to appear at the hearing, or if the petitioner failed to persuade the agency that its intention to deny the petition is erroneous, the agency shall deny the petition.

The agency shall send notice in writing to the petitioner of the outcome. If the outcome is denial of the petition, the notice shall explain briefly why the agency is denying the petition. The petitioner is not entitled to appeal the outcome.

Sec. 121.95. (A) As used in sections 121.95, 121.951, 121.952, 121.953, and 121.954 of the Revised Code, "state:

- (1) "State agency" means an administrative department created under section 121.02 of the Revised Code, an administrative department head appointed under section 121.03 of the Revised Code, and a state agency organized under an administrative department or administrative department head. "State agency" also includes the department of education and workforce, the state lottery commission, the Ohio casino control commission, the state racing commission, and the public utilities commission of Ohio. Rules adopted by an otherwise independent official or entity organized under a state agency shall be attributed to the agency under which the official or entity is organized for the purposes of sections 121.95, 121.951, 121.952, 121.953, and 121.954 of the Revised Code.
 - (2) "Regulatory restriction" means any part of a rule that requires or prohibits an action.
- (B) Not later than December 31, 2019, a state agency shall review its existing rules to identify rules having one or more regulatory restrictions—that require or prohibit an action—and

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prepare a base inventory of the regulatory restrictions in its existing rules. Rules that include the words "shall," "must," "require," "shall not," "may not," and "prohibit" shall be considered to contain regulatory restrictions.

- (C) In the base inventory, the state agency shall indicate all of the following concerning each regulatory restriction:
 - (1) A description of the regulatory restriction;
 - (2) The rule number of the rule in which the regulatory restriction appears;
 - (3) The statute under which the regulatory restriction was adopted;
- (4) Whether state or federal law expressly and specifically requires the agency to adopt the regulatory restriction or the agency adopted the regulatory restriction under the agency's general authority;
- (5) Whether removing the regulatory restriction would require a change to state or federal law, provided that removing a regulatory restriction adopted under a law granting the agency general authority shall be presumed not to require a change to state or federal law;
 - (6) Any other information the joint committee on agency rule review considers necessary.
- (D) The state agency shall compute and state the total number of regulatory restrictions indicated in the base inventory, shall post the base inventory on its web site, and shall electronically transmit a copy of the inventory to the joint committee. The joint committee shall review the base inventory, then transmit it electronically to the speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the senate.
- (E) The following types of rules or regulatory restrictions are not required to be included in a state agency's inventory of regulatory restrictions:
 - (1) An internal management rule;
 - (2) An emergency rule;
 - (3) A rule that state or federal law requires the state agency to adopt verbatim;
- (4) A regulatory restriction contained in materials or documents incorporated by reference into a rule pursuant to sections 121.71 to 121.75 of the Revised Code;
 - (5) A rule adopted pursuant to section 1347.15 of the Revised Code;
 - (6) A rule concerning instant lottery games;
- (7) A rule adopted by the Ohio casino control commission or the state lottery commission concerning sports gaming;
 - (8) Any other rule that is not subject to review under Chapter 106. of the Revised Code;
- (9) Any rule that is adopted as a requirement for the state agency to obtain or maintain accreditation or certification from a multistate organization consisting of at least forty-five participating states.
- (F) Beginning on October 17, 2019, and ending on June 30, 2025, a state agency may not adopt a new regulatory restriction unless it simultaneously removes two or more other existing regulatory restrictions. The state agency may not satisfy this section by merging two or more

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existing regulatory restrictions into a single surviving regulatory restriction.

Sec. 121.951. (A)(1) Using the criteria listed in division (A) of section 106.03 of the Revised Code, a state agency shall amend or rescind rules identified in its base inventory of regulatory restrictions prepared under section 121.95 of the Revised Code as necessary to reduce the total number of regulatory restrictions by thirty per cent, according to the following schedule:

- (a) A ten per cent reduction not later than June 30, 2023;
- (b) A twenty per cent reduction not later than June 30, 2024; and
- (c) The thirty per cent reduction not later than June 30, 2025.

When a state agency has achieved a reduction of any percentage in regulatory restrictions, whether or not as specified in this section, the state agency may not adopt or maintain regulatory restrictions that would negate the reduction.

- (2) Beginning July 1, 2025, a state agency that has not achieved the specified thirty per cent reduction may not adopt a new regulatory restriction unless it simultaneously removes two or more other existing regulatory restrictions, until the specified thirty per cent reduction has been achieved. The state agency may not fulfill this requirement by merging two or more existing regulatory restrictions into a single surviving regulatory restriction. Removing or replacing "shall," "must," "require," "shall not," "may not," "prohibit," or similar words in a portion of a rule does not remove a regulatory restriction from a rule unless the removal eliminates a requirement or prohibition from the rule.
- (3) A state agency that has achieved the specified thirty per cent reduction may not adopt a new regulatory restriction unless it simultaneously removes one or more other existing regulatory restrictions. The state agency may not fulfill this requirement by merging two or more existing regulatory restrictions into a single surviving regulatory restriction.
- (4) A state agency is encouraged to continue to reduce regulatory restrictions after it has achieved the specified thirty per cent reduction.
- (B)(1) Not later than September 15, 2022, a state agency shall prepare an historical report of its progress in reducing regulatory restrictions over the period of time beginning when the agency prepared its base inventory under section 121.95 of the Revised Code and ending on June 30, 2022. Annually thereafter, a state agency shall prepare an historical report of its progress in reducing regulatory restrictions over the preceding fiscal year. The state agency shall explain in the report how it applied the criteria described in division (A) of section 106.03 of the Revised Code to its determinations as to which regulatory restrictions to amend or rescind. The state agency shall include a revised inventory of regulatory restrictions with the report.
- (2) In the revised inventory, in addition to the information required by section 121.95 of the Revised Code, the state agency shall compute the percentage net reduction in regulatory restrictions by subtracting the current number of regulatory restrictions from the number of regulatory restrictions identified in the base inventory and then dividing the resulting number by the number of regulatory restrictions in the base inventory.

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(3) The state agency shall transmit the report electronically to the joint committee on agency rule review. The joint committee shall review the report and shall transmit it electronically to the speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the senate. The state agency shall continue preparing and transmitting annual reports until it has reported that it has achieved the required reduction in regulatory restrictions.

Sec. 121.953. (A) Effective Except as provided in division (C) of this section, effective July 1, 2025, the number of regulatory restrictions in this state shall not exceed a number of regulatory restrictions determined by the joint committee on agency rule review in accordance with this section. The joint committee shall determine that number by calculating, for each agency, the number of regulatory restrictions identified by the agency in the base inventory prepared under section 121.95 of the Revised Code, minus the number of regulatory restrictions that represents the percentage reduction the state agency is required to achieve, and then totaling the resulting numbers for all state agencies. The joint committee shall consider any lessened required reductions under section 121.952 of the Revised Code.

- (B) A state agency shall contact the joint committee before submitting a proposed rule containing a regulatory restriction, and the joint committee shall determine whether adopting the regulatory restriction would cause the state to exceed the number of regulatory restrictions permitted under this section. A Except as provided in division (C) of this section, a state agency may not adopt a rule if by adopting the rule the state agency would cause the number of regulatory restrictions to exceed the state limit as determined by the joint committee.
- (C) Beginning on the effective date of this amendment, a state agency may appear before the joint committee to show cause why the agency should be permitted to adopt a rule that would cause the number of regulatory restrictions to exceed the state limit as determined by the joint committee. If the joint committee determines that the state agency has shown cause, the joint committee may, by a vote of a majority of its members, permit the state agency to adopt the rule notwithstanding the state limit on regulatory restrictions determined by the joint committee. The joint committee shall prepare a report summarizing all the rules it has authorized a state agency to adopt notwithstanding the state limit on regulatory restrictions. The joint committee shall transmit the report electronically to the speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the senate not later than the thirty-first day of December of each year.

Sec. 122.09. (A) As used in this section:

- (1) "Development costs" means all expenditures paid or incurred by the property owner in completing a certified transformational mixed use development project including acquisition costs and all costs incurred before the project is certified by the director of development.
- (2) "Eligible expenditures" means certain expenditures paid or incurred by the property owner in completing a certified transformational mixed use development project after the project is certified by the director of development, including architectural or engineering fees, due diligence costs, hard and soft construction costs, paid or incurred in connection with the project and expenses

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preceding the date of application. As used in this division "brownfield" has the same meaning as in section 122.6511 of the Revised Code.

- (8) When calculating the economic impact of a project previously completed and future phases of a phased development are not permitted to be included in the economic impact analysis or scoring.
- (D) Within twelve months of the date a project is certified, the property owner shall provide the tax credit authority director of development with an updated schedule for the progression and completion of the project and documentation sufficient to demonstrate that construction of the project has begun. If the property owner does not provide the schedule and documentation or if construction of the project has not begun within the time prescribed by this division, the tax credit authority-director shall rescind certification of the project and send notice of the rescission to the property owner-and-each insurance company that is preliminarily approved for a tax credit in connection with the project. A property owner that receives notice of rescission may submit a new application concerning the same project under division (B) of this section.
- (E) An applicant that is the property owner and is preliminarily approved for a tax credit under this section may sell or transfer the rights to all or a portion of that credit to one or more persons for the purpose of raising capital for the certified project. The applicant shall notify the tax credit authority upon selling or transferring the rights to the credit. The notice shall identify the person or persons to which the credit was sold or transferred and the credit amount sold or transferred to each such person. Only an applicant that owns the property may sell or transfer a eredit under this division. A credit may be divided among multiple purchasers through more than one transaction but once a particular credit amount is acquired by a person other than the applicant it may not be sold or transferred again and any person to whom the right to claim all or a portion of a 2 MD credit was transferred may transfer that sight in credit was transferred may transfer that right, in whole or in part, to another person.
- (F) After a transformational mixed use development project is certified and before it is completed, the property owner may request that the value of the tax credit certificates awarded in connection with the project be computed using the alternative method described in division (I) of this section. The tax credit authority shall grant the request if the authority determines, and a third party engaged by the authority at the expense of the property owner affirms, that it is reasonably certain that the increase in tax collections will exceed ten per cent of the estimated development costs within one year after the project is completed. Otherwise, the authority shall deny the request and the amount of each credit awarded in connection with the project shall be computed under division (H) of this section. The authority's determination under this division shall be delivered in writing and is final and not appealable.

(G)(1)(F)(1) The property owner shall notify the tax credit authority director of development upon completion of a certified transformational mixed use development project. The notification shall include a report prepared by a third-party certified public accountant that contains a detailed accounting of the actual development costs and eligible expenditures attributed to the project boxed and initialed text was

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transformational mixed use development project shall be computed as follows:

- (1) For the property owner or any person to which the property owner sold or transferred the rights to the credit, the lesser of the amount preliminarily approved for the tax credit or ten per cent of the actual development costs eligible expenditures attributed to the project. If the amount of the credit is less than the credit amount estimated under division (C) of this section and the property owner sold or transferred the rights to the credit to more than one person, the authority shall reduce the amount of each tax credit certificate on a pro rata basis unless the property owner requests an alternative allocation of the credit.
- (2) For an insurance company that contributed capital to the project, ten per cent of the insurance company's actual capital contribution.
- (J) If the value of a tax credit certificate was computed under division (H) of this section for a project, the property owner, on or before the thirtieth day following the first, second, third, fourth, and fifth anniversaries of the date the certified transformational mixed use development project is completed, may request in writing that the tax credit authority update the increase in tax collections during the completion period. Upon receiving such a request, the tax credit authority shall update the increase in tax collections in the same manner described by division (G) of this section. If the tax credit authority determines that the value of the tax credit certificates computed under division (H) of this section would be greater if computed based on the updated increase in tax collections, the authority shall issue an additional tax credit certificate to each person that previously received a certificate for the project under those divisions. The value of each additional tax credit certificate shall equal the amount by which the tax credit certificate computed under division (H) of this section upon completion of the project would have been greater had the value of such certificate been computed based on the updated increase in tax collections, less the value of any additional tax credit certificates previously issued under this division to the same person respecting the same project.
- (K)(H) The aggregate value of all tax credit certificates issued under this section for the same transformational mixed use development project shall not exceed (1) ten per cent of the actual development costs eligible expenditures of that project or (2) the sum of all estimated credit amounts amount preliminarily approved by the tax credit authority director of development in connection with the project.
- (L)(I) Issuance of a tax credit certificate under this section does not represent a verification or certification by the tax credit authority director of development of the actual development costs eligible expenditures of the project or the capital contributions to the project by an insurance company. Such amounts are subject to inspection and examination by the superintendent of insurance other state agencies.

(M)(J) Upon the issuance of a tax credit certificate under division (G) or (J) of this section, the tax credit authority director of development shall certify to the superintendent of insurance and the tax commissioner (1) the name of each person that was issued a tax credit certificate, (2) whether the person is the property owner, an insurance company that contributed capital to the development. The above boxed and initialed text was

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or a person that acquired the rights to the tax credit certificate from the property owner, (3) the credit amount shown on each tax credit certificate, and (4)(3) any other information required by the rules adopted under this section. A person that holds the rights to a tax credit certificate issued under this section and that is an insurance company may claim a tax credit under section 5725.35-or, 5726.62, 5729.18, or 5747.87 of the Revised Code, subject to any limitations in those sections.

(N)(K) The tax eredit authority director of development shall publish information about each transformational mixed use development on the web site of the department of development not later than the first day of August following certification of the project. The tax eredit authority director shall update the published information annually until the project is complete and the credit or credits are fully claimed. The published information shall include all of the following:

- (1) The location of the transformational mixed use development and the name by which it is known;
- (2) The estimated schedule for progression and completion of the project included in the development plan pursuant to division (B)(4) of this section;
- (3) The assessment of the projected economic impact of the project included in the development plan pursuant to division (B)(5) of this section;
- (4) The evidence supporting the estimated increase in tax collections included in the development plan pursuant to division (B)(6) of this section, except that the tax credit authority director may omit any proprietary or sensitive information included in such evidence;
- (5) The estimated development costs <u>cligible expenditures</u> that have been or will be incurred in completion of the project—and, if applicable, the amount of the insurance company's capital contribution to the development and the date on which it was made, as reported in the development plan pursuant to divisions (B)(3) and (7) of this section;
- (6) A copy of each report submitted to the tax credit authority director of development by the applicant under division (D) of this section.
- (O)(L) The director of development, in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, shall adopt rules that establish all of the following:
- (1) Forms and procedures by which applicants may apply for a transformational investment mixed use development tax credit, and any deadlines for applying;
- (2) Criteria and procedures for reviewing, evaluating, ranking, and approving applications within the limitations prescribed by this section, including rules prescribing the timing and frequency by which the tax credit authority director of development must rank applications and preliminarily approve tax credits under division (C) of this section;
 - (3) Eligibility requirements for obtaining a tax credit certificate under this section;
 - (4) The form of the tax credit certificate;
 - (5) Reporting requirements and monitoring procedures;
- (6) Procedures for computing the increase in tax collections within the project site and the surrounding area;

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to the director of budget and management and the tax commissioner, each of whom who shall review the application to determine the economic impact that the proposed eligible computer data center would have on the state and any affected political subdivisions and submit to the authority a summary of their determinations. The authority shall also forward a copy of the application to the director of development services who shall review the application to determine the economic impact that the proposed eligible computer data center would have on the state and the affected political subdivisions and shall submit a summary of their determinations and recommendations to the authority.

- (D) Upon review and consideration of such determinations and recommendations, the tax credit authority, before October 1, 2025, may enter into an agreement with the applicant and any other taxpayer that operates a computer data center business at the project site for a complete or partial exemption from the taxes imposed under Chapters 5739. and 5741. of the Revised Code on computer data center equipment used or to be used at an eligible computer data center if the authority determines all of the following:
- (1) The capital investment project for the eligible computer data center will increase payroll and the amount of income taxes to be withheld from employee compensation pursuant to section 5747.06 of the Revised Code.
- (2) The applicant is economically sound and has the ability to complete or effect the completion of the proposed capital investment project.
- (3) The applicant intends to and has the ability to maintain operations at the project site for the term of the agreement.
- (4) Receiving the exemption is a major factor in the applicant's decision to begin, continue with, or complete the capital investment project.
 - (E) An agreement entered into under this section shall include all of the following:
- (1) A detailed description of the capital investment project that is the subject of the agreement, including the amount of the investment, the period over which the investment has been or is being made, the annual compensation to be paid by each taxpayer subject to the agreement to its employees at the project site, and the anticipated amount of income taxes to be withheld from employee compensation pursuant to section 5747.06 of the Revised Code.
- (2) The percentage of the exemption from the taxes imposed under Chapters 5739. and 5741. of the Revised Code for the computer data center equipment used or to be used at the eligible computer data center, the length of time the computer data center equipment will be exempted, and the first date on which the exemption applies.
- (3) A requirement that the computer data center remain an eligible computer data center during the term of the agreement and that the applicant maintain operations at the eligible computer data center during that term. An applicant does not violate the requirement described in division (E) (3) of this section if the applicant ceases operations at the eligible computer data center during the term of the agreement but resumes those operations within eighteen months after the date of
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procedures and scoring metrics to the department's web site no later than December 31, 2025.

- (F) All applications for grants under this section and the scoring metrics used by the department of development in awarding such grants are public records for the purposes of section 149.43 of the Revised Code.
- (G) The general assembly, in enacting this section, hereby declares its intent to encourage major workforce housing projects in areas of the state that otherwise would not attract such developments and to increase home ownership among Ohioans.

Sec. 122.6510. (A) As used in this section, "federal act" means the "Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act," 115 Stat. 2356 (2002), 42 U.S.C. 9601 and 9604.

- (B) There is hereby created in the state treasury the Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund. The Fund shall consist of all moneys received by the state from repayments of loans made under the terms of the federal act, and any other money transferred to the Fund. The Fund may be used to make grants and loans by the Director of Development—Services. All investment earnings of the Fund shall be credited to the Fund.
- (C) The Director shall administer moneys received into the Fund and comply with all requirements imposed by the federal act in administering the funds.
- (D) The Director may establish a schedule of fees and charges payable by loan recipients to the Director for the administration of this section.

Sec. 122.6511. (A) As used in this section and section 122.6512 of the Revised Code:

- (1) "Brownfield" means an abandoned, idled, or under-used industrial, commercial, or institutional property where expansion or redevelopment is complicated by known or potential releases of hazardous substances or petroleum.
- (2) "Lead entity" means a county, township, municipal corporation, port authority, conservancy district, park district or other similar park authority, county land reutilization corporation, or organization for profit.
- (3) "Remediation" means any action to contain, remove, or dispose of hazardous substances or petroleum at a brownfield. "Remediation" includes the acquisition of a brownfield, demolition performed at a brownfield, and the installation or upgrade of the minimum amount of infrastructure that is necessary to make a brownfield operational for economic development activity. "Remediation" also includes demolition and infrastructure development costs.
- (4) "County land reutilization corporation" has the same meaning as in section 1724.01 of the Revised Code.
- (5) "Demolition and infrastructure development costs" means demolition costs and costs associated with constructing, upgrading, or extending infrastructure necessary to make a brownfield operational.
- (5)(6) "Priority investment area eligible project" means some or all of the following activities necessary or conducive for generating, transporting, storing, or transmitting electricity at the site of a brownfield or former coal mine located in a priority investment area designated under

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documentation required to be submitted with the application.

The credit is determined as follows:

- (a) If the total budgeted eligible expenditures stated in the application submitted under division (B) of this section or the actual eligible expenditures as finally determined under division (D) of this section, whichever is least, is less than or equal to three hundred thousand dollars, no credit is allowed;
- (b) If the total budgeted eligible expenditures stated in the application submitted under division (B) of this section or the actual eligible expenditures as finally determined under division (D) of this section, whichever is least, is greater than three hundred thousand dollars, the credit equals thirty per cent of the least of such budgeted or actual eligible expenditure amounts.
- (2) Except as provided in division (C)(4) of this section, if the director of development approves a production qualifying company's application for a credit, the director shall issue a tax credit certificate to the company. The director in consultation with the tax commissioner shall prescribe the form and manner of issuing certificates. The director shall assign a unique identifying number to each tax credit certificate and shall record the certificate in a register devised and maintained by the director for that purpose. The certificate shall state the amount of the eligible expenditures on which the credit is based and the amount of the credit. Upon the issuance of a certificate, the director shall certify to the tax commissioner the name of the production qualifying company to which the certificate was issued, the amount of eligible expenditures shown on the certificate, the amount of the credit, and any other information required by the rules adopted to administer this section.
- (3) The amount of eligible expenditures for which a tax credit may be claimed is subject to inspection and examination by the tax commissioner or employees of the commissioner under section 5703.19 of the Revised Code and any other applicable law. Once the eligible expenditures are finally determined under section 5703.19 of the Revised Code and division (D) of this section, the credit amount is not subject to adjustment unless the director determines an error was committed in the computation of the credit amount.
- (4) No tax credit certificate may be issued before the completion of the tax credit-eligible production. The amount of tax credit allowed per fiscal year, through fiscal year 2027, shall not exceed the sum of (a) fifty million dollars, (b) the difference between the maximum credit amount for that fiscal year under section 122.852 of the Revised Code and the amount the director of development elects to allow under this section pursuant to division (D)(1) of section 122.852 of the Revised Code, and (c) the difference between the maximum amount of credits that could have been awarded in the previous fiscal year under this section and the amount actually awarded. Out of that sum, five million dollars shall be reserved for broadway theatrical productions, and the balance may be allowed for any tax credit-eligible production. For any fiscal year in which less than five million dollars of tax credits are allowed for broadway theatrical productions, the ambant of the five finition dollars not allowed and added to the maximum annual amount for the following fiscal year shall be

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reserved for broadway theatrical productions in the following fiscal year. No amount of tax credit shall be allowed under this section after fiscal year 2027 unless specifically authorized by an act of the general assembly.

(5) The director shall review and approve applications for tax credits in two rounds each fiscal year. The first round of credits shall be awarded not later than the last day of July of the fiscal year, and the second round of credits shall be awarded not later than the last day of the ensuing January. The amount of credits awarded in the first round of applications each fiscal year shall not exceed one half of the maximum allowance for the fiscal year calculated under division (C)(4) of this section, two million five hundred thousand dollars of which shall be reserved for broadway theatrical productions. For each round, the director shall rank applications on the basis of the extent of positive economic impact each tax credit eligible production is likely to have in this state and the effect on developing a permanent workforce in motion picture or theatrical production industries in the state. For the purpose of such ranking, the on a rolling basis. The director shall give priority to tax-credit eligible productions that are television series or miniseries due to the long-term commitment typically associated with such productions. The economic impact ranking shall be based on the production company's total expenditures in this state directly associated with the tax crediteligible production. The effect on developing a permanent workforce in the motion picture or theatrical production industries shall be evaluated first by the number of new jobs created and second by amount of payroll added with respect to employees in this state.

The director shall approve productions in the order of their ranking, from those with the greatest positive economic impact and workforce development effect to those with the least positive economic impact and workforce development effect.

- (D) A production—qualifying company whose motion picture or broadway theatrical production has been certified as a tax credit-eligible production shall engage, at the company's expense, an independent certified public accountant to examine the company's production, postproduction, and advertising and promotion expenditures to identify the expenditures that qualify as eligible expenditures. The certified public accountant shall issue a report to the company and to the director of development certifying the company's eligible expenditures and any other information required by the director. Upon receiving and examining the report, the director may disallow any expenditure the director determines is not an eligible expenditure. If the director disallows an expenditure, the director shall issue a written notice to the production—company stating that the expenditure is disallowed and the reason for the disallowance. Upon examination of the report and disallowance of any expenditures, the director shall determine finally the lesser of the total budgeted eligible expenditures stated in the application submitted under division (B) of this section or the actual eligible expenditures for the purpose of computing the amount of the credit.
- (E) No credit shall be allowed under section 5726.55, 5733.59, 5747.66, or 5751.54 of the Revised Code unless the director has reviewed the report and made the determination prescribed by division (D) of this section.

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immediate use or places in jeopardy property adjacent to it.

- (B) When a declaration of public exigency is issued pursuant to division (C) of this section, the Ohio facilities construction commission, or the requesting director of the state agency, state institution of higher education as defined in division (A)(1) of section 3345.12 of the Revised Code, or other state instrumentality, as determined by the executive director of the commission, shall enter into contracts with proper persons for the performance of labor, the furnishing of materials, or the construction of any structures and buildings necessary to the maintenance, control, and management of the public works of the state or any part of those public works. Any contracts awarded for the work performed pursuant to the declaration of a public exigency may be awarded without competitive bidding or selection as set forth in Chapter 153. of the Revised Code.
- (C) The executive director of the Ohio facilities construction commission may issue a declaration of a public exigency on the executive director's own initiative or upon the request of the director of any state agency, a state institution of higher education as defined in division (A)(1) of section 3345.12 of the Revised Code, or any other state instrumentality. The executive director's declaration shall identify the specific injury, obstruction, or danger that is the subject of the declaration and shall set forth a dollar limitation for the repair, removal, or prevention of that exigency under the declaration.

Before any project to repair, remove, or prevent a public exigency under the executive director's declaration may begin, the executive director shall send notice of the project, in writing, to the director of budget and management and to the members of the controlling board. That notice shall detail the project to be undertaken to address the public exigency and shall include a copy of the executive director's declaration that establishes the monetary limitations on that project.

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Sec. 123.14. (A) Every two years, the department of administrative services shall conduct a comprehensive study and issue a report on all real property owned or leased by the state or a state agency. The director of administrative services shall deliver the report to the speaker of the house of representatives, the president of the senate, and the governor not later than the thirty-first day of January of every odd-numbered year. The study shall include all of the following:

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- (1) A complete list of all the real property owned by the state or a state agency. The list shall be organized by who owns the real property, which shall include information regarding the nature of the real property, such as whether the real property includes structures, whether any structure is office space, the value of the real property, the cost of maintaining the real property, and what percentage of the real property is used or unused by the state or state agency.
- (2) A complete list of all the real property that the state or a state agency rents or leases, but does not own, and the cost of renting or leasing;

- (3) Which state agencies use the real property, whether owned or leased, and the square footage that is used, versus not used, organized by state agency;
- (4) How much of the real property identified in division (A)(3) of this section would be used if all employees of that agency worked in person, rather than remote.

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