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SBECD2 State Board of Education membership

R.C. 3301.01, 3301.02, 3301.03, and 3301.06; 3513.259 (repealed); Section 801.230; various other sections making conforming changes

No provision.

Reduces State Board of Education (SBE) membership from eight members appointed by the Governor and 11 elected members to a total of five members appointed by the Governor.

No provision.

Abolishes the offices of the elected SBE members upon expiration of their current terms or a vacancy in their offices and the offices of the first three appointed members whose terms expire or who vacate their offices.

No provision.

Modifies the representation requirements for appointed SBE members to require at least one member to represent each of a rural, suburban, and urban school district, a community school, and a chartered nonpublic school.

No provision.

Changes criteria for determining whether absences lead to a vacancy in SBE from two consecutive absences from regular SBE meetings for reasons that are declared insufficient by a vote of 12 members to three consecutive absences from regular meetings for any reason.

No provision.

Eliminates all requirements regarding the election of SBE members.

Fiscal effect: Decrease in SBE board member compensation costs reaching roughly \$50,000 annually once the SBE falls to five members. SBE members are paid \$32.02 per hour for the performance of official duties. In 2024, SBE board members received an average of about \$3,500 in compensation. SBE members also receive travel reimbursements, which will decrease to some degree as well.

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SBECD5 Computer science teacher licensure - waiver

No provision.

R.C. 3313.6033, (codifying Section 733.61 of H.B. 166 of the 133rd General Assembly), 3319.236

Makes permanent an exception set to expire after the 2024-2025 school year that permits a licensed teacher who completes specified professional development to teach computer science without otherwise being licensed in that subject area.

Fiscal effect: May provide public schools with a greater pool of individuals to teach computer science courses on an ongoing basis.

SBECD1 Ohio Teacher Residency Program assessment

R.C. 3319.223, 3319.111

Eliminates the Resident Educator Summative Assessment (RESA) as a measure of appropriate progression through the Ohio Teacher Residency Program and permits the use of evaluations under a teacher evaluation system established in accordance with continuing law as a measure of appropriate progression under the program.

Fiscal effect: Decreases expenditures from the State Board of Education Licensure Fund (Fund 4L20) by \$1.1 million or more annually.

R.C. 3319.223, 3319.111

Same as the Executive.

Fiscal effect: Same as the Executive, but expenditures will be lower than otherwise for the Occupational Licensing and Regulatory Fund (Fund 4K90), instead of Fund 4L20 (see SBECD3).

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SBECD6 School counselor professional development in building trades

No provision.

R.C. 3319.2213, (repealed)

Eliminates law that requires: (1) SBE to enter into an agreement with a construction trade organization located in Ohio, such as affiliated construction trades (ACT) Ohio, or its successor organization, to develop a mandatory training program to educate school counselors on building and construction trades career pathways; and (2) each licensed school counselor serving students in grades 7-12 to complete four hours of that training every five years.

Fiscal effect: None apparent. According to SBE, it has entered into a memorandum of understanding with Affiliated Construction Trades Ohio Foundation (ACT Ohio) to develop the training program. ACT Ohio bears all costs associated with the training.

SBECD4 Alternative Resident Educator License

No provision.

R.C. 3319.263

Eliminates the July 1, 2028, sunset date for the prohibition on the SBE limiting the subject areas for which an alternative resident educator license is issued.

Fiscal effect: None.

SBECD3 State Board of Education funding

No provision.

R.C. 3319.51, 4743.05, Section 263.20

Abolishes the State Board of Education Licensure Fund (Fund 4L20).

No provision.

Requires SBE's operating expenses to be paid primarily from, and the license, certificate, or permit fees it collects to be paid into, the Occupational Licensing and Regulatory Fund (Fund 4K90).

No provision.

Requires SBE to establish license, certificate, or permit fee amounts that, along with any appropriations made by the General Assembly, will be enough to cover its annual estimated operating expenses, instead of just the cost of administering SBE's licensure system as under current law.

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No provision.

Transfers, on July 1, 2025, or as soon as possible thereafter, the cash balance of Fund 4L20 to Fund 4K90 and abolishes Fund 4L20. Requires the OBM Director to cancel any existing encumbrances against Fund 4L20 ALI 210600, Operating Expenses, and reestablish them against Fund 4K90 ALI 210602, Operating Expenses, and appropriates the reestablished encumbrance amounts.

Fiscal effect: May provide greater financial stability for SBE, as Fund 4K90 serves as a shared operating fund for many occupational licensing and regulatory boards and commissions. Fund 4K90 is supported by license fees, fines, penalties, and other assessments deposited by the boards and commission that use the fund. In addition, shifts, from the GRF to Fund 4K90, \$2.0 million each fiscal year that the Executive budget appropriated for SBE's expenses associated with RAPBACK, a continuous criminal record monitoring service for Ohio educators.

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DASCD20 Professions Licensing System

Section: 207.40

Requires Fund 4K90 ALI 100673, Ohio Professionals Licensing System, to be used to purchase equipment, products, and services necessary to update and maintain an automated licensing system for the professional licensing boards.

Requires DAS to establish charges for recovering the costs of ongoing maintenance of the system that are not otherwise recovered. Requires that the charges be proportionate to each benefiting state agency, board or commission's use of the system. Requires the OBM Director to transfer cash from the operating funds of agencies, boards, and commissions to Fund 4K90 if the board is not already funded by Fund 4K90.

Requires the State Board of Education to consult with DAS on the utilization of the Ohio Professionals Licensing System and to consider opportunities to reduce the number of license and certification types.

Section: 207.40

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Educator Provisions

EDUCD55 Principal apprenticeship program

R.C. 3319.271

Requires DEW to establish a principal apprenticeship program to provide pathways for licensed teachers employed in Ohio and professionals in other fields to receive school leadership and administration training and development, and an optional master's degree.

Permits DEW to give preference to applicants with multiple years of classroom teaching experience or experience in the same career field and in teaching, training, or supervising others.

Requires participants of the program to be mentored by a school principal and complete on-the-job training.

Requires the State Board of Education to issue a professional administrator license for grades preK-12 to individuals who successfully complete the program.

Fiscal effect: The bill earmarks \$5.0 million in each fiscal year from GRF ALI 200448, Educator and Principal Preparation, to fund the program (see EDUCD91).

R.C. 3319.271

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Fiscal effect: The bill eliminates the earmark providing state funding for the program, shifting the costs of the program from the state to school districts (see EDUCD91).

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ELCCD1 Candidate filing fees

R.C. 3513.10

Increases the candidate filing fees by \$5 for the following offices: (1) State Board of Education, (2) county and municipal court judge, (3) state legislators, (4) U.S. Representatives, (5) city and county elected officials.

Increases the candidate filings fees by \$10 for: (1) statewide elected offices and (2) Court of Appeals and Court of Common Please judges.

Fiscal effect: Additional revenue gain of approximately \$10,000 over the biennium for the Elections Commission Fund (Fund 4P20).

R.C. 3513.10

Replaces the Executive provision with one that instead removes all candidate filing fees credited to the Elections Commission Fund (Fund 4P20). Removes additional candidate filing fees for the State Board of Education (see SBECD2) and county coroners (see LOCCD21) which are to be appointed rather than elected positions under the bill.

No provision.

Fiscal effect: With the abolishment of ELC (see ELCCD2), ELC candidate filing fees paid to Fund 4P20 are repealed.

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DOHCD38 Save Our Sight Fund - health professional licensure

R.C. 3701.21, 4743.12

No provision.

Requires the following licensing boards to ask an applicant for licensure or renewal if the applicant wishes to voluntarily contribute to the Save Our Sight Fund: NUR, PRX, State Board of Education, State Board of Emergency Medical, Fire, and Transportation Services, MED, and VPB.

No provision.

Requires such a board to provide a method by which an applicant wishing to contribute may do so.

No provision.

Requires all amounts collected to be deposited into the state treasury to the credit of the Save Our Sight Fund (Fund 4V60).

Fiscal effect: Potential increase in costs to impacted boards to adjust applications to accommodate voluntary contributions, including possible IT/eLicense changes. The bill increases DPF Fund 4V60 ALI 440641, Save Our Sight, by \$500,000 in each fiscal year.