COMCD4 Building code services for political subdivisions

R.C. 121.083, 3781.10
Authorizes the Superintendent of the Division of Industrial Compliance to administer and enforce the building code on behalf of political subdivisions or health districts, pursuant to contract.
Fiscal effect: Presumably, in these cases COM's costs would be covered by the amount of payment agreed to in the contract. The payments would be deposited into the Industrial Compliance Operating Fund (Fund 5560).

COMCD2 Digital publication of notice of unclaimed funds

R.C. 169.06
Allows notice of unclaimed funds to be published in digital format in addition to print as required under current law.
Fiscal effect: None, as this codifies existing practice.

COMCD3 Multistate licensing system

R.C. 1181.23, 1321.73, 1349.43, 4712.02, 4727.03, and 4728.03
Authorizes the Superintendent of Financial Institutions within COM to participate in a multistate licensing system for all license or registration types overseen by the Superintendent.
Authorizes the Superintendent to adopt rules to facilitate participation in the multistate licensing system. Allows those rules to add to, but not contradict, current licensing requirements with regard to: (1) criminal history records, civil or administrative records, or credit history records, (2) the payment of fees, and (3) renewal or reporting dates.
Fiscal effect: The bill allows the Superintendent to set fees paid by licensees for the cost of using the multistate licensing system.
COMCD10  Construction and Manufacturing Mentorship Program

R.C. 4109.22, 4109.05, and 4109.99
Creates the Construction and Manufacturing Mentorship Program to expose minors who are 16- or 17- years old to construction and manufacturing occupations in Ohio through temporary employment with an employer.
Requires an employer employing a minor under the Mentorship Program to provide the minor with required training, assign the minor a mentor who is liable for the minor during the minor's employment, and take other specified actions.
Requires the Director of Commerce to specify a list of tools that a minor employed under the Mentorship Program may operate during the minor's employment.
Prohibits an employer from either (1) permitting a minor from operating a tool described above unless the minor is employed under the Mentorship Program, or (2) permitting a minor who is employed under the Mentorship Program from operating a tool prohibited for use by minors of that age under federal and state law. Establishes a civil penalty of $1,730 per violation for whoever violates these prohibitions.
Prohibits the Director from adopting any rule to prohibit a 16- or 17- year old minor employed by an employer under the Mentorship Program from being employed in a construction or manufacturing occupation if the minor's employment in the occupation is permitted under federal law.
Fiscal effect: Minimal costs for rulemaking and establishing employer guidelines for the new program.

COMCD9  Fire Marshal CDL exemption

R.C. 4506.03
Exempts a qualified person who operates fire equipment for the State Fire Marshal from the requirement to hold a commercial driver's license.
Fiscal effect: Decreases expenses in the State Fire Marshal Fund (Fund 5460) to pay for commercial driver's license. A first commercial driver's license is $42 and a renewal is $44.75 and is deposited into the Public Safety – Highway Purposes Fund (Fund 5TM0) used by the Department of Public Safety.
Executive

COMCD8 Oil and gas land professionals - civil penalties

R.C. 4735.023, 4735.052
Corrects and adds section references to ensure oil and gas land professionals are subject to COM's Division of Real Estate and Professional Licensing's civil enforcement authority.
Fiscal effect: Uncertain. Civil penalties are deposited into the Division of Real Estate Operating Fund (Fund 5490).

COMCD20 Real estate license fees

R.C. 4735.06, 4735.09, 4735.13, 4735.15, 4735.182, 4735.27, and 4735.28
Increases the following fees under COM's Division of Real Estate and Professional Licensing: (1) real estate broker license application fee, from $100 to $135, (2) real estate salesperson license application fee, from $60 to $81, (3) transfer from broker license to salesperson license fee, from $25 to $34, (4) notice of intention by real estate broker to join business entity fee, from $25 to $34, (5) reactivation or transfer of a broker's license into or out of business entity fee, from $25 to $34, (6) reactivation or transfer of a salesperson license fee, from $25 to $34, (7) branch office license fee, from $15 to $20, (8) foreign real estate salesperson's license and renewal fee, from $50 to $68, (9) additional fee for an education course provider or course provider applicant whose fee payment was returned, from $100 to $135, (10) foreign real estate dealer examination fee, from $75 to $101, (11) foreign real estate salesperson examination fee, from $50 to $68, and (12) cap of foreign real estate dealer's fee for each sales person employed by the dealer, from $150 to $203.
Eliminates the annual renewal fee for real estate brokers and real estate salespersons and instead establishes a triennial renewal and late fee for these licenses as follows: (1) renewal of a three-year real estate broker's license for $243, (2) renewal of a three-year real estate salesperson's license for $182, (3) late renewal of three-year real estate broker's license for $121.50, and (4) late renewal of three-year real estate salesperson's license for $91.
Fiscal effect: Increases revenue deposited into the Division of Real Estate Operating Fund (Fund 5490). As of April 3, 2019, the cash balance in Fund 5490 was $1.7 million.
Executive

COMCD5    Real Estate Recovery Fund assessments and transfers

R.C.  4735.12, Section 243.20
Replaces the current tiered assessments to fund the Real Estate Recovery Fund that the Real Estate Commission imposes on real estate broker and salesperson license renewals with a required $10 assessment if the Fund falls below $250,000.
Allows the OBM Director, upon the request of the COM Director and if the Fund 5480 cash balance exceeds $250,000 during the biennium, to transfer cash from Fund 5480 to the Division of Real Estate Operating Fund (Fund 5490), such that the amount available in Fund 5480 is not less than $250,000.
Fiscal effect: Eliminates the assessment deposited into Fund 5480 if the cash balance is over $250,000. The March 2019 cash balance in Fund 5480 is $1.2 million.

COMCD6    Real Estate Appraiser Recovery Fund transfers

R.C.  4763.16, Section 243.20
Changes the COM Director's authority to request money be moved from the Real Estate Appraiser Operating Fund (Fund 6A40) to the Real Estate Appraiser Recovery Fund (Fund 4B20) if the cash balance in Fund 4B20 falls below $500,000 to authority to make such a request if the cash balance in Fund 4B20 falls below $200,000.
Allows the OBM Director, upon the request of the COM Director and if the Fund 4B20 cash balance exceeds $200,000 during the biennium, to transfer cash from Fund 4B20 to Fund 6A40, such that the amount available in Fund 4B20 is not less than $200,000.
Fiscal effect: Decreases the cash balance threshold in Fund 4B20 from below $500,000 to below $200,000 when revenue is transferred from Fund 6A40 to Fund 4B20. The cash balance in Fund 4B20 is $1.0 million.

COMCD7    Appraisers' removal from appraiser panels

R.C.  4768.09
Eliminates an exception that allows appraisers to be removed from an appraisal management company's appraiser panel without notice or an opportunity to respond during their first 30 days on the panel.
Fiscal effect: None.

**COMCD11**  Unclaimed funds payments

**Section:** 243.20
Requires DPF Fund 5430 appropriation item 800625, Unclaimed Funds-Claims, to be used to pay claims under R.C. 169.08 and permits the COM Director to request that the OBM Director appropriate additional amounts if needed. Appropriates the additional amounts.

**COMCD12**  Division of Real Estate and Professional Licensing

**Section:** 243.20
Requires DPF Fund 4B20 appropriation item 800631, Real Estate Appraisal Recovery, to be used to pay settlements, judgments, and court orders under R.C. 4763.16. Permits the COM Director to request that the OBM Director appropriate additional amounts if needed. Appropriates the additional amounts.
Requires DPF Fund 5480 appropriation item 800611, Real Estate Recovery, to be used to pay settlements, judgments, and court orders under R.C. 4735.12 and, as above, appropriates additional amounts for this purpose if necessary.

**COMCD13**  Fire Department Grants

**Section:** 243.20
(1) Requires that DPF Fund 5460 appropriation item 800639, Fire Department Grants, be used to make grants to volunteer fire departments, fire departments that serve one or more small municipalities or small townships, joint fire districts comprised of fire departments that primarily serve small municipalities or small townships, local units of government responsible for such fire departments, and local units of government responsible for the provision of fire protection services for small municipalities or small townships.
(2) Requires the grants to be used to purchase firefighting or rescue equipment or gear or similar items, to provide full or partial reimbursement for the documented costs of firefighter training, or, at the discretion of the State Fire Marshal, to cover fire
department costs for providing fire protection services in the grant recipient's jurisdiction.

(3) Earmarks up to $1,000,000 in each fiscal year from DPF Fund 5460 appropriation item 800639, Fire Department Grants, to pay for the State Fire Marshal's costs of providing certain firefighter training classes at no cost to selected students, and allows the State Fire Marshal to establish the qualification and selection process for such classes.

(4) Earmarks up to $3,000,000 in each fiscal year from DPF Fund 5460 appropriation item 800639, Fire Department Grants, to be used for Multi-Agency Radio Communication System (MARCS) grants. Establishes the criteria for the awarding of these grants, including authority for the State Fire Marshal to give a preference to grants that will enhance emergency communication networks in the geographic region that includes and is adjacent to the applicant's jurisdiction. Specifies that the awards may be up to $50,000 annually per recipient.

(5) Limits grant awards for firefighter or rescue equipment or gear or fire department costs of providing fire protection services to $15,000 per fiscal year, or up to $25,000 per fiscal year if an eligible entity serves a jurisdiction in which the Governor declared a natural disaster during the preceding or current fiscal year in which the grant was awarded, and up to $15,000 per fiscal year for full or partial reimbursement of the documented costs of firefighter training, which could be in addition to any grant funds awarded for equipment or fire protection services. Requires the State Fire Marshal to determine the total amounts to be allocated for each eligible purpose.

(6) Requires the State Fire Marshal to administer the grant program in accordance with rules adopted as part of the State Fire Code, which may further define eligible entities and establish criteria for the awarding and expenditure of grant funds.

(7) Permits any appropriations in excess of the amount allocated for the grants to be used to administer the grant program.

**Cash transfers to Division of Real Estate Operating Fund**

**Section:** 243.30

Allows the OBM Director, upon the request of the COM Director, to transfer up to $500,000 in cash from the Real Estate Education and Research Fund (Fund 5470) to the Division of Real Estate Operating Fund (Fund 5490) during the biennium.
COMCD16  Cash transfers to Small Government Fire Department Services Revolving Loan Fund

Section:  243.30
Allows the OBM Director, upon the request of the COM Director, to transfer up to $300,000 in cash from the State Fire Marshal Fund (Fund 5460) to the Small Government Fire Department Services Revolving Loan Fund (Fund 5F10) during the biennium.

COMCD17  Cash transfers to Home Inspector Operating Fund and the Home Inspector Recovery Fund

Section:  243.30
Allows the OBM Director, upon the request of the COM Director, to transfer up to $500,000 in cash from the Division of Securities Fund (Fund 5500) as follows: up to $490,000 in cash to the Home Inspector Operating Fund (Fund 5VC0) and up to $10,000 in cash to the Home Inspector Recovery Fund (Fund 5VD0).
Requires the OBM Director, in consultation with the COM Director, to establish a repayment schedule to fully repay the cash transferred from the Divisions of Securities Fund (Fund 5500).
Executive

OBMCD37  Medical marijuana control program repayments

Section:  509.50
Requires the Director of Commerce and the Executive Director of the Board of Pharmacy to consult with the Director of OBM to determine a repayment schedule for the FY 2020-FY 2021 biennium to fully repay transfers on behalf of each agency from the Emergency Purposes/Contingency Fund (Fund 5KM0) to the Medicaid Marijuana Control Program Fund (Fund 5YS0). Specifies that such repayments are to be credited to the GRF.