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A BILL

То	amend sections 122.651, 122.657, 122.658, 151.01,
	164.22, 164.23, 901.22, and 5301.691 of the Revised
	Code, and to amend Sections 4, 6, and 7 of Am. Sub.
	H.B. 3 of the 124th General Assembly to revise the
	procedures to be followed by park districts when
	applying for natural resources and parks and
	recreation grants, to create a revolving loan fund
	for repayments of loans made from the Clean Ohio
	Revitalization Fund, to provide that the Department
	of Agriculture is a coholder of and may share in
	enforcing local Clean Ohio Agricultural Easement
	Fund easements, and to make an appropriation.

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

Section 1	• That sections 122.651, 122.657, 122.658, 151.01,	14
164.22, 164.23	, 901.22, and 5301.691 of the Revised Code be	15
amended to read	d as follows:	16

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Sec. 122.651. (A) There is hereby created the clean Ohio council consisting of the director of development or the director's designee, the director of environmental protection or the director's designee, the director of the Ohio public works commission as a nonvoting, ex officio member, one member of the majority party of the senate and one member of the minority party of the senate to be appointed by the president of the senate, one member of the majority party of the house of representatives and one member of the minority party of the house of representatives to be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, and seven members to be appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the senate. Of the members appointed by the governor, one shall represent the interests of counties, one shall represent the interests of townships, one shall represent the interests of municipal corporations, two shall represent the interests of business and development, and two shall represent statewide environmental advocacy organizations. The members appointed by the governor shall reflect the demographic and economic diversity of the population of the state. Additionally, the governor's appointments shall represent all areas of the state. All appointments to the council shall be made not later than one hundred twenty days after the effective date of this section July 26, 2001.

(B) The members appointed by the president of the senate and speaker of the house of representatives shall serve at the pleasure of their appointing authorities. Of the initial members appointed by the governor to the clean Ohio council, four shall be appointed for two years and three shall be appointed for one year. Thereafter, terms of office for members appointed by the governor shall be for two years, with each term ending on the same day of the same month as did the term that it succeeds. Each of those members shall hold office from the date of appointment until the

end of the term for which the member is appointed.

Members may be reappointed. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as provided for original appointments. Any member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring prior to the expiration date of the term for which the member was appointed shall hold office for the remainder of that term. A member shall continue in office after the expiration date of the member's term until the member's successor takes office or until a period of sixty days has elapsed, whichever occurs first. The governor may remove a member appointed by the governor for misfeasance, nonfeasance, or malfeasance in office.

- (C) The director of development shall serve as the chairperson of the clean Ohio council. The council annually shall select from among its members a vice-chairperson and a secretary to keep a record of its proceedings. A majority vote of a quorum of the members of the council is necessary to take action on any matter. The council may adopt bylaws governing its operation, including bylaws that establish the frequency of meetings, procedures for reviewing eligible projects under sections 122.65 to 122.658 of the Revised Code and policies and requirements established under section 122.657 of the Revised Code, and other necessary procedures.
- (D) Members of the clean Ohio council shall be deemed to be public officials or officers only for the purposes of section 9.86 and Chapters 102. and 2921. of the Revised Code. Serving as a member of the clean Ohio council does not constitute holding a public office or position of employment under the laws of this state and does not so as to constitute grounds for removal of public officers or employees serving as members of the council from their offices or positions of employment. Members of the council shall file with the Ohio ethics commission the disclosure statement described in division (A) of section 102.02 of the

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Revised Code on the form prescribed by the commission and be	81
subject to divisions (C) and (D) of that section. Members of the	82
council shall serve without compensation for attending council	83
meetings but shall receive their actual and necessary traveling	84
and other expenses incurred in the performance of their official	85
duties in accordance with the rules of the office of budget and	86
management.	87
(E) Members appointed by the governor shall to represent the	88
interests of counties, townships, and municipal corporations do	89
not have a conflict of interest with by virtue of their service in	90
the position. For the purposes of this division, "conflict of	91
interest" means the taking of any action that violates any	92
provision of Chapter 102. or 2921. of the Revised Code as a member	93
of the council that affects a public agency the person serves as	94
an officer or employee.	95
(F) The department of development shall provide office space	96
for the council. The council shall be assisted in its duties by	97
the staff of the department of development and the environmental	98
protection agency.	99
(G) Sections 101.82 to 101.87 of the Revised Code do not	100
apply to the clean Ohio council.	101
Sec. 122.657. For the purposes of sections 122.65 to 122.658	102
of the Revised Code, the director of development shall establish	103
policies and requirements regarding all of the following:	104
(A) The form and content of applications for grants or loans	105
from the clean Ohio revitalization fund under section 122.652 of	106
the Revised Code. The policies and requirements shall require that	107
each application include, at a minimum, all of the following:	108
(1) The name, address, and telephone number of the applicant;	109
(2) The legal description of the property for which the grant	110

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or loan is requested;	111
(3) A summary description of the hazardous substances or	112
petroleum present at the brownfield and a certified copy of the	113
results of an assessment;	114
(4) A detailed explanation of the proposed cleanup or	115
remediation of the brownfield, including an identification of the	116
applicable cleanup standards, and a detailed description of the	117
proposed use of the brownfield after completion of the cleanup or	118
remediation;	119
(5) An estimate of the total cost to clean up or remediate	120
the brownfield in order to comply with the applicable cleanup	121
standards. The total cost shall include the cost of employing a	122
certified professional under section 122.654 of the Revised Code.	123
(6) A detailed explanation of the portion of the estimated	124
total cost of the cleanup or remediation of the brownfield that	125
the applicant proposes to provide as required under sections	126
122.653 and 122.658 of the Revised Code and financial records	127
supporting the proposal;	128
(7) A certified copy of a resolution or ordinance approving	129
the project that the applicant shall obtain from the board of	130
township trustees of the township or the legislative authority of	131
the municipal corporation in which the property is located,	132
whichever is applicable;	133
(8) A description of the estimated economic benefit that will	134
result from a cleanup or remediation of the brownfield;	135
(9) An application summary for purposes of review by an	136
integrating committee or, if applicable, the executive committee	137
of an integrating committee under division (B) of section 122.652	138
of the Revised Code;	139
(10) With respect to applications for loans, information	140

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(1) The potential economic benefit that will result from the	172
cleanup or remediation of a brownfield;	173
(2) The potential environmental improvement that will result	174
from the cleanup or remediation of a brownfield;	175
(3) The amount and nature of the match provided by an	176
applicant as required under sections 122.653 and 122.658 of the	177
Revised Code;	178
(4) Funding priorities recommended by integrating committees	179
or, if required under division (C) of section 122.652 of the	180
Revised Code, executive committees of integrating committees under	181
division (B) of section 122.652 of the Revised Code;	182
(5) The potential benefit to low-income communities,	183
including minority communities, that will result from the cleanup	184
or remediation of a brownfield;	185
(6) Any other factors that the director considers	186
appropriate.	187
(E) The development of criteria that the director shall use	188
when awarding grants under section 122.656 of the Revised Code.	189
The criteria shall give priority to public health projects. In	190
addition, the director, in consultation with the director of	191
environmental protection, shall establish policies and	192
requirements that require the criteria to include a public health	193
project selection process that incorporates and emphasizes all of	194
the following factors:	195
(1) The potential environmental improvement that will result	196
from the cleanup or remediation;	197
(2) The ability of an applicant to access the property for	198
purposes of the cleanup or remediation;	199
(3) The name and qualifications of the cleanup or remediation	200
contractor;	201

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(4) Any other factors that the director of development	202
considers appropriate.	203
The director of development may develop any other policies	204
and requirements that the director determines are necessary for	205
the administration of section 122.656 of the Revised Code.	206
(F) The development of a brownfield cleanup and remediation	207
oversight program to ensure compliance with sections 122.65 to	208
122.658 of the Revised Code and policies and requirements	209
established under this section. The policies and requirements	210
shall require the program to include, at a minimum, both of the	211
following:	212
(1) Procedures for the accounting of invoices and receipts	213
and any other documents that are necessary to demonstrate that a	214
cleanup or remediation was properly performed;	215
(2) Procedures that are necessary to provide a detailed	216
explanation of the status of the property five years after the	217
completed cleanup or remediation.	218
(G) A delineation of what constitutes administrative costs	219
for purposes of divisions $\frac{(C)(D)}{(D)}$ and $\frac{(E)(F)}{(F)}$ of section 122.658 of	220
the Revised Code;	221
(H) Procedures and requirements for making loans and loan	222
agreements that include at least all of the following:	223
(1) Not more than fifteen per cent of moneys annually	224
allocated to the clean Ohio revitalization fund shall be used for	225
loans.	226
(2) The loans shall be made at or below market rates of	227
interest, including, without limitation, interest-free loans.	228
(3) The recipient of a loan shall identify a source of	229
security and a source of repayment of the loan.	230
(4) All payments of principal and interest on a loan shall be	231

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deposited in the state treasury and credited to the clean Ohio	232
revitalization <u>revolving loan</u> fund.	233
(5) The clean Ohio council may accept notes and other forms	234
of obligation to evidence indebtedness, accept mortgages, liens,	235
pledges, assignments, and other security interests to secure such	236
indebtedness, and take any actions that are considered by the	237
council to be appropriate to protect such security and safeguard	238
against losses, including, without limitation, foreclosure and	239
bidding on the purchase of property upon foreclosure or other	240
sale.	241
(I) Any other policies and requirements that the director	242
determines are necessary for the administration of sections 122.65	243
to 122.658 of the Revised Code.	244
Sec. 122.658. (A) The clean Ohio revitalization fund is	245
hereby created in the state treasury. The fund shall consist of	246 247
moneys credited to it pursuant to section 151.40 of the Revised	
Code and of payments of principal and interest on loans that are	248
made from the fund in accordance with policies and requirements	249
established under section 122.657 of the Revised Code. Moneys in	250
the fund shall be used to make grants or loans for projects that	251
have been approved by the clean Ohio council in accordance with	252
section 122.653 of the Revised Code, except that the council	253
annually shall devote twenty per cent of the net proceeds of	254
obligations deposited in the clean Ohio revitalization fund for	255
the purposes of section 122.656 of the Revised Code.	256
Moneys in the clean Ohio revitalization fund may be used to	257
pay reasonable costs incurred by the department of development and	258
the environmental protection agency in administering sections	259
122.65 to 122.658 of the Revised Code. All investment earnings of	260
the fund shall be credited to the fund. For two years after the	261
effective date of this section July 26, 2001, investment earnings	262

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credited to the clean Ohio revitalization fund may be used to pay	263				
costs incurred by the department of development and the	264				
environmental protection agency pursuant to sections 122.65 to	265				
122.658 of the Revised Code.	266				
The department of development shall administer the clean Ohio	267				
revitalization fund in accordance with this section, policies and	268				
requirements established under section 122.657 of the Revised	269				
Code, and the terms of agreements entered into by the council	270				
under section 122.653 of the Revised Code.	271				
(B) Grants awarded and loans made under section 122.653 of	272				
the Revised Code shall provide not more than seventy-five per cent	273				
of the estimated total cost of a project. A grant or loan to any	274				
one project shall not exceed three million dollars. An applicant	275				
shall provide at least twenty-five per cent of the estimated total	276				
cost of a project. The applicant's share may consist of one or a					
combination of any of the following:	278				
(1) Payment of the cost of acquiring the property for the	279				
purposes of sections 122.65 to 122.658 of the Revised Code;	280				
(2) Payment of the reasonable cost of an assessment at the	281				
property;	282				
(3) The reasonable value, as determined by the council, of	283				
labor and materials that will be contributed by the applicant in	284				
performing the cleanup or remediation;	285				
(4) Moneys received by the applicant in any form for use in	286				
performing the cleanup or remediation;	287				
(5) Loans secured by the applicant for the purpose of the	288				
cleanup or remediation of the brownfield.	289				
Costs that were incurred more than two years prior to the	290				
submission of an application to the clean Ohio council for the	291				
acquisition of property, assessments, and labor and materials	292				
shall not be used as part of the applicant's matching share.	293				

- (C) The department of development shall not make any payment to an applicant from the clean Ohio revitalization fund to pay costs of the applicant that were not included in an application for a grant or loan under section 122.653 of the Revised Code or that exceed the amount of the estimated total cost of the project included in the application. If, upon completion of a project, the costs of the project are less than the amounts included in the application, the amounts included in the application less the amounts of the actual costs of the project shall be credited to the clean Ohio revitalization fund. However, the amounts credited shall be equivalent in percentage to the percentage of the costs of the project that were to be funded by the grant or loan from the fund.
- (D) Grants awarded or loans made under section 122.653 of the Revised Code from the clean Ohio revitalization fund shall be used by an applicant only to pay the costs of the actual cleanup or remediation of a brownfield and shall not be used by an applicant to pay any administrative costs incurred by the applicant. Costs related to the use of a certified professional for purposes of section 122.654 of the Revised Code are not administrative costs and may be paid with moneys from grants awarded or loans made under section 122.653 of the Revised Code.
- (E) The portion of net proceeds of obligations devoted under division (A) of this section for the purposes of section 122.656 of the Revised Code shall be used to make grants for assessments, cleanup or remediation of brownfields, and public health projects that have been approved by the director of development under that section. The department of development shall administer section 122.656 of the Revised Code in accordance with this section, policies and requirements established under section 122.657 of the Revised Code, and the terms of agreements entered into by the director under section 122.656 of the Revised Code. The director

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shall not grant more than twenty-five million dollars for public	326
health projects under section 122.656 of the Revised Code.	327
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(F) Grants awarded under section 122.656 of the Revised Code	329
shall be used by an applicant only to pay the costs of actually	330
conducting an assessment, a cleanup or remediation of a	331
brownfield, or a public health project and shall not be used by an	332
applicant to pay any administrative costs incurred by the	333
applicant. Costs related to the use of a certified professional	334
for purposes of section 122.654 of the Revised Code are not	335
administrative costs and may be paid with moneys from grants	336
awarded under section 122.656 of the Revised Code.	337
(G)(1) The clean Ohio revitalization revolving loan fund is	338
hereby created in the state treasury. Payments of principal and	339
interest on loans made from the clean Ohio revitalization fund	340
shall be credited to this revolving loan fund, as shall payments	341
of principal and interest on loans made from the revolving loan	342
fund itself. The revolving loan fund's investment earnings shall	343
be credited to it.	344
(2) The clean Ohio revitalization revolving loan fund shall	345
be used to make loans for the same purposes and subject to the	346
same policies, requirements, criteria, and application procedures	347
as loans made from the clean Ohio revitalization fund.	348
Sec. 151.01. (A) As used in sections 151.01 to 151.09 and	349
151.40 of the Revised Code and in the applicable bond proceedings	350
unless otherwise provided:	351
(1) "Bond proceedings" means the resolutions, orders,	352
agreements, and credit enhancement facilities, and amendments and	353
supplements to them, or any one or more or combination of them,	354
authorizing, awarding, or providing for the terms and conditions	355
applicable to or providing for the security or liquidity of, the	356

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- (2) "Bond service fund" means the respective bond service 359 fund created by section 151.03, 151.04, 151.05, 151.06, 151.07, 360 151.08, 151.09, or 151.40 of the Revised Code, and any accounts in that fund, including all moneys and investments, and earnings from 362 investments, credited and to be credited to that fund and accounts 363 as and to the extent provided in the applicable bond proceedings. 364
- (3) "Capital facilities" means capital facilities or projects 365 as referred to in section 151.03, 151.04, 151.05, 151.06, 151.07, 366 151.08, 151.09, or 151.40 of the Revised Code. 367
- (4) "Costs of capital facilities" means the costs of acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, rehabilitating, remodeling, renovating, enlarging, improving, equipping, or furnishing capital facilities, and of the financing of those costs. "Costs of capital facilities" includes, without limitation, and in addition to costs referred to in section 151.03, 151.04, 151.05, 151.06, 151.07, 151.08, 151.09, or 151.40 of the Revised Code, the cost of clearance and preparation of the site and of any land to be used in connection with capital facilities, the cost of any indemnity and surety bonds and premiums on insurance, all related direct administrative expenses and allocable portions of direct costs of the issuing authority, costs of engineering and architectural services, designs, plans, specifications, surveys, and estimates of cost, financing costs, interest on obligations from their date to the time when interest is to be paid from sources other than proceeds of obligations, amounts necessary to establish any reserves as required by the bond proceedings, the reimbursement of all moneys advanced or applied by or borrowed from any person or governmental agency or entity for the payment of any item of costs of capital facilities, and all other expenses necessary or incident to planning or determining feasibility or

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practicability with respect to capital facilities, and such other expenses as may be necessary or incident to the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, remodeling, renovation, enlargement, improvement, equipment, and furnishing of capital facilities, the financing of those costs, and the placing of the capital facilities in use and operation, including any one, part of, or combination of those classes of costs and expenses.

- (5) "Credit enhancement facilities," "financing costs," and 396 "interest" or "interest equivalent" have the same meanings as in 397 section 133.01 of the Revised Code. 398
- (6) "Debt service" means principal, including any mandatory sinking fund or redemption requirements for retirement of obligations, interest and other accreted amounts, interest equivalent, and any redemption premium, payable on obligations. If not prohibited by the applicable bond proceedings, debt service includes costs relating to credit enhancement facilities that are related to and represent, or are intended to provide a source of payment of or limitation on, other debt service.
- (7) "Issuing authority" means the Ohio public facilities commission created in section 151.02 of the Revised Code for obligations issued under section 151.03, 151.04, 151.05, 151.07, or 151.09 of the Revised Code, or the treasurer of state, or the officer who by law performs the functions of that office, for obligations issued under section 151.06, 151.08, or 151.40 of the Revised Code.
- (8) "Net proceeds" means amounts received from the sale of obligations, excluding amounts used to refund or retire outstanding obligations, amounts required to be deposited into special funds pursuant to the applicable bond proceedings, and amounts to be used to pay financing costs.
 - (9) "Obligations" means bonds, notes, or other evidences of

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- (10) "Principal amount" means the aggregate of the amount as stated or provided for in the applicable bond proceedings as the amount on which interest or interest equivalent on particular obligations is initially calculated. Principal amount does not include any premium paid to the state by the initial purchaser of the obligations. "Principal amount" of a capital appreciation bond, as defined in division (C) of section 3334.01 of the Revised Code, means its face amount, and "principal amount" of a zero coupon bond, as defined in division (J) of section 3334.01 of the Revised Code, means the discounted offering price at which the bond is initially sold to the public, disregarding any purchase price discount to the original purchaser, if provided for pursuant to the bond proceedings.
- (11) "Special funds" or "funds," unless the context indicates otherwise, means the bond service fund, and any other funds, including any reserve funds, created under the bond proceedings and stated to be special funds in those proceedings, including moneys and investments, and earnings from investments, credited and to be credited to the particular fund. Special funds do not include the school building program assistance fund created by section 3318.25 of the Revised Code, the higher education improvement fund created by division (F) of section 154.21 of the Revised Code, the highway capital improvement bond fund created by section 5528.53 of the Revised Code, the state parks and natural resources fund created by section 1557.02 of the Revised Code, the coal research and development fund created by section 1555.15 of the Revised Code, the clean Ohio conservation fund created by section 164.27 of the Revised Code, the clean Ohio revitalization fund created by section 122.658 of the Revised Code, or other

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452 funds created by the bond proceedings that are not stated by those 453 proceedings to be special funds.

(B) Subject to Section 21, 2m, 2n, 2o, or 15, and Section 17, 454 of Article VIII, Ohio Constitution, the state, by the issuing 455 authority, is authorized to issue and sell, as provided in 456 sections 151.03 to 151.09 or 151.40 of the Revised Code, and in 457 respective aggregate principal amounts as from time to time 458 provided or authorized by the general assembly, general 459 obligations of this state for the purpose of paying costs of 460 capital facilities or projects identified by or pursuant to 461 general assembly action. 462

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(C) Each issue of obligations shall be authorized by resolution or order of the issuing authority. The bond proceedings shall provide for or authorize the manner for determining the principal amount or maximum principal amount of obligations of an issue, the principal maturity or maturities, the interest rate or rates, the date of and the dates of payment of interest on the obligations, their denominations, and the place or places of payment of debt service which may be within or outside the state. Unless otherwise provided by law, the latest principal maturity may not be later than the earlier of the thirty-first day of December of the twenty-fifth calendar year after the year of issuance of the particular obligations or of the twenty-fifth calendar year after the year in which the original obligation to pay was issued or entered into. Sections 9.96, 9.98, 9.981, 9.982, and 9.983 of the Revised Code apply to obligations. The purpose of the obligations may be stated in the bond proceedings in general terms, such as, as applicable, "financing or assisting in the financing of projects as provided in Section 21 of Article VIII, Ohio Constitution, " "financing or assisting in the financing of highway capital improvement projects as provided in Section 2m of Article VIII, Ohio Constitution, " "paying costs of capital

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facilities for a system of common schools throughout the state as authorized by Section 2n of Article VIII, Ohio Constitution," "paying costs of capital facilities for state-supported and state-assisted institutions of higher education as authorized by Section 2n of Article VIII, Ohio Constitution, " "paying costs of coal research and development as authorized by Section 15 of Article VIII, Ohio Constitution, " "financing or assisting in the financing of local subdivision capital improvement projects as authorized by Section 2m of Article VIII, Ohio Constitution," "paying costs of conservation projects as authorized by Section 20 of Article VIII, Ohio Constitution," or "paying costs of revitalization projects as authorized by Section 20 of Article VIII, Ohio Constitution."

- (D) The issuing authority may appoint or provide for the appointment of paying agents, bond registrars, securities depositories, clearing corporations, and transfer agents, and may without need for any other approval retain or contract for the services of underwriters, investment bankers, financial advisers, accounting experts, marketing, remarketing, indexing, and administrative agents, other consultants, and independent contractors, including printing services, as are necessary in the judgment of the issuing authority to carry out the issuing authority's functions under this chapter. When the issuing authority is the Ohio public facilities commission, the issuing authority also may without need for any other approval retain or contract for the services of attorneys and other professionals for that purpose. Financing costs are payable, as may be provided in the bond proceedings, from the proceeds of the obligations, from special funds, or from other moneys available for the purpose.
- (E) The bond proceedings may contain additional provisions 513 customary or appropriate to the financing or to the obligations or 514 to particular obligations including, but not limited to,

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provisions for:	516
(1) The redemption of obligations prior to maturity at the	517
option of the state or of the holder or upon the occurrence of	518
certain conditions, and at particular price or prices and under	519
particular terms and conditions;	520
(2) The form of and other terms of the obligations;	521
(3) The establishment, deposit, investment, and application	522
of special funds, and the safeguarding of moneys on hand or on	523
deposit, in lieu of the applicability of provisions of Chapter	524
131. or 135. of the Revised Code, but subject to any special	525
provisions of sections 151.01 to 151.09 or 151.40 of the Revised	526
Code with respect to the application of particular funds or	527
moneys. Any financial institution that acts as a depository of any	528
moneys in special funds or other funds under the bond proceedings	529
may furnish indemnifying bonds or pledge securities as required by	530
the issuing authority.	531
(4) Any or every provision of the bond proceedings being	532
binding upon the issuing authority and upon such governmental	533
agency or entity, officer, board, commission, authority, agency,	534
department, institution, district, or other person or body as may	535
from time to time be authorized to take actions as may be	536
necessary to perform all or any part of the duty required by the	537
provision;	538
(5) The maintenance of each pledge or instrument comprising	539
part of the bond proceedings until the state has fully paid or	540
provided for the payment of the debt service on the obligations or	541
met other stated conditions;	542
(6) In the event of default in any payments required to be	543
made by the bond proceedings, or by any other agreement of the	544
issuing authority made as part of a contract under which the	545
obligations were issued or secured, including a credit enhancement	546

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facility, the enforcement of those payments by mandamus, a suit in	547
equity, an action at law, or any combination of those remedial	548
actions;	549
(7) The rights and remedies of the holders or owners of	550
obligations or of book-entry interests in them, and of third	551
parties under any credit enhancement facility, and provisions for	552
protecting and enforcing those rights and remedies, including	553
limitations on rights of individual holders or owners;	554
(8) The replacement of mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen	555
obligations;	556
(9) The funding, refunding, or advance refunding, or other	557
provision for payment, of obligations that will then no longer be	558
outstanding for purposes of this section or of the applicable bond	559
proceedings;	560
(10) Amendment of the bond proceedings;	561
(11) Any other or additional agreements with the owners of	562
obligations, and such other provisions as the issuing authority	563
determines, including limitations, conditions, or qualifications,	564
relating to any of the foregoing.	565
(F) The great seal of the state or a facsimile of it may be	566
affixed to or printed on the obligations. The obligations	567
requiring execution by or for the issuing authority shall be	568
signed as provided in the bond proceedings. Any obligations may be	569
signed by the individual who on the date of execution is the	570
authorized signer although on the date of these obligations that	571
individual is not an authorized signer. In case the individual	572
whose signature or facsimile signature appears on any obligation	573
ceases to be an authorized signer before delivery of the	574
obligation, that signature or facsimile is nevertheless valid and	575
sufficient for all purposes as if that individual had remained the	576
authorized signer until delivery.	577

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- (G) Obligations are investment securities under Chapter 1308. of the Revised Code. Obligations may be issued in bearer or in registered form, registrable as to principal alone or as to both principal and interest, or both, or in certificated or uncertificated form, as the issuing authority determines. Provision may be made for the exchange, conversion, or transfer of obligations and for reasonable charges for registration, exchange, conversion, and transfer. Pending preparation of final obligations, the issuing authority may provide for the issuance of interim instruments to be exchanged for the final obligations.
- (H) Obligations may be sold at public sale or at private sale, in such manner, and at such price at, above or below par, all as determined by and provided by the issuing authority in the bond proceedings.
- (I) Except to the extent that rights are restricted by the bond proceedings, any owner of obligations or provider of a credit enhancement facility may by any suitable form of legal proceedings protect and enforce any rights relating to obligations or that facility under the laws of this state or granted by the bond proceedings. Those rights include the right to compel the performance of all applicable duties of the issuing authority and the state. Each duty of the issuing authority and that authority's officers, staff, and employees, and of each state entity or agency, or using district or using institution, and its officers, members, staff, or employees, undertaken pursuant to the bond proceedings, is hereby established as a duty of the entity or individual having authority to perform that duty, specifically enjoined by law and resulting from an office, trust, or station within the meaning of section 2731.01 of the Revised Code. The individuals who are from time to time the issuing authority, members or officers of the issuing authority, or those members' designees acting pursuant to section 154.02 of the Revised Code,

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- (J)(1) Subject to Section 21, 2m, 2n, 2o, or 15, and Section 17, of Article VIII, Ohio Constitution and sections 151.01 to 151.09 or 151.40 of the Revised Code, the issuing authority may, in addition to the authority referred to in division (B) of this section, authorize and provide for the issuance of:
- (a) Obligations in the form of bond anticipation notes, and may provide for the renewal of those notes from time to time by the issuance of new notes. The holders of notes or appertaining interest coupons have the right to have debt service on those notes paid solely from the moneys and special funds that are or may be pledged to that payment, including the proceeds of bonds or renewal notes or both, as the issuing authority provides in the bond proceedings authorizing the notes. Notes may be additionally secured by covenants of the issuing authority to the effect that the issuing authority and the state will do all things necessary for the issuance of bonds or renewal notes in such principal amount and upon such terms as may be necessary to provide moneys to pay when due the debt service on the notes, and apply their proceeds to the extent necessary, to make full and timely payment of debt service on the notes as provided in the applicable bond proceedings. In the bond proceedings authorizing the issuance of bond anticipation notes the issuing authority shall set forth for the bonds anticipated an estimated schedule of annual principal payments the latest of which shall be no later than provided in division (C) of this section. While the notes are outstanding there shall be deposited, as shall be provided in the bond proceedings for those notes, from the sources authorized for payment of debt service on the bonds, amounts sufficient to pay the principal of the bonds anticipated as set forth in that

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estimated schedule during the time the notes are outstanding,
which amounts shall be used solely to pay the principal of those
notes or of the bonds anticipated.

- (b) Obligations for the refunding, including funding and retirement, and advance refunding with or without payment or redemption prior to maturity, of any obligations previously issued. Refunding obligations may be issued in amounts sufficient to pay or to provide for repayment of the principal amount, including principal amounts maturing prior to the redemption of the remaining prior obligations, any redemption premium, and interest accrued or to accrue to the maturity or redemption date or dates, payable on the prior obligations, and related financing costs and any expenses incurred or to be incurred in connection with that issuance and refunding. Subject to the applicable bond proceedings, the portion of the proceeds of the sale of refunding obligations issued under division (J)(1)(b) of this section to be applied to debt service on the prior obligations shall be credited to an appropriate separate account in the bond service fund and held in trust for the purpose by the issuing authority or by a corporate trustee. Obligations authorized under this division shall be considered to be issued for those purposes for which the prior obligations were issued.
- (2) Except as otherwise provided in sections 151.01 to 151.09 or 151.40 of the Revised Code, bonds or notes authorized pursuant to division (J) of this section are subject to the provisions of those sections pertaining to obligations generally.
- (3) The principal amount of refunding or renewal obligations issued pursuant to division (J) of this section shall be in addition to the amount authorized by the general assembly as referred to in division (B) of the following sections: section 151.03, 151.04, 151.05, 151.06, 151.07, 151.08, 151.09, or 151.40 of the Revised Code.

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- (K) Obligations are lawful investments for banks, savings and loan associations, credit union share guaranty corporations, trust companies, trustees, fiduciaries, insurance companies, including domestic for life and domestic not for life, trustees or other officers having charge of sinking and bond retirement or other special funds of the state and political subdivisions and taxing districts of this state, the sinking fund, the administrator of workers' compensation subject to the approval of the workers' compensation board, the state teachers retirement system, the public employees retirement system, the school employees retirement system, and the Ohio police and fire pension fund, notwithstanding any other provisions of the Revised Code or rules adopted pursuant to those provisions by any state agency with respect to investments by them, and are also acceptable as security for the repayment of the deposit of public moneys. The exemptions from taxation in Ohio as provided for in particular sections of the Ohio Constitution and section 5709.76 of the Revised Code apply to the obligations.
- (L)(1) Unless otherwise provided or provided for in any applicable bond proceedings, moneys to the credit of or in a special fund shall be disbursed on the order of the issuing authority. No such order is required for the payment, from the bond service fund or other special fund, when due of debt service or required payments under credit enhancement facilities.
- (2) Payments received by the state under interest rate hedges entered into as credit enhancement facilities under this chapter shall be deposited to the credit of the bond service fund for the obligations to which those credit enhancement facilities relate.
- (M) The full faith and credit, revenue, and taxing power of the state are and shall be pledged to the timely payment of debt service on outstanding obligations as it comes due, all in

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accordance with Section 21, 2m, 2n, 2o, or 15 of Article VIII, Ohio Constitution, and section 151.03, 151.04, 151.05, 151.06, 151.07, 151.08, or 151.09 of the Revised Code. Moneys referred to in Section 5a of Article XII, Ohio Constitution, may not be pledged or used for the payment of debt service except on obligations referred to in section 151.06 of the Revised Code. The state covenants, and that covenant shall be controlling notwithstanding any other provision of law, that the state and the applicable officers and agencies of the state, including the general assembly, shall, so long as any obligations are outstanding in accordance with their terms, maintain statutory authority for and cause to be levied, collected and applied sufficient pledged excises, taxes, and revenues of the state so that the revenues shall be sufficient in amounts to pay debt service when due, to establish and maintain any reserves and other requirements, and to pay financing costs, including costs of or relating to credit enhancement facilities, all as provided for in the bond proceedings. Those excises, taxes, and revenues are and shall be deemed to be levied and collected, in addition to the purposes otherwise provided for by law, to provide for the payment of debt service and financing costs in accordance with sections 151.01 to 151.08 151.09 of the Revised Code and the bond proceedings.

(N) The general assembly may from time to time repeal or reduce any excise, tax, or other source of revenue pledged to the payment of the debt service pursuant to Section 21, 2m, 2n, 2o, or 15 of Article VIII, Ohio Constitution, and sections 151.01 to 151.09 or 151.40 of the Revised Code, and may levy, collect and apply any new or increased excise, tax, or revenue to meet the pledge, to the payment of debt service on outstanding obligations, of the state's full faith and credit, revenue and taxing power, or of designated revenues and receipts, except fees, excises or taxes

- (0) Each bond service fund is a trust fund and is hereby pledged to the payment of debt service on the applicable obligations. Payment of that debt service shall be made or provided for by the issuing authority in accordance with the bond proceedings without necessity for any act of appropriation. The bond proceedings may provide for the establishment of separate accounts in the bond service fund and for the application of those accounts only to debt service on specific obligations, and for other accounts in the bond service fund within the general purposes of that fund.
- (P) Subject to the bond proceedings pertaining to any obligations then outstanding in accordance with their terms, the issuing authority may in the bond proceedings pledge all, or such portion as the issuing authority determines, of the moneys in the bond service fund to the payment of debt service on particular obligations, and for the establishment and maintenance of any reserves for payment of particular debt service.
- (Q) For obligations issued pursuant to sections 151.01 to 151.09 of the Revised Code, the The issuing authority shall by the fifteenth day of the July of each fiscal year, certify or cause to be certified to the office of budget and management the total amount of moneys required during the current fiscal year to meet in full all debt service on the respective obligations and any related financing costs payable from the applicable bond service

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fund and not from the proceeds of refunding or renewal obligations. The issuing authority shall make or cause to be made supplemental certifications to the office of budget and management for each debt service payment date and at such other times during each fiscal year as may be provided in the bond proceedings or requested by that office. Debt service, costs of credit enhancement facilities, and other financing costs shall be set forth separately in each certification. If and so long as the moneys to the credit of the bond service fund, together with any other moneys available for the purpose, are insufficient to meet in full all payments when due of the amount required as stated in the certificate or otherwise, the office of budget and management shall at the times as provided in the bond proceedings, and consistent with any particular provisions in sections 151.03 to 151.09 and 151.40 of the Revised Code, transfer a sufficient amount to the bond service fund from the pledged revenues in the case of obligations issued pursuant to section 151.40 of the Revised Code, and in the case of other obligations from the revenues derived from excises, taxes, and other revenues, including net state lottery proceeds in the case of obligations referred to in section 151.03 of the Revised Code.

- (R) Unless otherwise provided in any applicable bond proceedings, moneys to the credit of special funds may be invested by or on behalf of the state only in one or more of the following:
- (1) Notes, bond, or other direct obligations of the United 794

 States or of any agency or instrumentality of the United States, 795

 or in no-front-end-load money market mutual funds consisting 796

 exclusively of those obligations, or in repurchase agreements, 797

 including those issued by any fiduciary, secured by those 798

 obligations, or in collective investment funds consisting 799

 exclusively of those obligations; 800
 - (2) Obligations of this state or any political subdivision of

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this state;	802
(3) Certificates of deposit of any national bank located in	803
this state and any bank, as defined in section 1101.01 of the	804
Revised Code, subject to inspection by the superintendent of	805
financial institutions;	806
(4) The treasurer of state's pooled investment program under section 135.45 of the Revised Code.	807 808
The income from investments referred to in division (R) of	809
this section shall, unless otherwise provided in sections 151.01	810
to 151.09 or 151.40 of the Revised Code, be credited to special	811
funds or otherwise as the issuing authority determines in the bond	812
proceedings. Those investments may be sold or exchanged at times	813
as the issuing authority determines, provides for, or authorizes.	814
(S) The treasurer of state shall have responsibility for	815
keeping records, making reports, and making payments, relating to	816
any arbitrage rebate requirements under the applicable bond	817
proceedings.	818
Sec. 164.22. Natural resources assistance councils shall	819
review and approve or disapprove applications in accordance with	820
sections 164.20 to 164.27 of the Revised Code for grants for	821
projects that propose to do either of the following:	822
(A) Provide for open space acquisition and related	823
development of those open spaces, including the aquisition	824
<u>acquisition</u> of easements. Open space acquisition projects include	825
acquisition of land or rights in land for parks, forests,	826
wetlands, natural areas that protect an endangered plant or animal	827
population, other natural areas, and connecting corridors for	828
natural areas. Related development projects include projects for	829
the construction or enhancement of facilities that are necessary	830
to make an open space area accessible and useable by the general	831

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public. Projects proposed pursuant to division (A) of this section	832
shall emphasize the following:	833
(1) The support of comprehensive open space planning and	834
incorporation of aesthetically pleasing and ecologically informed	835
design;	836
(2) The enhancement of economic development that relies on	837
recreation and ecotourism in areas with relatively high	838
unemployment and lower incomes;	839
(3) The protection of habitat for rare, threatened, and	840
endangered species or the preservation of high quality, viable	841
habitat for plant and animal species;	842
(4) The preservation of existing high quality wetlands or	843
other scarce natural resources within the geographical	844
jurisdiction of the council;	845
(5) The inclusion of pedestrian or bicycle linkages to other	846
open-space preserves and population centers;	847
(6) The enhancement of educational opportunities and	848
provision of physical links to schools and after-school centers;	849
$\frac{(7)(6)}{(6)}$ The preservation or restoration of water quality,	850
natural stream channels, functioning floodplains, wetlands,	851
streamside forests, and other natural features that contribute to	852
the quality of life in this state and to the state's natural	853
heritage. Projects shall not include hydromodification projects	854
such as dams, dredging, sedimentation, and bank clearing and shall	855
not accelerate untreated water runoff or encourage invasive	856
nonnative species.	857
$\frac{(8)}{(7)}$ The reduction or elimination of nonnative, invasive	858
species of plants or animals;	859
$\frac{(9)(8)}{(8)}$ The proper management of areas where safe fishing,	860
hunting, and trapping may take place in a manner that will	861

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preserve a balanced natural ecosystem.	862
(B) Protect and enhance riparian corridors or watersheds,	863
including the protection and enhancement of streams, rivers,	864
lakes, and other waters of the state. Such projects may include,	865
without limitation, the reforestation of land or the planting of	866
vegetation for filtration purposes; the fee simple acquisition of	867
lands for the purpose of providing access to riparian corridors or	868
watersheds or for other purposes necessary for the protection and	869
enhancement of riparian corridors or watersheds; and the	870
acquisition of easements for the purpose of protecting and	871
enhancing riparian corridors or watersheds. Projects proposed	872
pursuant to division (B) of this section shall emphasize the	873
following:	874
(1) The increase of habitat protection;	875
(2) Inclusion as part of a stream corridor-wide or	876
watershed-wide plan;	877
(3) The provision of multiple recreational, economic, and	878
aesthetic preservation benefits;	879
(4) The preservation or restoration of floodplain and	880
streamside forest functions;	881
(5) The preservation of headwater streams;	882
(6) The restoration and preservation of aquatic biological	883
communities.	884
Projects shall not initiate or perpetuate hydromodification	885
projects such as dams, ditch development, or channelization.	886
Grant moneys may be used for preliminary costs related to	887
projects that are eligible for funding under this section,	888
including planning costs, design costs, engineering costs, costs	889
of appraisals, environmental assessments, and archaeological	890
surveys.	891

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Sec. 164.23. (A) An entity seeking a grant for a project that	892
is eligible for funding under section 164.22 of the Revised Code	893
shall submit an application to the natural resources assistance	894
council with geographical jurisdiction over the proposed project	895
area. Entities that are eligible for funding are limited to local	896
political subdivisions and nonprofit organizations. The director	897
of the Ohio public works commission shall develop the form of the	898
application and shall provide application forms to each council.	899
The application shall require at least all of the following:	900
(1) An identification of the local political subdivision or	901
nonprofit organization that is responsible for the execution and	902
completion of the proposed project;	903
(2) A detailed description of the proposed project;	904
(3) An identification of the areas that are proposed to be	905
protected, restored, preserved, or constructed;	906
(4) Detailed information concerning the practices and	907
procedures that will be undertaken to complete the project;	908
(5) A formal detailed estimate of the project's cost;	909
(6) The amount and nature of the moneys or resources to be	910
used as matching funds for the project. Matching funds shall	911
constitute not less than twenty-five per cent of the total cost of	912
the project and may consist of contributions of money by any	913
person, any local political subdivision, or the federal government	914
or of contributions in-kind by such parties through the purchase	915
or donation of equipment, land, easements, labor, or materials	916
necessary to complete the project.	917
(7) An identification of any participation by state agencies	918
that may have expertise regarding the particular project and that	919
may provide assistance with respect to the project;	920

(8) Information concerning the coordination of the project

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among local political subdivisions, state agencies, federal	922
agencies, community organizations, conservation organizations, and	923
local business groups;	924
(9) Information about any coordination that the project will	925
have with projects being undertaken under the jurisdiction of	926
other natural resources assistance councils throughout the state	927
under sections 164.20 to 164.27 of the Revised Code or with	928
projects being undertaken under sections 122.65 to 122.658 of the	929
Revised Code;	930
(10) Information about public participation in the planning	931
and execution of the project;	932
(11) Information about whether the general public will be	933
given access to the project area upon the completion of the	934
project;	935
(12) A timetable for completion of the proposed project.	936
(B) In addition to the application required under division	937
(A) of this section, an applicant for a grant for a project shall	938
include with the application all of the following:	939
(1) Except as otherwise provided in division (C) of this	940
section, a copy of a resolution supporting the project from each	941
county in which the proposed project is to be conducted and	942
whichever of the following is applicable:	943
(a) If the proposed project is to be conducted wholly within	944
the geographical boundaries of one township, a copy of a	945
resolution supporting the project from the township;	946
(b) If the proposed project is to be conducted wholly within	947
the geographical boundaries of one municipal corporation, a copy	948
of a resolution supporting the project from the municipal	949
corporation;	950
(c) If the proposed project is to be conducted in more than	951

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agricultural easement fund created in section 901.21 of the	1046
Revised Code, the rules shall establish all of the following:	1047
(a) Procedures for all of the following:	1048
(i) Soliciting and accepting applications for matching	1049
grants;	1050
(ii) Participation by local governments and by the public in	1051
the process of making matching grants to charitable organizations;	1052
(iii) Notifying local governments, charitable organizations,	1053
and organizations that represent the interests of farmers of the	1054
ranking system established in rules adopted under division	1055
(A)(1)(b) of this section.	1056
(b) A ranking system for applications for the matching grants	1057
that is based on the soil type, proximity of the land or other	1058
land that is conducive to agriculture as defined by rules adopted	1059
under this section and that is the subject of an application to	1060
other agricultural land or other land that is conducive to	1061
agriculture as defined by rules adopted under this section and	1062
that is already or is in the process of becoming permanently	1063
protected from development, farm stewardship, development	1064
pressure, and, if applicable, a local comprehensive land use plan	1065
involved with a proposed agricultural easement. The rules shall	1066
require that preference be given to proposed agricultural	1067
easements that involve the greatest proportion of all of the	1068
following:	1069
(i) Prime soils, unique or locally important soils,	1070
microclimates, or similar features;	1071
(ii) Land that is adjacent to or that is in close proximity	1072
to other agricultural land or other land that is conducive to	1073
agriculture as defined by rules adopted under this section and	1074
that is already or is in the process of becoming permanently	1075
protected from development, by agricultural easement or otherwise,	1076

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so that a buffer would exist between the land involving the	1077
proposed agricultural easement and areas that have been developed	1078
or likely will be developed for purposes other than agriculture;	1079
(iii) The use of best management practices, including	1080
federally or state approved conservation plans, and a history of	1081
substantial compliance with applicable federal and state laws;	1082
(iv) Development pressure that is imminent, but not a result	1083
of current location in the direct path of urban development;	1084
(\mathbf{v}) Areas identified for agricultural protection in local	1085
comprehensive land use plans.	1086
(c) Any other criteria that the director determines are	1087
necessary for selecting applications for matching grants;	1088
(d) Requirements regarding the information that must be	1089
included in the annual monitoring report that must be prepared for	1090
an agricultural easement under division (D)(2) of section 5301.691	1091
of the Revised Code, procedures for submitting a copy of the	1092
report to the office of farmland preservation in the department of	1093
agriculture, and requirements and procedures governing corrective	1094
actions that may be necessary to enforce the terms of the	1095
agricultural easement.	1096
(2) Establish provisions that shall be included in the	1097
instrument conveying to a municipal corporation, county, township,	1098
or charitable organization any agricultural easement purchased	1099
with matching grant funds provided by the director under this	1100
section, including, without limitation, all of the following	1101
provisions:	1102
(a) A provision stating that an easement so purchased may be	1103
extinguished only if an unexpected change in the conditions of or	1104
surrounding the land that is subject to the easement makes	1105
impossible or impractical the continued use of the land for the	1106
purposes described in the easement, or if the requirements of the	1107

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administer a program to make matching grants under this section	1139
and monitor those grants.	1140
(B) The director may develop guidelines regarding the	1141
acquisition of agricultural easements by the department of	1142
agriculture and the provisions of instruments conveying those	1143
easements. The director may make the guidelines available to	1144
public and private entities authorized to acquire and hold	1145
agricultural easements.	1146
(C) The director may provide technical assistance in	1147
developing a program for the acquisition and monitoring of	1148
agricultural easements to public and private entities authorized	1149
to hold agricultural easements. The technical assistance may	1150
include, without limitation, reviewing and providing advisory	1151
recommendations regarding draft instruments conveying agricultural	1152
easements.	1153
(D) The director may make matching grants from the	1154
agricultural easement purchase fund and the clean Ohio	1155
agricultural easement fund to municipal corporations, counties,	1156
townships, and charitable organizations described in division (B)	1157
of section 5301.69 of the Revised Code, to assist those political	1158
subdivisions and charitable organizations in purchasing	1159
agricultural easements. Application for a matching grant shall be	1160
made on forms prescribed and provided by the director. The	1161
matching grants shall be made in compliance with the criteria and	1162
procedures established in rules adopted under this section.	1163
Instruments conveying agricultural easements purchased with	1164
matching grant funds provided under this section, at a minimum,	1165
shall include the mandatory provisions set forth in those rules.	1166
Matching grants made under this division using moneys from	1167
the clean Ohio agricultural easement fund created in section	1168
901.21 of the Revised Code may provide up to seventy-five per cent	1169
of the value of an agricultural easement as determined by a	1170

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agricultural easements;	1202	
(f) The amount of state matching grant moneys used to	1203	
purchase the agricultural easements.	1204	
(2) The report also shall consider and include, at a minimum,	1205	
the following information for each county to determine the	1206	
<pre>program's efficiency:</pre>	1207	
(a) The total number of acres in the county;	1208	
(b) The total number of acres in current agricultural use;	1209	
(c) The total number of acres preserved for agricultural use	1210	
in the preceding year;	1211	
(d) The average cost, per acre, of land preserved for	1212	
agricultural use in the preceding year.	1213	
Sec. 5301.691. (A)(1) Subject to divisions (A)(2) and (E) of	1214	
this section, the director of agriculture, with moneys credited to	1215	
the agricultural easement purchase fund created in section 901.21	1216	
of the Revised Code, may purchase agricultural easements in the	1217	
name of the state.	1218	
(2) Not less than thirty days prior to the acquisition of an	1219	
agricultural easement under division (A)(1) of this section or the	1220	
extinguishment of such an easement purchased under that division,	1221	
the director shall provide written notice of the intention to do	1222	
so to the board of county commissioners of the county in which the	1223	
land that is or is proposed to be subject to the easement or	1224	
extinguishment is located, and either to the legislative authority	1225	
of the municipal corporation in which the land is located, if it	1226	
is located in an incorporated area, or to the board of township	1227	
trustees of the township in which the land is located, if it is	1228	
located in an unincorporated area. If, within thirty days after	1229	
the director provides the notice, the board of county	1230	
commissioners, legislative authority, or board of township	1231	

trustees requests an informational meeting with the director	1232
regarding the proposed acquisition or extinguishment, the director	1233
shall meet with the legislative authority or board to respond to	1234
the board's or authority's questions and concerns. If a meeting is	1235
timely requested under division (A)(2) of this section, the	1236
director shall not undertake the proposed acquisition or	1237
extinguishment until after the meeting has been concluded.	1238

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The director, upon the director's own initiative and prior to the purchase of an agricultural easement under division (A)(1) of this section or the extinguishment of such an easement, may hold an informational meeting with the board of county commissioners and the legislative authority of the municipal corporation or board of township trustees in which land that would be affected by the proposed acquisition or extinguishment is located, to respond to any questions and concerns of the board or authority regarding the proposed acquisition or extinguishment.

- (B)(1) Subject to division (E) of this section, the 1248 legislative authority of a municipal corporation, board of county 1249 commissioners of a county, or board of trustees of a township, 1250 with moneys in the political subdivision's general fund not 1251 required by law or charter to be used for other specified purposes 1252 or with moneys in a special fund of the political subdivision to 1253 be used for the purchase of agricultural easements, may purchase 1254 agricultural easements in the name of the municipal corporation, 1255 county, or township. 1256
- (2) Subject to division (E) of this section, the legislative 1257 authority of a municipal corporation, board of county 1258 commissioners of a county, or board of township trustees of a 1259 township may acquire agricultural easements by gift, devise, or 1260 bequest. Any terms may be included in an agricultural easement so 1261 acquired that are necessary or appropriate to preserve on behalf 1262 of the grantor of the easement the favorable tax consequences of 1263

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the gift, devise, or bequest under the "Internal Revenue Act of	1264
1986, " 100 Stat. 2085, 26 U.S.C.A. 1, as amended.	1265
(C)(1) The term of an agricultural easement purchased wholly	1266
or in part with money from the agricultural easement purchase fund	1267
shall be perpetual and shall run with the land.	1268
(2) The term of an agricultural easement purchased by such a	1269
legislative authority or board without the use of any money from	1270
the agricultural easement purchase fund may be perpetual or for a	1271
specified period. The agricultural easement shall run with the	1272
land. The instrument conveying an agricultural easement for a	1273
specified period shall include provisions specifying, at a	1274
minimum, all of the following:	1275
(a) The consideration to be paid for the easement and manner	1276
of payment;	1277
(b) Whether the easement is renewable and, if so, procedures	1278
for its renewal;	1279
(c) The circumstances under which the easement may be	1280
extinguished;	1281
(d) The method for determining the amount of money, if any,	1282
due the holder of the easement upon extinguishment and for payment	1283
of that amount to the holder.	1284
(D)(1) The director and each legislative authority of a	1285
municipal corporation, board of county commissioners, or board of	1286
township trustees, upon acquiring an agricultural easement by	1287
purchase, gift, devise, or bequest under this section or section	1288
901.21 of the Revised Code, shall name an appropriate	1289
administrative officer, department, or division to supervise and	1290
enforce the easement. A legislative authority or board may enter	1291
into a contract with the board of park commissioners of a park	1292
district established under Chapter 1545. of the Revised Code, the	1293
board of park commissioners of a township park district	1294

1295 established under section 511.18 of the Revised Code, or the board 1296 of supervisors of a soil and water conservation district 1297 established under Chapter 1515. of the Revised Code having 1298 territorial jurisdiction within the municipal corporation, county, 1299 or township, or with a charitable organization described in 1300 division (B) of section 5301.69 of the Revised Code, to supervise 1301 on behalf of the legislative authority or board an agricultural 1302 easement so acquired. The contract may be entered into on such 1303 terms as are agreeable to the parties and shall specify or 1304 prescribe a method for determining the amounts of any payments to 1305 be made by the legislative authority or board of county 1306 commissioners or township trustees for the performance of the 1307 contract.

- (2) With respect to an agricultural easement purchased with a 1308 matching grant that is made under division (D) of section 901.22 1309 of the Revised Code and that consists in whole or in part of 1310 moneys from the clean Ohio agricultural easement fund created in 1311 section 901.21 of the Revised Code, the recipient of the matching 1312 grant shall make an annual monitoring visit to the land that is 1313 the subject of the easement. The purpose of the visit is to ensure 1314 that no development that is prohibited by the terms of the 1315 easement has occurred or is occurring. In accordance with rules 1316 adopted under division (A)(1)(d) of section 901.22 of the Revised 1317 Code, the grant recipient shall prepare a written annual 1318 monitoring report and submit it to the office of farmland 1319 preservation in the department of agriculture. If necessary to 1320 1321 enforce the terms of the easement, the grant recipient shall take corrective action in accordance with those rules. The director may 1322 agree to share these monitoring and enforcement responsibilities 1323 with the grant recipient. 1324
- (E) The director; a municipal corporation, county, or 1325 township; or a charitable organization described in division (B) 1326

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instrument conveying an agricultural easement to any person or to	1359
a municipal corporation, county, or township or of an instrument	1360
extinguishing an agricultural easement held by any person or such	1361
a political subdivision, the county recorder shall mail, by	1362
regular mail, a photocopy of the instrument to the office of	1363
farmland preservation in the department of agriculture. The	1364
photocopy shall be accompanied by an invoice for the applicable	1365
fee established in section 317.32 of the Revised Code. Promptly	1366
after receiving the photocopy and invoice, the office of farmland	1367
preservation shall remit the fee to the county recorder.	1368
(H) The director, the legislative authority of a municipal	1369
corporation, a board of county commissioners, or a board of	1370
township trustees may receive and expend grants from any public or	1371
private source for the purpose of purchasing agricultural	1372
easements and supervising and enforcing them.	1373
Section 2. That existing sections 122.651, 122.657, 122.658,	1374
151.01, 164.22, 164.23, 901.22, and 5301.691 of the Revised Code	1375
are hereby repealed.	1376
Section 3. That Sections 4, 6, and 7 of Am. Sub. H.B. 3 of	1377
the 124th General Assembly be amended to read as follows:	1378
"Sec. 4. All items in this section are hereby appropriated as	1379
designated out of any moneys in the state treasury to the credit	1380
of the Clean Ohio Conservation Fund (Fund 056). The appropriations	1381
made in this act Am. Sub. H.B. 3 of the 124th General Assembly are	1382
in addition to any other capital appropriations made for the	1383
2000-2002 biennium.	1384
PWC PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION	1385
Clean Ohio Conservation Fund	1386
056 CAP-152 Clean Ohio Conservation \$ 37,500,000	1387

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TOTAL 056 Clean Ohio Conservation Fund	\$	37,500,000	1388
TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS	\$	37,500,000	1389
CLEAN OHIO CONSERVATION			1390
The foregoing appropriation item CAP-1	52, Clean	Ohio	1391
Conservation, shall be used in accordance w	ith sectio	ns 164.20 to	1392
164.27 of the Revised Code. The Director of the Public Works			1393
Commission may certify to the Director of B	udget and	Management	1394
that a need exists to appropriate investmen	t earnings	to be used	1395
in accordance with sections 164.20 to 164.2	7 of the R	evised Code.	1396
If the Director of Budget and Management de	termines p	ursuant to	1397
sections 164.12 and 164.27 of the Revised C	ode that i	nvestment	1398
earnings are available to support additiona	l appropri	ations, such	1399
amounts are hereby appropriated.			1400
Within the limits set forth in this ac	t Am. Sub.	H.B. 3 of	1401
the 124th General Assembly, the Director of Budget and Management			1402
shall establish accounts indicating source and amount of funds for			1403
each appropriation made in this act Am. Sub. H.B. 3 of the 124th			1404
General Assembly, and shall determine the form and manner in which			1405
appropriation accounts shall be maintained. Expenditures from			1406
appropriations contained in this act Am. Su	b. н.в. 3	of the 124th	1407
General Assembly shall be accounted for as though made in Am. Sub.			1408
H.B. 640 of the 123rd General Assembly.			1409
The appropriations made in this act Am	. Sub. H.E	3. 3 of the	1410
124th General Assembly are subject to all p	rovisions	of Am. Sub.	1411
H.B. 640 of the 123rd General Assembly that	are gener	al applicable	1412
to such appropriations.			1413
Notwithstanding section 126.14 of the	Revised Co	de,	1414
appropriations from the Clean Ohio Conserva	tion Fund	(Fund 056) to	1415
the Public Works Commission shall be releas	ed upon pr	esentation of	1416
a request to release the funds, by the Publ	<u>ic Works C</u>	commission, to	1417
the Director of Budget and Management.			1418

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Sec. 6. All items in this section are hereby appropriated as			1419
designated out of any moneys in the state treasury to the credit			1420
of the Clean Ohio Trail Fund (Fund 058 <u>061</u>)). The appro	priations	1421
made in this act are in addition to any oth	ner capital		1422
appropriations made for the 2000-2002 bienr	nium.		1423
DNR DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL F	RESOURCES		1424
Clean Ohio Trail Fund			1425
058 CAP-014 Clean Ohio Trail	\$	6,250,000	1426
<u>061</u>			
TOTAL 058 061 Clean Ohio Trail Fund	`\$	6,250,000	1427
TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS	\$	6,250,000	1428
CLEAN OHIO TRAIL			1429
The foregoing appropriation item CAP-(014, Clean O	hio Trail,	1430
shall be used in accordance with section 1519.05 of the Revised			1431
Code. The Director of the Department of Nat	tural Resour	ces may	1432
certify to the Director of Budget and Management that a need			1433
exists to appropriate investment earnings to be used in accordance			1434
with section 1519.05 of the Revised Code. If the Director of			1435
Budget and Management determines pursuant to section 1519.05 of			1436
the Revised Code that investment earnings are available to support			1437
additional appropriations, such amounts are hereby appropriated.			1438
Within the limits set forth in this ac	ct, the Dire	ctor of	1439
Budget and Management shall establish accou	unts indicat	ing source	1440
and amount of funds for each appropriation made in this act, and			1441
shall determine the form and manner in which	ch appropria	tion	1442
accounts shall be maintained. Expenditures	accounts shall be maintained. Expenditures from appropriations		
contained in this act shall be accounted for as though made in Am.			1444
Sub. H.B. 640 of the 123rd General Assembly.			1445
The appropriations made in this act ar	re subject t	o all	1446
provisions of Am. Sub. H.B. 640 of the 1231	rd General A	ssembly that	1447
are generally applicable to such appropriat	cions.		1448

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Sec. 7. All items in this section are hereby appropriated as 14	149
designated out of any moneys in the state treasury to the credit 14	150
of the Clean Ohio Trail Fund (Fund $058 \ \underline{061}$). For all	151
appropriations made in this act, those in the first column are for 14	152
fiscal year 2002 and those in the second column are for fiscal	153
year 2003. The appropriations made in this act are in addition to 14	154
any other appropriations made for the 2001-2003 biennium.	155
DNR DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES 14	156
Clean Ohio Trail Fund 14	157
058 725-405 Clean Ohio - Operating \$ 150,000 \$ 155,000 14	158
<u>061</u>	
TOTAL 058 061 Clean Ohio Trail Fund \$ 150,000 \$ 155,000 14	159
TOTAL ALL BUDGET FUND GROUPS \$ 150,000 \$ 155,000 14	160
CLEAN OHIO - OPERATING 14	161
The foregoing appropriations item 725-405, Clean Ohio - 14	162
Operating, shall be used by the Ohio Department of Natural	163
Resources in administering section 1519.05 of the Revised Code. 14	164
Within the limits set forth in this act, the Director of 14	165
Budget and Management shall establish accounts indicating source 14	166
and amount of funds for each appropriation made in this act, and 14	167
shall determine the form and manner in which appropriation 14	168
accounts shall be maintained. Expenditures from appropriations 14	169
contained in this act shall be accounted for as though made in Am. 14	170
Sub. H.B. 94 of the 124th General Assembly.	171
The appropriations made in this act are subject to all 14	172
provisions of Am. Sub. H.B. 94 of the 124th General Assembly that 14	173
are generally applicable to such appropriations."	174
Section 4. That existing Sections 4, 6, and 7 of Am. Sub.	175
H.B. 3 of the 124th General Assembly are hereby repealed.	176

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Section 5. On the effective date of this section or as soon	1477
as possible thereafter, the Director of Budget and Management	1478
shall transfer \$9,812.73 in cash from the State Accounting Fund	1479
(Fund 105) to the Traffic Safety Fund (Fund 832). The transfer	1480
will reimburse the Traffic Safety Fund for cash intercepted by the	1481
Internal Revenue Service for an assessment unrelated to the	1482
Traffic Safety Fund or the Department of Public Safety.	1483
Section 6. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the	1484
contrary, not later than June 30, 2002, the Director of Budget and	1485
Management shall transfer up to \$3,000,000 in cash from General	1486
Revenue Fund appropriation item 035-407, Legislative Task Force on	1487
Redistricting, under the budget of the Legislative Service	1488
Commission to General Services Fund 106, appropriation item	1489
055-612, General Reimbursement, under the budget of the Office of	1490

the Attorney General. The amount transferred is hereby

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appropriated.