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A BILL

То	amend sections 9.98, 9.981, 9.982, 122.63, 133.01,	1
	133.08, 133.081, 133.10, 135.80, 135.81, 149.43,	2
	169.05, 173.08, 175.08, 175.09, 175.21, 175.22,	3
	175.23, 175.24, 175.25, 175.26, 176.05, 176.06,	4
	176.07, 319.63, 1349.11, and 4582.54, to amend,	5
	for the purpose of adopting new section numbers as	6
	indicated in parentheses, sections 175.08	7
	(175.09), 175.09 (175.10), 175.21 (174.02), 175.22	8
	(174.03), 175.23 (174.04), 175.24 (174.05), 175.25	9
	(174.06), and 175.26 (174.07), to enact new	10
	sections 175.01 to 175.08 and 175.11 to 175.13 and	11
	sections 174.01 and 175.051, and to repeal	12
	sections 175.01, 175.02, 175.03, 175.04, 175.041,	13
	175.05, 175.06, 175.07, 175.10, 175.11, 175.12,	14
	175.13, 175.14, and 175.15 of the Revised Code to	15
	remove the Ohio Housing Finance Agency from the	16
	Department of Development, making the Ohio Housing	17
	Finance Agency an independent agency, and to make	18

Code:

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other changes to the Ohio Housing Finance Agency	19
Law; to make certain alternate provisions of the	20
bond issuance law applicable to bonds issued under	21
the Uniform Public Securities Law, to amend the	22
definition of interest rate hedge to allow a	23
requirement that an issuer issue bonds at a future	24
date, and to add to certain financing and credit	25
enhancement techniques applicable to bonds,	26
authority for the bond proceedings to provide for	27
the proceeds from the sale of bonds to be held in	28
escrow and invested in United States government	29
securities and used for the purpose of retiring	30
the bonds or other obligations of the bond issuer;	31
and to authorize certain port authorities to	32
establish linked deposit programs and participate	33
in the Housing Linked Deposit Program.	34

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

Section 1. That sections 9.98, 9.981, 9.982, 122.63, 133.01,	35
133.08, 133.081, 133.10, 135.80, 135.81, 149.43, 169.05, 173.08,	36
175.08, 175.09, 175.21, 175.22, 175.23, 175.24, 175.25, 175.26,	37
176.05, 176.06, 176.07, 319.63, 1349.11, and 4582.54 be amended,	38
sections 175.08 (175.09), 175.09 (175.10),175.21 (174.02), 175.22	39
(174.03), 175.23 (174.04) , 175.24 (174.05) , 175.25 (174.06) , and	40
175.26 (174.07) be amended for the purpose of adopting new section	41
numbers as indicated in parentheses, and new sections 175.01,	42
175.02, 175.03, 175.04, 175.05, 175.06, 175.07, 175.08, 175.11,	43
175.12, and 175.13 and sections 174.01 and 175.051 of the Revised	44
Code be enacted to read as follows:	45

Sec. 9.98. As used in sections 9.98 to 9.983 of the Revised

- (A) "Absolute obligor" means the person, other than the
 issuer, ultimately responsible under a loan agreement, lease, or
 sale or installment sale agreement, or other contract with the
 issuer to make payments necessary to provide adequate moneys to
 meet the debt service on the bonds, whether or not such payments
 are also provided for pursuant to a credit facility.

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- (B) "Administrative agent" means a bank, trust company, or 54 other person which has responsibility for authenticating, 55 delivering, or redeeming commercial paper on behalf of the issuer. 56
- (C) "Agent" means, as applicable, one or more of the persons 57 who are administrative agents, indexing agents, remarketing 58 agents, or other persons having responsibility for performing 59 functions with respect to floating rate interest structures or put 60 arrangements arrangements. 61
- (D) "Bonds" means bonds, notes, or other obligations 62 evidencing the borrowing of money, whether or not interest 63 bearing, or in coupon, registered, or book entry form, and 64 includes, as appropriate, coupons or interest, if any, pertaining 65 thereto.
- (E) "Bond proceedings" means resolutions, ordinances, orders, 67 trust agreements, indentures, and bonds, loan, sale, or 68 installment sale agreements, agreements with administrative, 69 indexing, or remarketing agents, and agreements pertaining to 70 credit facilities, interest rate hedges, and put arrangements, 71 which authorize or provide for the terms, security, liquidity, 72 issuance, marketing, remarketing, delivery, carrying, redemption, 73 or payment of bonds, or the investment of moneys pertaining to 74 bonds. 75
- (F) "Commercial paper" means bonds with one or more 76
 maturities of three hundred sixty-five days or less which, under 77
 the bond proceedings, are expected to be funded by the issuance of 78

dditional bonds with maturities of three hundred sixty-five days	
less, whether or not ultimately to be funded with long term	
onds.	

- (G) "Credit facility" means letters of credit, lines of 82 credit, stand-by, contingent, or firm bond purchase agreements, 83 insurance or surety arrangements, and guarantees, and other 84 arrangements which provide for direct payment of debt service on 85 bonds, for security or for additional security in the event of 86 nonpayment or default in respect of bonds, or for making payment 87 to bondholders under put arrangements, or for otherwise supporting 88 the credit or liquidity of the bonds, and includes credit, 89 reimbursement, subrogation, and other agreements and arrangements 90 for reimbursement, and security for the reimbursement, of the 91 person providing the credit facility. 92
- (H) "Debt service" means the principal, interest, and93redemption premium payments, and any deposits pertaining thereto,required with respect to bonds.95
- (I) "Floating rate interest structure" means provisions in 96 the bond proceedings whereby the interest rate or rates payable on 97 the bonds, or upon successive series of commercial paper, vary 98 from time to time pursuant to or in relation to an index provided 99 by an indexing agent or otherwise established, a formula, base, 100 publicly announced rate, yields on other obligations, 101 determinations of an agent, or any one or combination of the 102 foregoing, with or without approval or consent of the absolute 103 obligor or issuer as provided in the bond proceedings. 104
- (J) "Indexing agent" means a person with responsibility for 105 establishing, adjusting and maintaining an index of interest rates 106 or yields for purposes of a floating rate interest structure. 107
- (K) "Interest rate period" means that period of time during 108 which an interest rate or rates established under a floating rate 109

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(D) Sections 9.98 to 9.983 of the Revised Code shall be	170
liberally construed to permit flexibility in the arrangements	171
therein provided to enhance the issuance of such bonds and provide	172
for terms most beneficial and satisfactory to the persons which	173
undertake to provide for their payment, security, and liquidity.	174
Sec. 9.982. (A) The bond proceedings for bonds referred to in	175
division (A) or (B) of section 9.981 of the Revised Code may	176
provide for one or more of the following:	177
(1) Floating rate interest structures, which may, but need	178
not be, limited to maximum rates, with interest periods which may	179
be fixed or vary from time to time and which may contemporaneously	180
differ for portions of the bonds;	181
(2) Put arrangements, with times for puts fixed or varying	182
from time to time and which may contemporaneously differ for	183
portions of the bonds, which puts, when accompanied by remarketing	184
arrangements, shall not constitute the discharge of the bonds so	185
put, and which remarketing shall be a continuation of the original	186
obligation represented by the put bonds and not a reissuance or	187
new issuance of bonds;	188
(3) Special interest payment dates related to the floating	189
rate interest structure or put arrangements, different from	190
interest payment dates otherwise provided by law;	191
(4) Conversion of terms between floating and fixed interest	192
rates, between different interest rate periods, and between	193
different dates for exercising put arrangements, and for	194
termination of put arrangements, floating rate interest	195
structures, and credit facilities, upon stated conditions	196
occurring or upon the direction of the absolute obligor, or the	197

issuer, or other person providing the credit facility;

(5) Issuance of the bonds as commercial paper pursuant to

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9.981 of the Revised Code may provide for one or more of the	231
following:	232
(1) Credit facilities;	233
(2) Agreements with indexing agents, remarketing agents, and	234
administrative agents, and for substitutions for such agents,	235
including substitution directed by the absolute obligor, or the	236
person providing the credit facility, or the issuer;	237
(3) Interest rate hedges.	238
(C) Financing statements and continuation statements	239
pertaining to the security for the bonds, or to the security for	240
payments under loan agreements, leases, and sale and installment	241
sale agreements pertaining to bonds referred to in division (A) or	242
(B) of section 9.981 of the Revised Code may be filed, amended,	243
and continued under Chapter 1309. of the Revised Code, and shall	244
have the effect provided in Chapter 1309. of the Revised Code, but	245
whether or not so filed, amended, or continued, the security	246
otherwise provided for under the law authorizing such bonds is not	247
impaired or diminished.	248
Sec. 122.63. The department of development shall:	249
(A) Provide technical assistance to sponsors, homeowners,	250
private developers, contractors, and other appropriate persons on	251
matters relating to housing needs and the development,	252
construction, financing, operation, management, and evaluation of	253
housing developments;	254
(B) Carry out continuing studies and analyses of the housing	255
needs of this state and, after conducting public hearings, prepare	256
annually a plan of housing needs, primarily for the use of the	257
department pursuant to Chapter 128. of the Revised Code . The plan,	258
copies of which shall be filed with the speaker of the house of	259
representatives and the president of the senate for distribution	260

of the county in which the subdivision is located. If the

subdivision is located in more than one county, "board of

elections" means the county board of elections of the county that

contains the largest portion of the population of the subdivision

or that otherwise has jurisdiction in practice over and

customarily handles election matters relating to the subdivision.

- (D) "Bond retirement fund" means the bond retirement fund 297 provided for in section 5705.09 of the Revised Code, and also 298 means a sinking fund or any other special fund, regardless of the 299 name applied to it, established by or pursuant to law or the 300 proceedings for the payment of debt charges. Provision may be made 301 in the applicable proceedings for the establishment in a bond 302 retirement fund of separate accounts relating to debt charges on 303 particular securities, or on securities payable from the same or 304 common sources, and for the application of moneys in those 305 accounts only to specified debt charges on specified securities or 306 categories of securities. Subject to law and any provisions in the 307 applicable proceedings, moneys in a bond retirement fund or 308 separate account in a bond retirement fund may be transferred to 309 other funds and accounts. 310
- (E) "Capitalized interest" means all or a portion of the 311 interest payable on securities from their date to a date stated or 312 provided for in the applicable legislation, which interest is to 313 be paid from the proceeds of the securities. 314
- (F) "Chapter 133. securities" means securities authorized by 315 or issued pursuant to or in accordance with this chapter. 316
- (G) "County auditor" means the county auditor of the county
 in which the subdivision is located. If the subdivision is located
 in more than one county, "county auditor" means the county auditor
 of the county that contains the highest amount of the tax
 valuation of the subdivision or that otherwise has jurisdiction in
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practice over and customarily handles property tax matters

relating to the subdivision. In the case of a county that has

adopted a charter, "county auditor" means the officer who

generally has the duties and functions provided in the Revised

Code for a county auditor.

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- (H) "Credit enhancement facilities" means letters of credit, 327 lines of credit, stand-by, contingent, or firm securities purchase 328 agreements, insurance, or surety arrangements, guarantees, and 329 other arrangements that provide for direct or contingent payment 330 of debt charges, for security or additional security in the event 331 of nonpayment or default in respect of securities, or for making 332 payment of debt charges to and at the option and on demand of 333 securities holders or at the option of the issuer or upon certain 334 conditions occurring under put or similar arrangements, or for 335 otherwise supporting the credit or liquidity of the securities, 336 and includes credit, reimbursement, marketing, remarketing, 337 indexing, carrying, interest rate hedge, and subrogation 338 agreements, and other agreements and arrangements for payment and 339 reimbursement of the person providing the credit enhancement 340 facility and the security for that payment and reimbursement. 341
- (I) "Current operating expenses" or "current expenses" means 342 the lawful expenditures of a subdivision, except those for 343 permanent improvements and for payments of debt charges of the 344 subdivision.
- (J) "Debt charges" means the principal, including any

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 mandatory sinking fund deposits and mandatory redemption payments,
 interest, and any redemption premium, payable on securities as
 those payments come due and are payable. The use of "debt charges"
 for this purpose does not imply that any particular securities
 constitute debt within the meaning of the Ohio Constitution or
 other laws.

(K) "Financing costs" means all costs and expenses relating	353
to the authorization, including any required election, issuance,	354
sale, delivery, authentication, deposit, custody, clearing,	355
registration, transfer, exchange, fractionalization, replacement,	356
payment, and servicing of securities, including, without	357
limitation, costs and expenses for or relating to publication and	358
printing, postage, delivery, preliminary and final official	359
statements, offering circulars, and informational statements,	360
travel and transportation, underwriters, placement agents,	361
investment bankers, paying agents, registrars, authenticating	362
agents, remarketing agents, custodians, clearing agencies or	363
corporations, securities depositories, financial advisory	364
services, certifications, audits, federal or state regulatory	365
agencies, accounting and computation services, legal services and	366
obtaining approving legal opinions and other legal opinions,	367
credit ratings, redemption premiums, and credit enhancement	368
facilities. Financing costs may be paid from any moneys available	369
for the purpose, including, unless otherwise provided in the	370
proceedings, from the proceeds of the securities to which they	371
relate and, as to future financing costs, from the same sources	372
from which debt charges on the securities are paid and as though	373
debt charges.	374
(L) "Fiscal officer" means the following, or, in the case of	375

- absence or vacancy in the office, a deputy or assistant authorized

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 by law or charter to act in the place of the named officer, or if

 there is no such authorization then the deputy or assistant

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 for purposes of this chapter, in the case of the following

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 subdivisions:
 - (1) A county, the county auditor;
- (2) A municipal corporation, the city auditor or village 383 clerk or clerk-treasurer, or the officer who, by virtue of a 384

(S) "Internal Revenue Code" means the "Internal Revenue Code	444
of 1986," 100 Stat. 2085, 26 U.S.C.A. 1 et seq., as amended, and	445
includes any laws of the United States providing for application	446
of that code.	447
(T) "Issuer" means any public issuer and any nonprofit	448
corporation authorized to issue securities for or on behalf of any	449
public issuer.	450
(U) "Legislation" means an ordinance or resolution passed by	451
a majority affirmative vote of the then members of the taxing	452
authority unless a different vote is required by charter	453
provisions governing the passage of the particular legislation by	454
the taxing authority.	455
(V) "Mandatory sinking fund redemption requirements" means	456
amounts required by proceedings to be deposited in a bond	457
retirement fund for the purpose of paying in any year or fiscal	458
year by mandatory redemption prior to stated maturity the	459
principal of securities that is due and payable, except for	460
mandatory prior redemption requirements as provided in those	461
proceedings, in a subsequent year or fiscal year.	462
(W) "Mandatory sinking fund requirements" means amounts	463
required by proceedings to be deposited in a year or fiscal year	464
in a bond retirement fund for the purpose of paying the principal	465
of securities that is due and payable in a subsequent year or	466
fiscal year.	467
(X) "Net indebtedness" has the same meaning as in division	468
(A) of section 133.04 of the Revised Code.	469
(Y) "Obligor," in the case of securities or fractionalized	470
interests in public obligations issued by another person the debt	471
charges or their equivalents on which are payable from payments	472

made by a public issuer, means that public issuer.

(Z) "One purpose" relating to permanent improvements means	474
any one permanent improvement or group or category of permanent	475
improvements for the same utility, enterprise, system, or project,	476
development or redevelopment project, or for or devoted to the	477
same general purpose, function, or use or for which	478
self-supporting securities, based on the same or different sources	479
of revenues, may be issued or for which special assessments may be	480
levied by a single ordinance or resolution. "One purpose"	481
includes, but is not limited to, in any case any off-street	482
parking facilities relating to another permanent improvement, and:	483
(1) Any number of roads, highways, streets, bridges,	484
sidewalks, and viaducts;	485
(2) Any number of off-street parking facilities;	486
(3) In the case of a county, any number of permanent	487
improvements for courthouse, jail, county offices, and other	488
county buildings, and related facilities;	489
(4) In the case of a school district, any number of	490
facilities and buildings for school district purposes, and related	491
facilities.	492
(AA) "Outstanding," referring to securities, means securities	493
that have been issued, delivered, and paid for, except any of the	494
following:	495
(1) Securities canceled upon surrender, exchange, or	496
transfer, or upon payment or redemption;	497
(2) Securities in replacement of which or in exchange for	498
which other securities have been issued;	499
(3) Securities for the payment, or redemption or purchase for	500
cancellation prior to maturity, of which sufficient moneys or	501
investments, in accordance with the applicable legislation or	502
other proceedings or any applicable law, by mandatory sinking fund	503

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504 redemption requirements, mandatory sinking fund requirements, or 505 otherwise, have been deposited, and credited for the purpose in a 506 bond retirement fund or with a trustee or paying or escrow agent, 507 whether at or prior to their maturity or redemption, and, in the 508 case of securities to be redeemed prior to their stated maturity, 509 notice of redemption has been given or satisfactory arrangements 510 have been made for giving notice of that redemption, or waiver of 511 that notice by or on behalf of the affected security holders has 512 been filed with the subdivision or its agent for the purpose.

(BB) "Paying agent" means the one or more banks, trust 513 companies, or other financial institutions or qualified persons, 514 including an appropriate office or officer of the subdivision, 515 designated as a paying agent or place of payment of debt charges 516

(CC) "Permanent improvement" or "improvement" means any property, asset, or improvement certified by the fiscal officer, which certification is conclusive, as having an estimated life or period of usefulness of five years or more, and includes, but is not limited to, real estate, buildings, and personal property and interests in real estate, buildings, and personal property, equipment, furnishings, and site improvements, and reconstruction, rehabilitation, renovation, installation, improvement, enlargement, and extension of property, assets, or improvements so certified as having an estimated life or period of usefulness of five years or more. The acquisition of all the stock ownership of a corporation is the acquisition of a permanent improvement to the

extent that the value of that stock is represented by permanent

and street purposes includes resurfacing, but does not include

improvements. A permanent improvement for parking, highway, road,

(DD) "Person" has the same meaning as in section 1.59 of the Revised Code and also includes any federal, state, interstate,

securities.

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redemption prior to maturity.

- (II) "Register" means the books kept and maintained by the registrar for registration, exchange, and transfer of registered 568
- (JJ) "Registrar" means the person responsible for keeping the register for the particular registered securities, designated by 571 or pursuant to the proceedings. 572
- (KK) "Securities" means bonds, notes, certificates of 573 indebtedness, commercial paper, and other instruments in writing, 574 including, unless the context does not admit, anticipatory 575 securities, issued by an issuer to evidence its obligation to 576 repay money borrowed, or to pay interest, by, or to pay at any 577 future time other money obligations of, the issuer of the 578 securities, but not including public obligations described in 579 division (GG)(2) of this section. 580
- (LL) "Self-supporting securities" means securities or 581 portions of securities issued for the purpose of paying costs of 582 permanent improvements to the extent that receipts of the 583 subdivision, other than the proceeds of taxes levied by that 584 subdivision, derived from or with respect to the improvements or 585 the operation of the improvements being financed, or the 586 enterprise, system, project, or category of improvements of which 587 the improvements being financed are part, are estimated by the 588 fiscal officer to be sufficient to pay the current expenses of 589 that operation or of those improvements or enterprise, system, 590 project, or categories of improvements and the debt charges 591 payable from those receipts on securities issued for the purpose. 592 Until such time as the improvements or increases in rates and 593 charges have been in operation or effect for a period of at least 594 six months, the receipts therefrom, for purposes of this 595 definition, shall be those estimated by the fiscal officer, except 596

of the Revised Code;

that those receipts may include, without limitation, payments made	597
and to be made to the subdivision under leases or agreements in	598
effect at the time the estimate is made. In the case of an	599
operation, improvements, or enterprise, system, project, or	600
category of improvements without at least a six-month history of	601
receipts, the estimate of receipts by the fiscal officer, other	602
than those to be derived under leases and agreements then in	603
effect, shall be confirmed by the taxing authority.	604
(MM) "Subdivision" means any of the following:	605
(1) A county, including a county that has adopted a charter	606
under Article X, Ohio Constitution;	607
(2) A municipal corporation, including a municipal	608
corporation that has adopted a charter under Article XVIII, Ohio	609
Constitution;	610
(3) A school district;	611
(4) A regional water and sewer district organized under	612
Chapter 6119. of the Revised Code;	613
(5) A joint township hospital district organized under	614
section 513.07 of the Revised Code;	615
(6) A joint ambulance district organized under section 505.71	616
of the Revised Code;	617
(7) A joint recreation district organized under division (C)	618
of section 755.14 of the Revised Code;	619
(8) A detention facility district organized under section	620
2152.41, a district organized under section 2151.65, or a combined	621
district organized under sections 2152.41 and 2151.65 of the	622
Revised Code;	623
(9) A township police district organized under section 505.48	624

district, a joint recreation district, a fire and ambulance

operation of the facilities, including those rates or charges or

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745 rents and any interest subsidies or debt charges, grants, or other 746 payments by federal or state agencies available therefor, and the 747 covenants of the county to maintain sufficient rentals, rates, and 748 charges to produce revenues sufficient to pay all current expenses 749 of the facilities payable by the county and to pay the debt 750 charges on the securities and to establish and maintain any 751 contractually required special funds relating to the securities or 752 the facilities, and, if the securities are anticipatory 753 securities, to issue the revenue securities in anticipation of the 754 issuance of which the revenue securities are issued. Revenue 755 securities may also be secured by a pledge of and lien on the 756 proceeds of any securities issued to fund or refund those revenue 757 securities.

- (E) The county officers authorized by the county taxing authority shall execute the necessary documents, including but not limited to trust agreements and leases, to provide for the pledge, protection, and disposition of the pledged revenues from which debt charges and any special fund deposits are to be paid.
- (F) As long as any of these revenue securities, in either original or refunded form, remain outstanding, except as otherwise provided in those documents, all parts of the facilities the revenues from which are pledged, shall remain under the control of the county taxing authority, whether any parts of the facilities are leased to or operated by others or are in or thereafter come within the boundaries of any municipal corporation, and the facilities shall remain subject to the power and duty of the taxing authority to fix and collect rates or charges or rents for the use of facilities.
- (G) The authority to issue securities of the county under 773 this section for permanent improvements described in division 774 (B)(2) of this section or division (C)(2)(d) of section 133.07 of 775 the Revised Code may separately and independently be exercised by 776

revenues of the county pursuant to Chapter 5739. of the Revised	807
Code may anticipate the receipts of such tax and issue sales tax	808
supported bonds of the county in the principal amount necessary to	809
pay the costs of financing any permanent improvement as defined in	810
division (CC) of section 133.01 of the Revised Code, or to refund	811
any refunded obligations, provided that the taxing authority	812
certifies that the annual debt charges on the sales tax supported	813
bonds, or on the sales tax supported bonds being anticipated by	814
anticipation notes, do not exceed the estimated annual county	815
sales tax. The maximum aggregate amount of sales tax supported	816
bonds that may be outstanding at any time in accordance with their	817
terms shall not exceed an amount which requires or is estimated to	818
require payments from sales tax receipts of debt charges on the	819
sales tax supported bonds, or, in the case of anticipation notes,	820
projected debt charges on the sales tax supported bonds	821
anticipated, in any calendar year in an amount exceeding the	822
county sales tax in anticipation of which the bonds or	823
anticipation notes are issued as estimated by the fiscal officer	824
based on general sales tax receipts averaged for the prior two	825
calendar years prior to the year in which the sales tax supported	826
bonds are issued, and annualized for any increase in the county	827
sales tax which may have been levied in part during such period or	828
levied after such period. A taxing authority may at any time issue	829
renewal anticipation notes, issue sales tax supported bonds to pay	830
renewal anticipation notes, and, if it considers refunding	831
expedient, issue refunding sales tax supported bonds whether the	832
refunded obligations have or have not matured. The refunding sales	833
tax supported bonds shall be sold and the proceeds needed for such	834
purpose applied in the manner provided in the authorizing	835
proceedings of the taxing authority. The maximum maturity of sales	836
tax supported bonds shall be calculated by the fiscal officer in	837
accordance with section 133.20 of the Revised Code, and such	838
calculation shall be filed with the taxing authority of the county	839

prior to passage of a bond authorizing resolution. If the county
sales tax pledged to the payment of the sales tax supported bonds
has a stated expiration date, the final principal maturity date of
the sales tax supported bonds shall not extend beyond the final
year of collection of the county sales tax pledged to the payment
of the sales tax supported bonds.

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- (C) Every issue of sales tax supported bonds outstanding in 846 accordance with their terms shall be payable out of the sales tax 847 receipts received by the county or proceeds of sales tax supported 848 bonds, renewal anticipation notes, or refunding sales tax 849 supported bonds which may be pledged for such payment in the 850 authorizing proceedings. The pledge shall be valid and binding 851 from the time the pledge is made, and the county sales tax 852 receipts and proceeds so pledged and thereafter received by the 853 county shall immediately be subject to the lien of that pledge 854 without any physical delivery of the county sales tax receipts or 855 proceeds or further act. The lien of any pledge is valid and 856 binding as against all parties having claims of any kind in tort, 857 contract, or otherwise against the county, whether or not such 858 parties have notice of the lien. Neither the resolution nor any 859 trust agreement by which a pledge is created or further evidenced 860 need be filed or recorded except in the records of the taxing 861 authority. 862
- (D) Sales tax supported bonds issued under this section do 863 not constitute a debt, or a pledge of the faith and credit, of the 864 state, the county, or any other political subdivision of the 865 state, and the holders or owners of the notes have no right to 866 have taxes levied by the general assembly or by the taxing 867 authority of any political subdivision of the state, including the 868 taxing authority of the county, for the payment of debt charges. 869 Unless paid from other sources, sales tax supported bonds are 870 payable from the sales tax receipts pledged for their payment as 871

872 authorized by this section. All sales tax supported bonds shall 873 contain on their face a statement to the effect that the sales tax 874 supported bonds, as to debt charges, are not debts or obligations 875 of the state and are not debts of any political subdivision of the 876 state, but, unless paid from other sources, are payable from the 877 sales tax receipts pledged for their payment. The utilization and 878 pledge of the sales tax receipts and proceeds of sales tax 879 supported bonds, renewal anticipation notes, or refunding sales 880 tax supported bonds for the payment of debt charges is determined 881 by the general assembly to create a special obligation which is 882 not a bonded indebtedness subject to Section 11 of Article XII, 883 Ohio Constitution.

(E) The sales tax supported bonds shall bear such date or 884 dates, shall be executed in the manner, and shall mature at such 885 time or times, in the case of any anticipation notes not exceeding 886 ten years from the date of issue of the original anticipation 887 notes and in the case of any sales tax supported bonds or of any 888 refunding sales tax supported bonds, not exceeding the maximum 889 maturity certified to the taxing authority pursuant to division 890 (B) of this section, all as the authorizing proceedings may 891 provide. The sales tax supported bonds shall bear interest at such 892 rates, or at variable rate or rates changing from time to time, in 893 accordance with provisions in the authorizing proceedings, be in 894 such denominations and form, either coupon or registered, carry 895 such registration privileges, be payable in such medium of payment 896 and at such place or places, and be subject to such terms of 897 redemption, as the taxing authority may authorize or provide. The 898 sales tax supported bonds may be sold at public or private sale, 899 and at, or at not less than, the price or prices as the taxing 900 authority determines. If any officer whose signature or a 901 facsimile of whose signature appears on any sales tax supported 902 bonds or coupons ceases to be such officer before delivery of the 903

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904 sales tax supported bonds or anticipation notes, the signature or 905 facsimile shall nevertheless be sufficient for all purposes as if 906 that officer had remained in office until delivery of the sales 907 tax supported bonds. Whether or not the sales tax supported bonds 908 are of such form and character as to be negotiable instruments 909 under Title XIII of the Revised Code, the sales tax supported 910 bonds shall have all the qualities and incidents of negotiable 911 instruments, subject only to any provisions for registration. 912 Neither the members of the board of the taxing authority nor any 913 person executing the sales tax supported bonds shall be liable 914 personally on the sales tax supported bonds or be subject to any 915 personal liability or accountability by reason of their issuance.

- (F) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, 916 sections 9.98 to 9.983, 133.02, 133.70, and 5709.76, and division 917 (A) of section 133.03 of the Revised Code apply to the sales tax 918 supported bonds. Sales tax supported bonds issued under this 919 section need not comply with any other law applicable to notes or 920 bonds but the authorizing proceedings may provide that divisions 921 (B) to (E) of section 133.25 of the Revised Code apply to the 922 sales tax supported bonds or anticipation notes. 923
- (G) Any authorized proceedings may contain provisions, subject to any agreements with holders as may then exist, which shall be a part of the contract with the holders, as to the pledging of any or all of the county's anticipated sales tax receipts to secure the payment of the sales tax supported bonds; the use and disposition of the sales tax receipts of the county; the crediting of the proceeds of the sale of sales tax supported bonds to and among the funds referred to or provided for in the authorizing proceedings; limitations on the purpose to which the proceeds of the sales tax supported bonds may be applied and the pledging of portions of such proceeds to secure the payment of the sales tax supported bonds or of anticipation notes; the agreement

936 of the county to do all things necessary for the authorization, 937 issuance, and sale of those notes anticipated in such amounts as 938 may be necessary for the timely payment of debt charges on any 939 anticipation notes; limitations on the issuance of additional 940 sales tax supported bonds; the terms upon which additional sales 941 tax supported bonds may be issued and secured; the refunding of 942 refunded obligations; the procedure by which the terms of any 943 contract with holders may be amended, and the manner in which any 944 required consent to amend may be given; securing any sales tax 945 supported bonds by a trust agreement or other agreement; and any 946 other matters, of like or different character, that in any way 947 affect the security or protection of the sales tax supported bonds 948 or anticipation notes.

(H) The taxing authority of a county may not repeal, rescind, 949 or reduce any portion of a county sales tax pledged to the payment 950 of debt charges on sales tax supported bonds issued by the county 951 while such sales tax supported bonds remain outstanding, and no 952 portion of a county sales tax pledged to the payment of debt 953 charges on sales tax supported bonds shall be subject to repeal or 954 reduction by the electorate of the county or by the taxing 955 authority of the county while such sales tax supported bonds are 956 outstanding. 957

Sec. 133.10. (A) In anticipation of the collection of current 958 property tax revenues in and for any fiscal year, the taxing 959 authority of any subdivision may issue securities, but the 960 aggregate principal amount of such securities shall not exceed 961 one-half of the amount that the budget commission estimates the 962 subdivision will receive from property taxes in that fiscal year 963 and prior to the last day of the sixth month following the month 964 in which the securities are issued, other than taxes to be 965 received for the payment of debt charges or allocated to debt 966

967 charges on securities issued pursuant to division (C) of this section, and less all advances. When a partial, semiannual, or 968 final property tax settlement is delayed, securities may also be 969 issued in anticipation of the receipt of property taxes levied or 970 collected for debt charges to the extent necessary to meet such 971 debt charges but not in excess of such estimated receipts, less 972 all advances. The securities issued pursuant to this division (A) 973 shall mature not later than the last day of the sixth month 974 following the month in which the securities are issued and in any 975 case not later than the last day of the fiscal year in which they 976 are issued. 977

- (B) In anticipation of the collection of current revenues in 978 979 and for any fiscal year from any source or combination of sources, including distributions of any federal or state moneys, other than 980 the proceeds of property taxes levied by the subdivision, the 981 taxing authority of any subdivision may issue securities, but the 982 aggregate principal amount of such securities shall not exceed 983 one-half of the amount estimated by the fiscal officer to be 984 received by the subdivision from such sources during the remainder 985 of such fiscal year, less advances and prior collections. 986
- (C) In anticipation of the collection of current property tax 987 revenues in and for any fiscal year, the taxing authority of a 988 county, municipal corporation, township, or school district may 989 issue securities, but the aggregate principal amount of those 990 securities and of any securities issued pursuant to division (A) 991 of this section outstanding at the time of issuance shall not 992 exceed one-half of the amount that the budget commission estimates 993 the subdivision will receive from all property taxes that are to 994 be distributed to the subdivision from all settlements of taxes 995 that are to be made in the remainder of that fiscal year, other 996 than taxes to be received for the payment of debt charges, and 997 less all advances. 998

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(D) When the tax settlement scheduled under division (B) of	999
section 321.24 of the Revised Code is delayed pursuant to division	1000
(E) of that section, the taxing authority of a school district may	1001
issue property tax anticipation securities against the taxes to be	1002
included in that settlement, but the aggregate principal amount of	1003
all securities outstanding against those taxes shall not exceed	1004
ninety per cent of the amount estimated to be received from that	1005
settlement by the budget commission, other than taxes to be	1006
received for the payment of debt charges, and less all advances.	1007
The securities issued pursuant to this division (D) shall mature	1008
on or before the next ensuing thirty-first day of August.	1009

- (E) This division applies to all securities authorized by 1010 this section.
- (1) The amounts from the sources anticipated needed to pay 1012 debt charges and financing costs shall be considered appropriated 1013 for that purpose, and other appropriations from those sources by 1014 the taxing authority shall be limited to the balance available 1015 after deducting the amount to pay those debt charges and financing 1016 costs. The portions of those amounts as received and to be applied 1017 to those debt charges shall be deposited and set aside in an 1018 account for the purpose in the bond retirement fund in the amounts 1019 and at the times required to pay those debt charges as provided 1020 for by the authorizing legislation or otherwise provided by law. 1021
- (2) Except as otherwise provided in division (H) of this 1022 section, the securities shall not be issued prior to the first day 1023 and, except as otherwise provided in divisions (A) and (D) of this 1024 section, shall mature not later than the last day of the fiscal 1025 year for which the revenues are anticipated. 1026
- (3) The proceeds of the principal amount of the securitiesshall be used only for the purposes for which the amountsanticipated were levied, collected, distributed, and appropriated,1029

and for financing costs related to those securities.

- (4) Property taxes include distributions from the state in 1031payment of credits against or partial exemptions from, or 1032reduction of, property taxes. 1033
- (5) If for any reason debt charges on securities authorized 1034 by this section are not paid by the subdivision in the fiscal year 1035 when due, the taxing authority of the subdivision shall include in 1036 its next annual appropriation measure an amount sufficient to pay 1037 those debt charges, and the county auditor and county treasurer 1038 shall withhold, in a custodial account, amounts due the 1039 subdivision from the sources anticipated until such amount is 1040 accumulated by those officers and they directly pay or provide, 1041 through the paying agent or otherwise, for the payment of those 1042 debt charges. 1043
- (F) The authority to issue securities under divisions (A) and 1044
 (B) of this section may be exercised by any board of library 1045
 trustees of a public library, or board of park commissioners of a 1046
 township, to which the budget commission has allotted a share of 1047
 the local government fund under section 5747.51 of the Revised 1048
 Code or of the library and local government support fund under 1049
 section 5707.051 of the Revised Code. 1050
- (G) The taxing authority of a school district issuing 1051 securities under division (A), (C), or (D) of this section shall 1052 in the legislation authorizing the securities affirm the levy of, 1053 or covenant to levy, the anticipated property taxes to be 1054 collected in the following year.
- (H) The taxing authority of a school district may issue 1056 securities authorized by this section on or after the tenth day 1057 preceding the first day of the fiscal year for which the revenues 1058 are anticipated; provided, that if the taxing authority of a 1059 school district issues securities authorized by this section prior 1060

or to enter into an agreement with an eligible government, as

eligible government with a certificate of deposit, investment

defined in section 135.81 of the Revised Code, to provide that

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institution and the treasurer or governing board, the board of

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directors, or the investing authority or board of county	1123
commissioners.	1124
(C) For purposes of this section, both of the following	1125
<pre>apply:</pre>	1126
(1) "Investing authority" has the same meaning as in section	1127
135.31 of the Revised Code.	1128
(2) "Port authority" means a port authority created in	1129
accordance with section 4582.22 of the Revised Code.	1130
Sec. 135.81. As used in sections 135.81 to 135.87 of the Revised Code:	1131 1132
(A) "Eligible governmental subdivision" means a municipal	1133
corporation, port authority created in accordance with section	1134
4582.22 of the Revised Code, or county in this state.	1135
(B) "Eligible governmental subdivision housing linked deposit	1136
program" means any program established pursuant to section 135.80	1137
of the Revised Code by the legislative authority of a municipal	1138
corporation, the board of directors of a port authority created in	1139
accordance with section 4582.22 of the Revised Code, or the board	1140
of county commissioners of a county, in which the program goals	1141
address specific housing issues relative to the geographic	1142
boundaries of that municipal corporation, port authority, or	1143
county. These program goals include, but are not limited to, home	1144
improvement, home restoration, energy efficiency, retention of	1145
historic significance, controlling urban sprawl, neighborhood	1146
revitalization, affordable housing, home ownership for persons	1147
unable to secure conventional financing, urban development, or	1148
economic revitalization of a residential area as a result of a	1149
natural disaster or other catastrophic occurrence.	1150
(C) "Eligible housing linked deposit participant" means any	1151
person or small business that meets the requirements set forth in	1152

(F) "Other financial institution instrument" means a fully 1178 collateralized product that otherwise would pay market rates of 1179 interest approved by the treasurer of state, for the purpose of 1180 providing eligible housing linked deposit participants with the 1181 benefits of a housing linked deposit. 1182

Sec. 149.43. (A) As used in this section:	1183
(1) "Public record" means records kept by any public office,	1184
including, but not limited to, state, county, city, village,	1185
township, and school district units, and records pertaining to the	1186
delivery of educational services by an alternative school in Ohio	1187
kept by a nonprofit or for profit entity operating such	1188
alternative school pursuant to section 3313.533 of the Revised	1189
Code. "Public record" does not mean any of the following:	1190
(a) Medical records;	1191
(b) Records pertaining to probation and parole proceedings or	1192
to proceedings related to the imposition of community control	1193
sanctions and post-release control sanctions;	1194
(c) Records pertaining to actions under section 2151.85 and	1195
division (C) of section 2919.121 of the Revised Code and to	1196
appeals of actions arising under those sections;	1197
(d) Records pertaining to adoption proceedings, including the	1198
contents of an adoption file maintained by the department of	1199
health under section 3705.12 of the Revised Code;	1200
(e) Information in a record contained in the putative father	1201
registry established by section 3107.062 of the Revised Code,	1202
regardless of whether the information is held by the department of	1203
job and family services or, pursuant to section 3111.69 of the	1204
Revised Code, the office of child support in the department or a	1205
child support enforcement agency;	1206
(f) Records listed in division (A) of section 3107.42 of the	1207
Revised Code or specified in division (A) of section 3107.52 of	1208
the Revised Code;	1209
(g) Trial preparation records;	1210
(h) Confidential law enforcement investigatory records;	1211

(i) Records containing information that is confidential under	1212
section 2317.023 or 4112.05 of the Revised Code;	1213
(j) DNA records stored in the DNA database pursuant to	1214
section 109.573 of the Revised Code;	1215
(k) Inmate records released by the department of	1216
rehabilitation and correction to the department of youth services	1217
or a court of record pursuant to division (E) of section 5120.21	1218
of the Revised Code;	1219
(1) Records maintained by the department of youth services	1220
pertaining to children in its custody released by the department	1221
of youth services to the department of rehabilitation and	1222
correction pursuant to section 5139.05 of the Revised Code;	1223
(m) Intellectual property records;	1224
(n) Donor profile records;	1225
(o) Records maintained by the department of job and family	1226
services pursuant to section 3121.894 of the Revised Code;	1227
(p) Peace officer, firefighter, or EMT residential and	1228
familial information;	1229
(q) In the case of a county hospital operated pursuant to	1230
Chapter 339. of the Revised Code, information that constitutes a	1231
trade secret, as defined in section 1333.61 of the Revised Code;	1232
(r) Information pertaining to the recreational activities of	1233
a person under the age of eighteen;	1234
(s) Records provided to, statements made by review board	1235
members during meetings of, and all work products of a child	1236
fatality review board acting under sections 307.621 to 307.629 of	1237
the Revised Code, other than the report prepared pursuant to	1238
section 307.626 of the Revised Code;	1239
(t) Records provided to and statements made by the executive	1240

source or witness to whom confidentiality has been reasonably

promised;

(b) Information provided by an information source or witness	1271
to whom confidentiality has been reasonably promised, which	1272
information would reasonably tend to disclose the source's or	1273
witness's identity;	1274
(c) Specific confidential investigatory techniques or	1275
procedures or specific investigatory work product;	1276
(d) Information that would endanger the life or physical	1277
safety of law enforcement personnel, a crime victim, a witness, or	1278
a confidential information source.	1279
(3) "Medical record" means any document or combination of	1280
documents, except births, deaths, and the fact of admission to or	1281
discharge from a hospital, that pertains to the medical history,	1282
diagnosis, prognosis, or medical condition of a patient and that	1283
is generated and maintained in the process of medical treatment.	1284
(4) "Trial preparation record" means any record that contains	1285
information that is specifically compiled in reasonable	1286
anticipation of, or in defense of, a civil or criminal action or	1287
proceeding, including the independent thought processes and	1288
personal trial preparation of an attorney.	1289
(5) "Intellectual property record" means a record, other than	1290
a financial or administrative record, that is produced or	1291
collected by or for faculty or staff of a state institution of	1292
higher learning in the conduct of or as a result of study or	1293
research on an educational, commercial, scientific, artistic,	1294
technical, or scholarly issue, regardless of whether the study or	1295
research was sponsored by the institution alone or in conjunction	1296
with a governmental body or private concern, and that has not been	1297
publicly released, published, or patented.	1298
(6) "Donor profile record" means all records about donors or	1299
potential donors to a public institution of higher education	1300

except the names and reported addresses of the actual donors and

(b) The social security number, birth date, or photographic 1362 image of a person under the age of eighteen; 1363 (c) Any medical record, history, or information pertaining to 1364 a person under the age of eighteen; 1365 (d) Any additional information sought or required about a 1366 person under the age of eighteen for the purpose of allowing that 1367 person to participate in any recreational activity conducted or 1368 sponsored by a public office or to use or obtain admission 1369 privileges to any recreational facility owned or operated by a 1370 public office. 1371 (9) "Community control sanction" has the same meaning as in 1372 section 2929.01 of the Revised Code. 1373 (10) "Post-release control sanction" has the same meaning as 1374 in section 2967.01 of the Revised Code. 1375 (B)(1) Subject to division (B)(4) of this section, all public 1376 records shall be promptly prepared and made available for 1377 inspection to any person at all reasonable times during regular 1378 business hours. Subject to division (B)(4) of this section, upon 1379 request, a public office or person responsible for public records 1380 shall make copies available at cost, within a reasonable period of 1381 time. In order to facilitate broader access to public records, 1382 public offices shall maintain public records in a manner that they 1383 can be made available for inspection in accordance with this 1384 division. 1385 (2) If any person chooses to obtain a copy of a public record 1386 in accordance with division (B)(1) of this section, the public 1387 office or person responsible for the public record shall permit 1388 that person to choose to have the public record duplicated upon 1389 paper, upon the same medium upon which the public office or person 1390 responsible for the public record keeps it, or upon any other 1391

medium upon which the public office or person responsible for the

public record determines that it reasonably can be duplicated as	1393
an integral part of the normal operations of the public office or	1394
person responsible for the public record. When the person seeking	1395
the copy makes a choice under this division, the public office or	1396
person responsible for the public record shall provide a copy of	1397
it in accordance with the choice made by the person seeking the	1398
copy.	1399

(3) Upon a request made in accordance with division (B)(1) of 1400 this section, a public office or person responsible for public 1401 records shall transmit a copy of a public record to any person by 1402 United States mail within a reasonable period of time after 1403 receiving the request for the copy. The public office or person 1404 responsible for the public record may require the person making 1405 the request to pay in advance the cost of postage and other 1406 supplies used in the mailing. 1407

Any public office may adopt a policy and procedures that it 1408 will follow in transmitting, within a reasonable period of time 1409 after receiving a request, copies of public records by United 1410 States mail pursuant to this division. A public office that adopts 1411 a policy and procedures under this division shall comply with them 1412 in performing its duties under this division.

In any policy and procedures adopted under this division, a 1414 public office may limit the number of records requested by a 1415 person that the office will transmit by United States mail to ten 1416 per month, unless the person certifies to the office in writing 1417 that the person does not intend to use or forward the requested 1418 records, or the information contained in them, for commercial 1419 purposes. For purposes of this division, "commercial" shall be 1420 narrowly construed and does not include reporting or gathering 1421 news, reporting or gathering information to assist citizen 1422 oversight or understanding of the operation or activities of 1423 government, or nonprofit educational research. 1424

(4) A public office or person responsible for public records	1425
is not required to permit a person who is incarcerated pursuant to	1426
a criminal conviction or a juvenile adjudication to inspect or to	1427
obtain a copy of any public record concerning a criminal	1428
investigation or prosecution or concerning what would be a	1429
criminal investigation or prosecution if the subject of the	1430
investigation or prosecution were an adult, unless the request to	1431
inspect or to obtain a copy of the record is for the purpose of	1432
acquiring information that is subject to release as a public	1433
record under this section and the judge who imposed the sentence	1434
or made the adjudication with respect to the person, or the	1435
judge's successor in office, finds that the information sought in	1436
the public record is necessary to support what appears to be a	1437
justiciable claim of the person.	1438

(5) Upon written request made and signed by a journalist on 1439 or after December 16, 1999, a public office, or person responsible 1440 for public records, having custody of the records of the agency 1441 employing a specified peace officer, firefighter, or EMT shall 1442 disclose to the journalist the address of the actual personal 1443 residence of the peace officer, firefighter or EMT and, if the 1444 peace officer's, firefighter's or EMT's spouse, former spouse, or 1445 child is employed by a public office, the name and address of the 1446 employer of the peace officer's, firefighter's, or EMT's spouse, 1447 former spouse, or child. The request shall include the 1448 journalist's name and title and the name and address of the 1449 journalist's employer and shall state that disclosure of the 1450 information sought would be in the public interest. 1451

As used in division (B)(5) of this section, "journalist" 1452 means a person engaged in, connected with, or employed by any news 1453 medium, including a newspaper, magazine, press association, news 1454 agency, or wire service, a radio or television station, or a 1455 similar medium, for the purpose of gathering, processing, 1456

transmitting, compiling, editing, or disseminating information for the general public. 1458

- (C) If a person allegedly is aggrieved by the failure of a 1459 public office to promptly prepare a public record and to make it 1460 available to the person for inspection in accordance with division 1461 (B) of this section, or if a person who has requested a copy of a 1462 public record allegedly is aggrieved by the failure of a public 1463 office or the person responsible for the public record to make a 1464 copy available to the person allegedly aggrieved in accordance 1465 with division (B) of this section, the person allegedly aggrieved 1466 may commence a mandamus action to obtain a judgment that orders 1467 the public office or the person responsible for the public record 1468 to comply with division (B) of this section and that awards 1469 reasonable attorney's fees to the person that instituted the 1470 mandamus action. The mandamus action may be commenced in the court 1471 of common pleas of the county in which division (B) of this 1472 section allegedly was not complied with, in the supreme court 1473 pursuant to its original jurisdiction under Section 2 of Article 1474 IV, Ohio Constitution, or in the court of appeals for the 1475 appellate district in which division (B) of this section allegedly 1476 was not complied with pursuant to its original jurisdiction under 1477 Section 3 of Article IV, Ohio Constitution. 1478
- (D) Chapter 1347. of the Revised Code does not limit the 1479 provisions of this section.
- (E)(1) The bureau of motor vehicles may adopt rules pursuant 1481 to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code to reasonably limit the number 1482 of bulk commercial special extraction requests made by a person 1483 for the same records or for updated records during a calendar 1484 year. The rules may include provisions for charges to be made for 1485 bulk commercial special extraction requests for the actual cost of 1486 the bureau, plus special extraction costs, plus ten per cent. The 1487 bureau may charge for expenses for redacting information, the 1488

release of which is prohibited by law.

- (2) As used in divisions (B)(3) and (E)(1) of this section: 1490
- (a) "Actual cost" means the cost of depleted supplies, 1491 records storage media costs, actual mailing and alternative 1492 delivery costs, or other transmitting costs, and any direct 1493 equipment operating and maintenance costs, including actual costs 1494 paid to private contractors for copying services. 1495
- (b) "Bulk commercial special extraction request" means a 1496 request for copies of a record for information in a format other 1497 than the format already available, or information that cannot be 1498 extracted without examination of all items in a records series, 1499 class of records, or data base by a person who intends to use or 1500 forward the copies for surveys, marketing, solicitation, or resale 1501 for commercial purposes. "Bulk commercial special extraction 1502 request" does not include a request by a person who gives 1503 assurance to the bureau that the person making the request does 1504 not intend to use or forward the requested copies for surveys, 1505 marketing, solicitation, or resale for commercial purposes. 1506
- (c) "Commercial" means profit-seeking production, buying, orselling of any good, service, or other product.
- (d) "Special extraction costs" means the cost of the time 1509 spent by the lowest paid employee competent to perform the task, 1510 the actual amount paid to outside private contractors employed by 1511 the bureau, or the actual cost incurred to create computer 1512 programs to make the special extraction. "Special extraction 1513 costs" include any charges paid to a public agency for computer or 1514 records services.
- (3) For purposes of divisions (E)(1) and (2) of this section, 1516
 "commercial surveys, marketing, solicitation, or resale" shall be 1517
 narrowly construed and does not include reporting or gathering 1518
 news, reporting or gathering information to assist citizen 1519

oversight or understanding of the operation or activities of	1520
government, or nonprofit educational research.	1521

Sec. 169.05. (A) Every holder required to file a report under	1522
section 169.03 of the Revised Code shall, at the time of filing,	1523
pay to the director of commerce ten per cent of the aggregate	1524
amount of unclaimed funds as shown on such the report, except for	1525
aggregate amounts of fifty dollars or less in which case one	1526
hundred per cent shall be paid. Such The funds may be deposited by	1527
the director in the state treasury to the credit of the unclaimed	1528
funds trust fund, which is hereby created, or placed with a	1529
financial organization. Any interest earned on money in the trust	1530
fund shall be credited to the trust fund. The remainder of such	1531
the aggregate amount of unclaimed funds as shown on such the	1532
report, plus earnings accrued to date of payment to the director,	1533
shall, at the option of the director, be retained by the holder or	1534
paid to the director for deposit as agent for the mortgage funds	1535
with a financial organization as defined in section 169.01 of the	1536
Revised Code, such with the funds to be in income-bearing accounts	1537
to the credit of the mortgage funds, or the holder may enter into	1538
an agreement with the director specifying the obligations of the	1539
United States in which funds are to be invested, and agree to pay	1540
the interest on such <u>the</u> obligations to the state. Holders	1541
retaining such any funds not in obligations of the United States	1542
shall enter into an agreement with the director specifying the	1543
classification of income-bearing account in which the funds will	1544
be held and pay the state interest thereon on the funds at a rate	1545
equal to the prevailing market rate for similar funds. Moneys	1546
which that the holder is required to pay to the director rather	1547
than to retain may be deposited with the treasurer of state, or	1548
placed with a financial organization.	1549

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director shall, within a reasonable time, be converted to cash and 1551 the proceeds deposited as provided for other funds. 1552

One-half of the funds evidenced by such agreements or, in 1553 such income-bearing accounts, or on deposit with the treasurer of 1554 state shall be allocated on the records of the director to the 1555 mortgage insurance fund created by section 122.561 of the Revised 1556 Code. Out of the remaining half, after allocation of sufficient 1557 moneys to the minority business bonding fund to meet the 1558 provisions of division (B) of this section, an equal amount the 1559 remainder shall be allocated on the records of the director to the 1560 housing guarantee fund created by division (D) of section 175.10 1561 of the Revised Code and the housing development fund created by 1562 division $\frac{(C)(A)}{A}$ of section $\frac{175.10}{175.11}$ of the Revised Code. 1563

(B) The director shall serve as agent for the director of 1564 development, and as agent for the Ohio housing finance agency, in 1565 the making of deposits and withdrawals and maintenance of 1566 maintaining records pertaining to the minority business bonding 1567 fund created by section 122.88 of the Revised Code, the mortgage 1568 insurance fund, the housing guarantee fund, and the housing 1569 development fund created by division (C) of section 175.10 175.11 1570 of the Revised Code. Funds from the mortgage insurance fund shall 1571 be are available to the director of development when such those 1572 funds are to be disbursed to prevent or cure, or upon the 1573 occurrence of, a default of a mortgage insured pursuant to section 1574 122.451 of the Revised Code. Funds from the housing guarantee fund 1575 shall be available to the Ohio housing finance agency when such 1576 funds are to be disbursed under a guarantee authorized by section 1577 175.04 of the Revised Code to satisfy a guaranteed mortgage which 1578 is in default. Funds from the housing development fund shall be 1579 are available upon request to the Ohio housing finance agency, in 1580 an amount not to exceed the funds allocated on the records of the 1581 <u>director,</u> for the purposes of section 175.04 <u>175.05</u> of the Revised 1582

Code when it so requests. Funds from the minority business bonding	1583
fund shall be are available to the director of development upon	1584
request for the purpose of paying to pay obligations on bonds	1585
written by the director writes pursuant to section 122.88 of the	1586
Revised Code; except that, unless the general assembly authorizes	1587
additional amounts are authorized by the general assembly, the	1588
total maximum amount of moneys that may be allocated to the	1589
minority business bonding fund under this division is ten million	1590
dollars.	1591

When such funds are to be so disbursed, the appropriate 1592 agency shall call upon the director to transfer to it the 1593 necessary funds to it. The director shall first withdraw the funds 1594 paid by the holders and deposited with the treasurer of state or 1595 in a financial institution as agent for such the funds. Whenever 1596 these funds are inadequate to meet the request, the director shall 1597 provide for a withdrawal of funds, within a reasonable time, and 1598 in such the amount as is necessary to meet the request, from 1599 financial institutions in which such the funds were retained or 1600 placed by a holder and from other holders who have retained funds, 1601 in an equitable manner as prescribed by the director prescribes. 1602 In the event that the amount to be withdrawn from any one such 1603 holder is less than five hundred dollars, the amount to be 1604 withdrawn shall be is at the director's discretion of the 1605 director. The director shall then transfer to the agency the 1606 amount of funds requested. 1607

Funds which are deposited in the unclaimed funds trust fund

shall be are subject to call by the director when necessary to pay

claims allowed by the director allows under section 169.08 of the

Revised Code, in accordance with the director's rules of the

director, to defray the necessary costs of making publications

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required by this chapter, requires and to pay other operating and

administrative expenses incurred by the department of commerce

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The unclaimed funds trust fund shall be assessed a	1616
proportionate share of the administrative costs of the department	1617
of commerce in accordance with procedures prescribed by the	1618
director of commerce <u>prescribes</u> and approved by the director of	1619
budget and management <u>approves</u> . <u>Such The</u> assessment shall be paid	1620
from the unclaimed funds trust fund to the division of	1621
administration fund.	1622

incurs in the administration and enforcement of this chapter.

(C) Earnings on the accounts in financial organizations to 1623 the credit of the mortgage funds shall, at the option of such a 1624 the financial organization, be credited to such the accounts at 1625 such times and at such rates as earnings are paid on other 1626 accounts of the same classification held in the financial 1627 organization or paid to the director. The director shall be 1628 notified annually, and at such other times as the director may 1629 request, of the amount of such the earnings credited to the 1630 accounts. Interest on unclaimed funds retained by a holder retains 1631 shall be paid to the director or credited as specified in the 1632 agreement under which the organization retains the funds. Interest 1633 payable to the director under an agreement to invest unclaimed 1634 funds and obligations of the United States shall be paid annually 1635 by such the holder to the director. Any earnings or interest 1636 received by the director receives under this division shall be 1637 deposited in and credited to the mortgage funds. 1638

sec. 173.08. (A) The resident services coordinator program is
established in the department of aging to fund resident services
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coordinators. The coordinators shall provide information to
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low-income and special-needs tenants, including the elderly, who
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live in subsidized financially assisted rental housing complexes,
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and assist those tenants in identifying and obtaining community
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and program services and other benefits for which they are
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eligible.	1646
(B) The resident services coordinator program fund is hereby	1647
created in the state treasury to support the resident services	1648
coordinator program established pursuant to this section. The fund	1649
consists of all moneys the department of development sets aside	1650
pursuant to division (A)(4) of section $\frac{175.21}{174.02}$ of the	1651
Revised Code and moneys the general assembly appropriates to the	1652
fund.	1653
Sec. 174.01. As used in this chapter:	1654
(A) "Financial assistance" means grants, loans, loan	1655
guarantees, an equity position in a project, or loan subsidies.	1656
(B) "Grant" means funding the department of development or	1657
the Ohio housing finance agency provides for which the department	1658
or the agency does not require repayment.	1659
(C) "Housing" means housing for owner-occupancy and	1660
multifamily rental housing.	1661
(D) "Housing for owner-occupancy" means housing that is	1662
intended for occupancy by an owner as a principal residence.	1663
"Housing for owner-occupancy" may be any type of structure and may	1664
be owned in any type of ownership.	1665
(E) "Housing trust fund" means the low- and moderate-income	1666
housing trust fund created and administered pursuant to Chapter	1667
174. of the Revised Code.	1668
(F) "Lending institution" means any financial institution	1669
qualified to conduct business in this state, a subsidiary	1670
corporation that is wholly owned by a financial institution	1671
qualified to conduct business in this state, and a mortgage lender	1672
whose regular business is originating, servicing, or brokering	1673
real estate loans and who is qualified to do business in this	1674

Sec. 175.21 174.02. (A) The low- and moderate-income housing

trust fund is hereby created in the state treasury. The fund shall

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consist <u>consists</u> of all appropriations made to the fund, housing	1705
trust fund fees collected by county recorders pursuant to section	1706
317.36 of the Revised Code and deposited into the fund pursuant to	1707
section 319.63 of the Revised Code, and all grants, gifts, loan	1708
repayments, and contributions of money made from any source to the	1709
department of development for deposit in the fund. All investment	1710
earnings of the fund shall be credited to the fund. The director	1711
of development shall allocate a portion of the money in the fund	1712
to an account of the Ohio housing finance agency. The department	1713
shall administer the fund. The agency shall use money allocated to	1714
it in the fund for implementing and administering its programs and	1715
duties under sections $\frac{175.22}{174.03}$ and $\frac{175.24}{174.05}$ of the	1716
Revised Code, and the department shall use the remaining money in	1717
the fund for implementing and administering its programs and	1718
duties under sections $\frac{175.22}{174.03}$ to $\frac{175.25}{174.06}$ of the	1719
Revised Code. Use of all money in <u>drawn from</u> the fund is subject	1720
to the following restrictions:	1721

- (1) Not more than six per cent of any current year 1722 appropriation authority for the fund shall be used for the 1723 transitional and permanent housing program to make grants to 1724 municipal corporations, counties, townships, and nonprofit 1725 organizations for the acquisition, rehabilitation, renovation, 1726 construction, conversion, operation, and cost of supportive 1727 services for new and existing transitional and permanent housing 1728 for homeless persons. 1729
- (2)(a) Not more than five per cent of any the current year 1730 appropriation authority for the fund shall be used for grants and 1731 loans allocated between grants to community development 1732 corporations for the community development corporation grant 1733 program and grants and loans to the Ohio community development 1734 finance fund, a private nonprofit corporation. 1735
 - (b) In any year in which the amount in the fund exceeds one 1736

during any one fiscal year shall be for grants and loans to

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nonprofit organizations under section 175.22 174.03 of the Revised

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(7) Not less than fifty per cent of the funds awarded during	1768
any one fiscal year, excluding the amounts awarded pursuant to	1769
divisions (A)(1), $\frac{(A)}{(2)}$, and $\frac{(A)}{(3)}$ of this section, shall be for	1770
grants and loans for activities that provide housing and housing	1771
assistance to families and individuals in rural areas and small	1772
cities that are not eligible to participate as a participating	1773
jurisdiction under the "HOME Investment Partnerships Act," 104	1774
Stat. 4094 (1990), 42 U.S.C. 12701 note, 12721.	1775

- (8) No money in the fund shall be used to pay for any legal 1776
 services other than the usual and customary legal services 1777
 associated with the acquisition of housing. 1778
- (9) Except as otherwise provided by the director under

 division (B) of this section, money Money in the fund may be used

 as matching money for federal funds received by the state,

 counties, municipal corporations, and townships for the activities

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 listed in section 175.22 174.03 of the Revised Code.

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- (B) If, after the second quarter of any year, it appears to 1784 the director that the full amount of the money in the fund 1785 designated in that year for activities that provide housing and 1786 housing assistance to families and individuals in rural areas and 1787 small cities under division (A) of this section will not be used 1788 for that purpose, the director may reallocate all or a portion of 1789 that amount for other housing activities. In determining whether 1790 or how to reallocate money under this division, the director may 1791 consult with and shall receive advice from the housing trust fund 1792 advisory committee. 1793
- Sec. 175.22 174.03. (A) The department of development and the 1794 Ohio housing finance agency shall each develop programs under 1795 which, in accordance with rules adopted under this section, they 1796 may make grants, loans, loan guarantees, and loan subsidies to 1797 counties, municipal corporations, townships, local housing 1798

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authorities, and nonprofit organizations and may make loans, loan	1799
guarantees, and loan subsidies to private developers and private	1800
lenders to assist in activities that provide housing and housing	1801
assistance for specifically targeted low- and moderate-income	1802
families and individuals. There is no minimum housing project size	1803
for awards under this division for any project that is developed	1804
for a special needs population and that is supported by a social	1805
service agency where the housing project is located. Activities	1806
for which grants, loans, loan guarantees, and loan subsidies may	1807
be made under this section include all of the following:	1808

- (1) Acquiring, financing, constructing, leasing,
 rehabilitating, remodeling, improving, and equipping publicly or
 privately owned housing;
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- (2) Providing supportive services related to housing and the homeless, including housing counseling. Not more than twenty per cent of the current year appropriation authority for the low- and moderate-income housing trust fund that remains after the award of funds made pursuant to divisions (A)(1), (A)(2), and (A)(3) of section 175.21 174.02 of the Revised Code, shall be awarded in any fiscal year for supportive services.
- (3) Providing rental assistance payments or other project 1819 operating subsidies that lower tenant rents. 1820
- (B) Grants, loans, loan guarantees, and loan subsidies may be 1821 made to counties, municipal corporations, townships, and nonprofit 1822 organizations for the additional purposes of providing technical 1823 assistance, design and finance services and consultation, and 1824 payment of pre-development and administrative costs related to any of the activities listed above.
- (C) In developing programs under this section, the department 1827 and the agency shall invite, accept, and consider public comment, 1828 and recommendations from the housing trust fund advisory committee 1829

created under section $\frac{175.25}{174.06}$ of the Revised Code, on how	1830
the programs should be designed to most effectively benefit low-	1831
and moderate-income families and individuals. The programs	1832
developed under this section shall respond collectively to housing	1833
and housing assistance needs of low- and moderate-income families	1834
and individuals statewide.	1835

- (D) The department and the agency, in accordance with Chapter 1836 119. of the Revised Code, shall each adopt rules to administer 1837 programs developed under this section. The rules shall prescribe 1838 procedures and forms that counties, municipal corporations, 1839 townships, local housing authorities, and nonprofit organizations 1840 shall use in applying for grants, loans, loan guarantees, and loan 1841 subsidies and that private developers and private lenders shall 1842 use in applying for loans, loan guarantees, and loan subsidies; 1843 eligibility criteria for the receipt of funds; procedures for 1844 reviewing and granting or denying applications; procedures for 1845 paying out funds; conditions on the use of funds; procedures for 1846 monitoring the use of funds; and procedures under which a 1847 recipient shall be required to repay funds that are improperly 1848 used. The rules shall do both of the following: 1849
- (1) Require each recipient of a grant or loan made from the low- and moderate-income housing trust fund for activities that legal provide, or assist in providing, a rental housing project, to legal reasonably ensure that the rental housing project will remain legal affordable to those families and individuals targeted for the legal rental housing project for the useful life of the rental housing legal leg
- (2) Require each recipient of a grant or loan made from the low- and moderate-income housing trust fund for activities that lass provide, or assist in providing, a housing project to prepare and implement a plan to reasonably assist any families and individuals displaced by the housing project in obtaining decent affordable lassist

housing.

(E) In prescribing eligibility criteria and conditions for 1863 the use of funds, neither the department nor the agency is limited 1864 to the criteria and conditions specified in this section and each 1865 may prescribe additional eligibility criteria and conditions that 1866 relate to the purposes for which grants, loans, loan guarantees, 1867 and loan subsidies may be made. However, the department and agency 1868 are limited by the following specifically targeted low- and 1869 moderate-income guidelines: 1870

- (1) Not less than seventy-five per cent of the money granted
 and loaned under this section in any fiscal year shall be for
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 activities that provide affordable housing and housing assistance
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 to families and individuals whose incomes are equal to or less
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 than fifty per cent of the median income for the county in which
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 they live, as determined by the department under section 175.23
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 174.04 of the Revised Code.
- (2) Any money granted and loaned under this section in any 1878 fiscal year that is not granted or loaned pursuant to division 1879 (E)(1) of this section shall be for activities that provide 1880 affordable housing and housing assistance to families and 1881 individuals whose incomes are equal to or less than eighty per 1882 cent of the median income for the county in which they live, as 1883 determined by the department under section 175.23 174.04 of the 1884 Revised Code. 1885
- (F) In making grants, loans, loan guarantees, and loan 1886 subsidies under this section, the department and the agency shall 1887 give preference to viable projects and activities that benefit 1888 those families and individuals whose incomes are equal to or less 1889 than thirty-five per cent of the median income for the county in 1890 which they live, as determined by the department under section 1891 175.23 174.04 of the Revised Code.

(G) The department and the agency shall monitor the programs	1893
developed under this section to ensure that money granted and	1894
loaned under this section is not used in a manner that violates	1895
division (H) of section 4112.02 of the Revised Code or	1896
discriminates against families with children.	1897
Sec. $\frac{175.23}{174.04}$. (A) The department of development shall	1898
make an annual determination of the median income for families and	1899
individuals persons in each county.	1900
(B) The director of development shall determine appropriate	1901
income limits for identifying or classifying low- and	1902
moderate-income persons for the purposes of sections 174.01 to	1903
174.07 of the Revised Code. In making the determination, the	1904
director shall take into consideration the amount of income	1905
available for housing, family size, the cost and condition of	1906
available housing, ability to pay the amounts the private market	1907
charges for decent, safe, and sanitary housing without federal	1908
subsidy or state assistance, and the income eligibility standards	1909
of federal programs. Income limits may vary from area to area	1910
within the state.	1911
Sec. 175.24 174.05. (A) Annually, the department of	1912
development shall submit a report to the president of the senate	1913
and the speaker of the house of representatives describing the	1914
activities of the department under sections $\frac{175.21}{174.01}$ to	1915
$\frac{175.25}{174.07}$ of the Revised Code during the previous state fiscal	1916
year.	1917
(B) Annually, the Ohio housing finance agency shall submit a	1918
report to the president of the senate and the speaker of the house	1919
of representatives describing the activities of the agency under	1920
sections $\frac{175.21}{174.02}$, $\frac{175.22}{174.03}$, and $\frac{175.24}{174.05}$ of the	1921

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Sec. 175.25 174.06 . (A) There is hereby created the housing	1923
trust fund advisory committee. The committee shall consist	1924
consists of fourteen members appointed by the governor appoints as	1925
follows, each of whom shall to represent an organization	1926
organizations committed to housing and housing assistance for low-	1927
and moderate-income persons:	1928
$\frac{(A)(1)}{(1)}$ One member shall to represent lenders.	1929
$\frac{(B)(2)}{(2)}$ One member shall to represent for-profit builders and	1930
developers.	1931
$\frac{(C)}{(3)}$ One member shall to represent the families and	1932
individuals included in the income groups targeted for housing and	1933
housing assistance under divisions (E) and (F) of section $\frac{175.22}{}$	1934
174.03 of the Revised Code.	1935
$\frac{(D)}{(4)}$ One member shall to represent religious, civic, or	1936
social service organizations.	1937
$\frac{(E)(5)}{(5)}$ One member shall to represent counties.	1938
$\frac{(F)(6)}{(6)}$ One member shall to represent municipal corporations.	1939
$\frac{(G)}{(7)}$ One member shall to represent townships.	1940
$\frac{(H)(8)}{(8)}$ One member shall to represent local housing	1941
authorities.	1942
$\frac{(1)(9)}{(9)}$ One member shall to represent fair housing	1943
organizations.	1944
$\frac{J}{J}$ Three members shall to represent nonprofit	1945
organizations.	1946
$\frac{(K)(11)}{(11)}$ One member shall to represent real estate brokers	1947
licensed under Chapter 4735. of the Revised Code.	1948
$\frac{(L)(12)}{(12)}$ One member shall to represent the for-profit rental	1949
housing industry.	1950

(B)(1) Terms of office shall be are for four years, with each	1951
term ending on the same day of the same month as did the term that	1952
it succeeds. Each member shall hold office from the date of his	1953
appointment until the end of the term for which he the member was	1954
appointed. Vacancies shall be filled in the manner prescribed for	1955
the original appointment. A member appointed to fill a vacancy	1956
occurring prior to the expiration of the <u>a</u> term for which his	1957
predecessor was appointed shall hold office for the remainder of	1958
that term. A member shall continue in office subsequent to the	1959
expiration of his <u>a</u> term until his <u>a</u> successor takes office or	1960
until a period of sixty days has elapsed, whichever occurs first.	1961
(2) The governor may remove a member appointed by him, for	1962
misfeasance, malfeasance, or willful neglect of duty.	1963
(C)(1) The committee shall select a chairman chairperson from	1964
among its members. The committee shall meet at least once each	1965
calendar year and upon the call of the chair. Members of the	1966
committee shall serve without compensation, but shall be	1967
reimbursed for reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in the	1968
discharge of their duties.	1969
(2) The department of development shall provide the committee	1970
with a meeting place, supplies, and staff assistance as requested	1971
by the committee <u>requests</u> .	1972
(D) The committee shall assist the department and the Ohio	1973
housing finance agency in defining housing needs and priorities,	1974
shall make recommendations recommend to the department and agency	1975
at least annually on how the programs developed under section	1976
175.21 174.02 of the Revised Code should be designed to most	1977
effectively benefit low- and moderate-income families and	1978
individuals persons, consider an allocation of funds for projects	1979
of fifteen units or less, and advise the director of development	1980

on whether and how to reallocate money in the low- and

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moderate-income housing trust fund under division (B) of section	1982
175.21 174.02 of the Revised Code.	1983
Sec. 175.26 174.07. Neither the The department of development	1984
nor, on its own and on the behalf of the Ohio housing finance	1985
agency and the Ohio department of aging, shall make a obtain	1986
controlling board approval prior to making any grant, loan, loan	1987
guarantee, or loan subsidy greater than fifty thousand dollars	1988
from or allocated from the low- and moderate-income housing trust	1989
fund without first obtaining the approval of the controlling	1990
board.	1991
Sec. 175.01. As used in this chapter:	1992
(A) "Bonds" means bonds, notes, debentures, refunding bonds,	1993
refunding notes, and other obligations.	1994
(B) "Financial assistance" means grants, loans, loan	1995
guarantees, an equity position in a project, and loan subsidies.	1996
(C) "Grant" means funding for which repayment is not	1997
required.	1998
(D) "Homeownership program" means any program for which the	1999
Ohio housing finance agency provides financing, directly or	2000
indirectly, for the purchase of housing for owner-occupancy.	2001
(E) "Housing" means housing for owner-occupancy and	2002
multifamily rental housing.	2003
(F) "Housing development fund" means the housing development	2004
fund created and administered pursuant to section 175.11 of the	2005
Revised Code.	2006
(G) "Housing finance agency personal services fund" means the	2007
housing finance agency personal services fund created and	2008
administered pursuant to section 175.051 of the Revised Code.	2009
(H) "Housing for owner-occupancy" means housing that is	2010

agency extends to lending institutions and indebtedness the agency 2032 purchases from lending institutions. 2033 (M) "Loan quarantee" means any agreement in favor of a 2034 lending institution, bondholder, or other lender in which the 2035 credit and resources of the housing finance agency or the housing 2036 trust fund are pledged to secure the payment or collection of 2037 financing extended to a borrower for the acquisition, 2038 construction, improvement, rehabilitation, or preservation of 2039 housing or to refinance any financing previously extended for 2040 those purposes. 2041

(N) "Loan subsidy" means any deposit of funds the Ohio	2042
housing finance agency holds or administers into a lending	2043
institution with the authorization or direction that the income or	2044
revenues the deposit earns, or could have earned at competitive	2045
rates, be applied directly or indirectly to the benefit of housing	2046
assistance or financial assistance.	2047
(0) "Low- and moderate-income persons" means individuals and	2048
families who qualify as low- and moderate-income persons pursuant	2049
to guidelines the agency establishes.	2050
(P) "Multifamily rental housing" means multiple unit housing	2051
intended for rental occupancy.	2052
(O) "Nonprofit organization" means a nonprofit organization	2053
in good standing and qualified to conduct business in this state	2054
including any corporation whose members are members of a	2055
metropolitan housing authority.	2056
(R) "Owner" means any person who, jointly or severally, has	2057
legal or equitable title to housing together with the right to	2058
control or possess that housing. "Owner" includes a purchaser of	2059
housing pursuant to a land installment contract if that contract	2060
vests possession and maintenance responsibilities in the	2061
purchaser, and a person who has care or control of housing as	2062
executor, administrator, assignee, trustee, or quardian of the	2063
estate of the owner of that housing.	2064
(S) "Security interest" means any lien, encumbrance, pledge,	2065
assignment, mortgage, or other form of collateral the Ohio housing	2066
finance agency holds as security for financial assistance the	2067
agency extends or a loan the agency acquires.	2068
Sec. 175.02. (A) There is hereby created the Ohio housing	2069
finance agency, a body corporate and politic, performing essential	2070
governmental functions of the state. The mission of the agency	2071

includes but is not limited to assisting with the financing,	2072
refinancing, production, development, and preservation of safe,	2073
decent, and affordable housing for occupancy by low- and	2074
moderate-income persons; provision of rental assistance and	2075
housing services for low- and moderate income persons; allocating	2076
all state and federal funds in accordance with applicable state	2077
and federal laws, including Section 42 of the Internal Revenue	2078
Code; and promoting community development, economic stability, and	2079
growth within Ohio. To accomplish this mission, the agency shall	2080
work with persons eligible for its programs, nonprofit	2081
organizations and for-profit housing development entities, public	2082
entities, and lending institutions. The agency may review	2083
conformity with its programs and monitor a recipient's use of	2084
funds it provides to assure compliance.	2085
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(B) It is hereby declared to be the public purpose of this	2086
state to improve and promote the public health, safety,	2087
convenience, welfare, and prosperity of the people of the state by	2088
the production and preservation of housing in accordance with	2089
applicable state and federal laws.	2090
Sec. 175.03. (A)(1) The Ohio housing finance agency consists	2091
of eleven members. The governor, with the advice and consent of	2092
the senate, shall appoint nine of the members. The other two	2093
members are the director of commerce and the director of	2094
development or their respective designees.	2095
(2) The governor shall appoint one member with experience in	2096
residential housing construction; one with experience in	2097
residential housing mortgage lending, loan servicing, or brokering	2098
at an institution insured by the federal deposit insurance	2099
corporation; one with experience in the licensed residential	2100
housing brokerage business; one with experience with the housing	2101
needs of senior citizens; one with a background in labor	2102

representation in the construction industry; one to represent the	2103
interests of nonprofit multifamily housing development	2104
organizations; one to represent the interests of for-profit	2105
multifamily housing development organizations; and two who are	2106
public members.	2107
(3) The governor shall receive recommendations from the Ohio	2108
housing council for appointees to represent the interests of	2109
nonprofit multifamily housing development organizations and	2110
for-profit multifamily housing development organizations.	2111
(4) Not more than six of the appointed members of the agency	2112
may be of the same political party.	2113
(B)(1) Of the initial appointments the governor makes, one	2114
member representing the public has an initial term ending January	2115
31, 2010, the other member representing the public has an initial	2116
term ending January 31, 2008, the member with a background in	2117
labor representation in the construction industry has an initial	2118
term ending January 31, 2011, the member with experience in	2119
residential housing mortgage lending, loan servicing, or brokering	2120
has an initial term ending January 31, 2008, the member with	2121
experience with the housing needs of senior citizens has an	2122
initial term ending January 31, 2006, the member representing the	2123
interests of nonprofit multifamily housing development	2124
organizations has an initial term ending January 31, 2007, the	2125
member representing the interests of for-profit multifamily	2126
housing development organizations has an initial term ending	2127
January 31, 2006, and the member with experience in residential	2128
housing construction and the member with experience in licensed	2129
residential housing brokerage each has an initial term ending	2130
January 31, 2009. Thereafter, each appointed member shall serve	2131
for a term of six years with each term ending on the thirty-first	2132
day of January, six years following the termination date of the	2133
term it succeeds. There is no limit on the number of terms a	2134

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(b) The member does not participate in the discussion or vote	2166
on the contract if the contract secures a grant or loan that	2167
directly benefits the member, a family member, or a business	2168
associate of the member.	2169
(4)(a) Each appointed agency member shall receive	2170
compensation at the rate of two hundred fifty dollars per agency	2171
meeting attended in person, not to exceed a maximum of four	2172
thousand dollars per year.	2173
(b) The compensation rate for appointed members applies until	2174
six years after the effective date of this section, at which time	2175
the members may increase the compensation for members who are	2176
appointed or reappointed after that time. All members are entitled	2177
to reimbursement in accordance with section 126.31 of the Revised	2178
Code for expenses incurred in the discharge of official duties.	2179
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Sec. 175.04. (A) The governor shall appoint a chairperson	2180
from among the members. The agency members shall elect a member as	2181
vice-chairperson. The agency members may appoint other officers,	2182
who need not be members of the agency, as the agency deems	2183
necessary.	2184
(B) Six members of the agency constitute a quorum and the	2185
affirmative vote of six members is necessary for any action the	2186
agency takes. No vacancy in agency membership impairs the right of	2187
a quorum to exercise all of the agency's rights and perform all	2188
the agency's duties. Agency meetings may be held at any place	2189
within the state. Meetings shall comply with section 121.22 of the	2190
Revised Code.	2191
(C) The agency shall maintain accounting records in	2192
accordance with generally accepted accounting principals and other	2193
required accounting standards.	2194
(D) The agency shall develop policies and quidelines for the	2195

administration of its programs and annually shall conduct at least	2196
one public hearing to obtain input from any interested party	2197
regarding the administration of its programs. The hearing shall be	2198
held at a time and place as the agency determines and when a	2199
quorum of the agency is present.	2200
(E) The agency shall appoint committees and subcommittees	2201
comprised of members of the agency to handle matters it deems	2202
appropriate.	2203
(1) The agency shall adopt an annual plan to address this	2204
state's housing needs. The agency shall appoint an annual plan	2205
committee to develop the plan and present it to the agency for	2206
consideration.	2207
(2) The annual plan committee shall select an advisory board	2208
from a list of interested individuals the executive director	2209
provides or on its own recommendation. The advisory board shall	2210
provide input on the plan at committee meetings prior to the	2211
annual public hearing. At the public hearing, the committee shall	2212
discuss advisory board comments. The advisory board may include,	2213
but is not limited to, persons who represent state agencies, local	2214
governments, public corporations, nonprofit organizations,	2215
community development corporations, housing advocacy organizations	2216
for low- and moderate-income persons, realtors, syndicators,	2217
investors, lending institutions as recommended by a statewide	2218
banking organization, and other entities participating in the	2219
agency's programs.	2220
Each agency program that allows for loans to be made to	2221
finance housing for owner occupancy that benefits other than low-	2222
and moderate-income households, or for loans to be made to	2223
individuals under bonds issued pursuant to division (B) of section	2224
175.08 of the Revised Code, shall be presented to the advisory	2225
board and included in the annual plan as approved by the agency	2226

or that are directly or indirectly within the agency's control,	2257
including proceeds from the sale of bonds, revenues, and	2258
otherwise, in trust for the purpose of exercising its powers and	2259
carrying out its duties pursuant to this chapter. Notwithstanding	2260
any other provision of the Revised Code other than section 175.051	2261
of the Revised Code, at no time shall the agency's moneys, funds,	2262
properties, or assets be considered public moneys, public funds,	2263
public properties, or public assets or subject to Chapters 131.	2264
and 135. of the Revised Code.	2265
(5) Maintain a principal office and other offices within the	2266
state.	2267
(B) The Ohio housing finance agency may do any of the	2268
following related to the agency's operation:	2269
(1) Except as otherwise provided in section 174.04 of the	2270
Revised Code, determine income limits for low- and moderate-income	2271
persons and establish periodic reviews of income limits. In	2272
determining income limits, the agency shall take into	2273
consideration the amount of income available for housing, family	2274
size, the cost and condition of available housing, ability to pay	2275
the amounts the private market charges for decent, safe, and	2276
sanitary housing without federal subsidy or state assistance, and	2277
the income eligibility standards of federal programs. Income	2278
limits may vary from area to area within the state.	2279
(2) Provide technical information, advice, and assistance	2280
related to obtaining federal and state aid to assist in the	2281
planning, construction, rehabilitation, refinancing, and operation	2282
of housing;	2283
(3) Provide information, assistance, or instruction	2284
concerning agency programs, eligibility requirements, application	2285
procedures, and other related matters;	2286
(4) Procure or require the procurement of insurance and pay	2287

(b) Receive assistance or contributions from any	2319
nongovernment source to include money, property, labor, or things	2320
of value, to be held, used, and applied only for the purposes for	2321
which the grants and contributions are made and within the	2322
purposes of this chapter.	2323
(10) Sue and be sued in its own name with respect to its	2324
contracts, obligations, and covenants, or the enforcement of this	2325
chapter. Any actions against the agency shall be brought in a	2326
court of competent jurisdiction located in Franklin county, Ohio.	2327
(11) Enter into any contract, commitment, or agreement and	2328
execute any instrument necessary or incidental to the performance	2329
of duties and the execution of powers;	2330
(12) Adopt an official seal;	2331
(13)(a) Contract with any private or government entity to	2332
administer programs for which the agency receives sufficient	2333
revenues for its services or the agency supports with uncommitted	2334
agency resources that pay the agency's operating costs;	2335
(b) Administer state and federal programs for which the	2336
governor designates the agency to act as administrator. The agency	2337
may charge administrative fees to the state, the federal	2338
government, or a program recipient.	2339
(14) Notwithstanding any other provision of the Revised Code,	2340
establish, maintain, administer, and close funds and accounts as	2341
convenient or appropriate to the agency's operations;	2342
(15) Establish a policy to permit the investment of agency	2343
funds in securities and obligations;	2344
(16) Establish rules and procedures that the agency	2345
determines are appropriate to appeal the agency's actions and	2346
<u>decisions;</u>	2347
(17) Serve housing needs in instances that the agency	2348

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determines necessary as a public purpose;	2349
(18) Provide coverage for its employees under Chapters 145.,	2350
4123., and 4141. of the Revised Code;	2351
(19) Adopt rules pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised	2352
Code;	2353
(20) Do anything necessary or appropriate to exercise the	2354
powers of this chapter and carry out the purposes of this chapter	2355
and Section 14, Article VIII and Section 16, Article VIII, Ohio	2356
Constitution.	2357
(C) The attorney general shall serve as the legal	2358
representative for the Ohio housing finance agency and may appoint	2359
special counsel for that purpose in accordance with section 109.07	2360
of the Revised Code.	2361
Sec. 175.051. There is hereby created in the state treasury	2362
the housing finance agency personal services fund. The fund shall	2363
consist of moneys within the control of the Ohio housing finance	2364
agency that the agency, or the treasurer of state on behalf of the	2365
agency, periodically deposits into the state treasury to the	2366
credit of the fund in order to pay the compensation of the	2367
employees of the agency. Amounts credited to the fund shall be	2368
used by the agency to pay the compensation of the employees of the	2369
agency.	2370
Sec. 175.06. (A) The Ohio housing finance agency shall do all	2371
of the following related to carrying out its programs:	2372
(1) Upon the governor's designation, serve as the housing	2373
credit agency for the state and perform all responsibilities of a	2374
housing credit agency pursuant to Section 42 of the Internal	2375
Revenue Code and similar applicable laws;	2376
(2) Require that housing that benefits from the agency's	2377

approve funding for any multifamily rental housing to be	2437
constructed with agency assistance or pursuant to any program the	2438
agency operates or administers unless the applicant provides	2439
notice of the proposed project as this section requires.	2440
(2) Any notice shall be in writing and delivered by certified	2441
mail. The notice shall include the proposed project's address, the	2442
number of units in the project, a description of the project, a	2443
statement of whether the project is new construction,	2444
rehabilitation, or other, a summary of the programs that the	2445
project will utilize, and the address of the agency and the person	2446
to whom to direct comments. The notice shall inform recipients of	2447
their right to submit, within thirty days of the mailing date of	2448
the notice, comments to the agency regarding the proposed	2449
project's impact on the community and that objection to the	2450
project must be submitted in writing and signed by a majority of	2451
the voting members of the legislative body.	2452
(3) An applicant requesting funds for a project of more than	2453
ten units shall provide the notice to all of the following:	2454
(a) The chief executive officer and the clerk of the	2455
legislative body of any municipal corporation in which the project	2456
is proposed to be constructed or that is within one-half mile of	2457
the project's boundaries;	2458
(b) The clerk of any township in which the project is	2459
proposed to be constructed or that is within one-half mile of the	2460
project's boundaries;	2461
(c) The clerk of the board of county commissioners of any	2462
county in which the project is proposed to be constructed or that	2463
is within one-half mile of the project's boundaries.	2464
(4) An applicant requesting funds for a project with ten or	2465
fewer units shall provide the notice to the chief elected official	2466
of the jurisdiction in which the project is proposed to be	2467

constructed, except that if more than one individual serves as the	246
chief elected official, the applicant shall deliver the notice to	246
the clerk of the legislative body of that jurisdiction.	247
(5) To object to a proposed project, a recipient of a notice	247
shall do both of the following:	247
(a) Submit a written objection that is signed by a majority	247
of the voting members of the legislative body in which the project	247
is proposed to be constructed or that is within one-half mile of	247
the project's boundaries;	247
(b) Send a copy of the written objection to the executive	247
director of the agency by certified mail, return receipt	247
requested, so that the agency receives the objection within	247
forty-five days after the applicant mailed the notice to the	248
recipient.	248
(6) The agency shall provide a written response to any	248
objections that it receives pursuant to division (A)(5) of this	248
section.	248
(7) The agency shall hold a public hearing to receive	248
comments of residents of any political subdivision in which the	248
multifamily rental housing is proposed to be constructed with the	248
assistance of the agency's multifamily bond program. The applicant	248
shall provide notice of the hearing to all persons listed in	248
divisions (A)(3) and (4) of this section and ten days in advance	249
of the hearing shall publish a notice of the hearing in a	249
newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the	249
project is proposed to be constructed. The agency shall hold the	249
public hearing in the county in which the project is proposed to	249
be constructed.	249
(B) For purposes of this section, "constructed" means the	249
creation of multifamily rental housing units through new	249
construction or the conversion of an existing nonresidential	240

building into multifamily rental housing units.	2499
Sec. 175.08. (A) The Ohio housing finance agency may use the	2500
proceeds of bonds to carry out the agency's lawful purposes.	2501
(B) The agency is the sole entity in the state that may issue	2502
bonds pursuant to Section 143(a) of the Internal Revenue Code or	2503
any similar provision of law. When the agency issues bonds to fund	2504
its homeownership program, it shall take all diligent measures to	2505
maximize the distribution of mortgage loans statewide, especially	2506
in underserved areas of the state, including but not limited to	2507
attempting to involve qualified lending institutions throughout	2508
the state.	2509
(C) Bonds issued pursuant to this chapter need not comply	2510
with any provision of the Revised Code not in this chapter that	2511
applies to the issuance of bonds or notes. Notwithstanding any	2512
other provision of the Revised Code, the deposit, application,	2513
safeguarding, and investment of agency funds received or held	2514
under the agency's bond proceedings are not subject to Chapters	2515
131. and 135. of the Revised Code and at no time are those funds	2516
public moneys or public funds.	2517
(D)(1) Bonds issued pursuant to this chapter do not	2518
constitute a debt or the pledge of the faith and credit of this	2519
state or any political subdivision of this state. The holders or	2520
owners of the agency's bonds have no right to require the general	2521
assembly or the taxing authority of any political subdivision to	2522
levy taxes for the payment of the principal or interest on the	2523
agency's bonds. Money raised by taxation shall not be obligated or	2524
pledged for the payment of the principal or interest on bonds the	2525
agency issues pursuant to this chapter.	2526
(2) Bonds issued pursuant to this chapter are payable solely	2527
from the revenues and security interests pledged for their payment	2528

as authorized by this chapter, except for bonds the agency issues	2529
in anticipation of the issuance of bonds and bonds that are	2530
refunded by refunding bonds. Refunding bonds are payable solely	2531
from revenues and security interests pledged for their payment as	2532
authorized by this chapter.	2533
(E)(1) Any pledge on bonds is valid and binding from the time	2534
the pledge is made, and the revenues and security interests	2535
pledged and received are immediately subject to the lien of the	2536
pledge without any physical delivery or further act. The lien of	2537
the pledge is valid and binding as against all parties having	2538
claims of any kind in tort, contract, or otherwise against the	2539
agency, irrespective of whether the parties have notice of the	2540
lien of the pledge.	2541
(2) Any resolution or trust agreement by which a pledge is	2542
created need not be filed or recorded except in the records of the	2543
agency. Any bond shall contain on its face a statement to the	2544
effect that the bond, as to both principal and interest, is not a	2545
debt of this state or any political subdivision of this state, but	2546
is payable solely from the revenues and security interests pledged	2547
for its payment.	2548
(F) The agency may issue bonds for any term, at any interest	2549
rate, use any method of calculating interest including a variable	2550
interest rate, and include any provision or condition authorized	2551
pursuant to resolutions the agency adopts. The agency may	2552
authorize bonds of any denomination, form, registration privilege,	2553
medium of payment, place of payment, and term of redemption.	2554
(G) The agency may sell bonds at public or private sale, for	2555
an amount not less than the price that the agency establishes. The	2556
agency chairperson or vice chairperson and any other officer that	2557
the agency designates shall execute the bonds manually or by	2558
facsimile signature. The agency may affix or print the agency's	2559

official seal or a facsimile on the bonds. Any coupons attached to	2560
the bonds shall bear the signature or facsimile signature of the	2561
chairperson or vice chairperson and any other officer the agency	2562
designates. If an officer whose signature appears on bonds or	2563
coupons ceases to be an officer before the delivery of the bonds,	2564
that signature or facsimile is sufficient for all purposes as if	2565
the officer had remained in office. If the agency changes its seal	2566
after a facsimile is imprinted on the bonds, the imprinted	2567
facsimile seal is sufficient for all purposes. The agency may	2568
execute bonds in book entry form in any manner appropriate to that	2569
form.	2570
(H)(1) Any resolution that authorizes bonds or an issue of	2571
bonds may do any of the following:	2572
(a) Pledge any of the agency's revenues and security	2573
interests to secure the payment of bonds or any issue of bonds;	2574
(b) Specify the use, investment, and disposition of the	2575
agency's revenues;	2576
(c) Agree to establish, alter, and collect fees and other	2577
charges in an amount that pledged revenues are sufficient to pay	2578
the costs of operation and pay the principal and interest on bonds	2579
secured by the pledge of the revenues;	2580
(d) Provide reserves that the resolution or trust agreement	2581
requires;	2582
(e) Set aside reserve funds or sinking funds and regulate and	2583
dispose of those funds;	2584
(f) Credit the proceeds of the sale of bonds to and among the	2585
funds referred to or provided for in the trust agreement or the	2586
resolution that authorized the issuance of bonds;	2587
(g) Establish limits on the purposes to which the proceeds of	2588
the sale of bonds may be applied and pledge those proceeds to	2589

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chapter may be secured by a trust agreement between the agency and a corporate trustee, which may be any trust company or financial 2 institution having that has the powers of a trust company within 2 or without the state but authorized and is qualified to exercise 2 those trust powers within the this state. Any such A trust 2 agreement may pledge or assign the agency's revenues and security 2	620 621 622 623 624 625 626 627 628 629
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interests of the agency held or to be received holds or is to 2	629
receive. Any such trust agreement or any resolution providing that 2	
<pre>provides for the issuance of such bonds may contain such</pre>	630
reasonable and proper provisions for protecting and enforcing that 2	550
<pre>protect and enforce the rights and remedies of the bondholders as 2</pre>	631
are reasonable and proper and not in violation of do not violate 2	632
any law, including covenants setting or covenant that sets forth 2	633
the <u>agency's</u> duties of the agency in relation to the fees, 2	634
interest rates , or other charges to be imposed for the loans made 2	635
or purchased or the agency makes or purchases, services rendered 2	636
by the agency <u>renders</u> , and the custody, safekeeping, and	637
application of all moneys. Any	638
(2) Any financial institution or trust company which may act 2	639
that acts as a depository of the proceeds of bonds or of,	640
revenues_ or reserve funds may furnish such indemnifying bonds or 2	641
may pledge such securities as are required by that the agency 2	642
<u>requires</u> . <u>Any such The</u> trust agreement may set forth the rights 2	643
and remedies of the bondholders and of the trustee, and may 2	644
restrict the individual right of action by bondholders as is	645
customary in trust agreements or trust indentures securing similar 2	646
bonds. Such 2	647

(3) A trust agreement may contain such other provisions as

the agency considers reasonable and proper for the security of the

and loan associations, deposit guarantee associations, trust

companies, trustees, fiduciaries, insurance companies, including

domestic for life and domestic not for life, trustees or other

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officers having charge of sinking and bond retirement or other	2681
special funds of political subdivisions and taxing districts of	2682
this state, the treasurer of state, the administrator of workers'	2683
compensation, the state teachers retirement system, the public	2684
employees retirement system, the school employees retirement	2685
system, and the Ohio police and fire pension fund, notwithstanding	2686
any other provision of the Revised Code or rules adopted pursuant	2687
thereto by any governmental agency of the this state with respect	2688
to investments by them , and are acceptable as security for the	2689
deposit of public moneys.	2690

- (B) The exercise of the powers granted by this chapter will

 be grants is in all respects for the benefit of the people of the

 state, for the improvement of their health, safety, convenience,

 and economic welfare, and for the enhancement of the opportunities

 for safe and sanitary housing and is a public purpose. The

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- (C) The programs undertaken by the Ohio housing finance agency constitute the performance of essential public functions, and the bonds issued under this chapter, their transfer, and the income therefrom from those bonds, including any profit made on the their sale thereof, is at all times free from taxation within the this state.

Sec. 175.11. (A) There is hereby created the housing 2702 development fund, which shall be in the custody of the treasurer 2703 of state but shall not be part of the state treasury. The fund 2704 shall consist of all grants, gifts, loan repayments, and 2705 contributions of money made from any source to the Ohio housing 2706 finance agency for deposit into the fund in addition to amounts 2707 loaned to the agency pursuant to section 169.05 of the Revised 2708 Code. The agency shall administer the fund. The agency may request 2709 funds as needed pursuant to section 169.05 of the Revised Code to 2710 fund loans, loan quarantees, and loan subsidies. The agency may 2711

(D) Any state agency that provides supplies, equipment, or	2741
services directly related to the mission of the Ohio housing	2742
finance agency as described in section 175.02 of the Revised Code	2743
may enter into an agreement with the Ohio housing finance agency	2744
to furnish those supplies, equipment, or services pursuant to	2745
terms both agencies agree upon for remuneration to the state	2746
agency.	2747
(E) The Ohio housing finance agency is exempt from the	2748
requirements of Chapters 123. and 125. and sections 127.16 and	2749
5147.07 of the Revised Code.	2750
Sec. 175.13. (A) Any agreement the Ohio housing finance	2751
agency enters into with bondholders is a contract that the agency	2752
shall enforce and no action of the general assembly or any state	2753
agency may limit or alter the terms of that agreement or the	2754
authority of the agency or its successors to fulfill the terms of	2755
that agreement. No state agency may impair any right or remedy of	2756
the holders of bonds until the agency has fully met and discharged	2757
its bond obligations, together with interest, interest on any	2758
unpaid installments of interest, and costs and expenses related to	2759
any bondholder action or proceeding. The agency may include in any	2760
bond agreement a statement that sets forth the agency's authority	2761
to enforce agreements pursuant to this section.	2762
(B) Bonds the agency issues are at all times bonds of the	2763
state, subject to this chapter. The agency and officers of the	2764
state may do all things necessary so that the interest on bonds	2765
the agency intends to be exempt from federal taxation remains	2766
exempt from federal income taxation. Any error or failure in	2767
efforts to assure tax exemption does not affect the validity of	2768
the bonds.	2769

Sec. 176.05. (A)(1) Notwithstanding any provision of law to 2770

Code for any of the occupations covered by those sections.	2802		
(B) Except for the prevailing rate of wages determined by the	2803		
director pursuant to sections 4115.03 to 4115.16 of the Revised	2804		
Code, those sections and section 4115.99 of the Revised Code apply	2805		
to projects.	2806		
(C) The residential prevailing rate of wages established	2807		
under division (A) of this section is not payable to any	2808		
individual or member of that individual's family who provides	2809		
labor in exchange for acquisition of the property for	2810		
homeownership or who provides labor in place of or as a supplement	2811		
to any rental payments for the property.	2812		
(D) For the purposes of this section:	2813		
(1) "Project" means any construction, rehabilitation,	2814		
remodeling, or improvement of residential housing, whether on a	2815		
single or multiple site for which a person, as defined in section			
1.59 of the Revised Code, or municipal corporation, county, or	2817		
township receives financing, that is financed in whole or in part	2818		
from state moneys or pursuant to this chapter, section 133.51 or	2819		
307.698 of the Revised Code, or Chapter $\underline{174.}$ or $\underline{175.}$ of the	2820		
Revised Code, except for any of the following:	2821		
(a) The single-family mortgage revenue bonds homeownership	2822		
program under Chapter 175. of the Revised Code, including	2823		
owner-occupied dwellings of one to four units;	2824		
(b) Projects consisting of fewer than six units developed by	2825		
any entity that is not a nonprofit organization exempt from	2826		
federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue	2827		
Code;	2828		
(c) Projects of fewer than twenty-five units developed by any	2829		
nonprofit organization that is exempt from federal income tax	2830		
under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code;			

(d) Programs undertaken by any municipal corporation, county,	2832
or township, including lease-purchase programs, using mortgage	2833
revenue bond financing;	2834

(e) Any individual project, that is sponsored or developed by 2835 a nonprofit organization that is exempt from federal income tax 2836 under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, for which 2837 the federal government or any of its agencies furnishes by loan, 2838 grant, low-income housing tax credit, or insurance more than 2839 twelve per cent of the costs of the project. For purposes of 2840 division (D)(2)(e) of this section, the value of the low-income 2841 housing tax credits shall be calculated as the proceeds from the 2842 sale of the tax credits, less the costs of the sale. 2843

As used in division (D)(1)(e) of this section, "sponsored" 2844 means that the general partner of a limited partnership owning the 2845 project is either a nonprofit organization that is exempt from 2846 federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue 2847 Code or a person, as defined in section 1.59 of the Revised Code, 2848 in which such a nonprofit organization maintains controlling 2849 interest.

Nothing in division (D)(1)(e) of this section shall be

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construed as permitting unrelated projects to be combined for the

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sole purpose of determining the total percentage of project costs

furnished by the federal government or any of its agencies.

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- (2) A "project" is a "public improvement" and the state or a 2855 political subdivision that undertakes or participates in the 2856 financing of a project is a "public authority," as both of the 2857 last two terms are defined in section 4115.03 of the Revised Code. 2858
- (3) "Qualified volunteers" are volunteers who are working 2859 without compensation for a nonprofit organization that is exempt 2860 from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal 2861 Revenue Code, and that is providing housing or housing assistance 2862

national origin.

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only to families and individuals in a county whose incomes are not			
greater than one hundred forty per cent of the median income of	2864		
that county as determined under section $\frac{175.23}{174.04}$ of the	2865		
Revised Code.	2866		
Sec. 176.06. (A) Each municipal corporation, county, and	2867		
township shall compile and make available, in accordance with this	2868		
section, to the public for inspection and copying for a period of	2869		
five years, the number and total dollar amount of mortgage loans	2870		
that were originated, for which completed applications were	2871		
received and applicants were rejected, and that were purchased by	2872		
that municipal corporation, county, or township during each fiscal	2873		
year. Information regarding each of the mortgage loan categories	2874		
listed above category described in this section shall be itemized	2875		
to clearly and conspicuously disclose the following:	2876		
$\frac{(A)}{(1)}$ The number and dollar amount of mortgage loans insured	2877		
under Title II of the "National Housing Act," 48 Stat. 1246	2878		
(1934), 12 U.S.C.A. 1707 et seq., or under Title V of the "Housing	2879		
Act of 1949," 63 Stat. 413, 432, 42 U.S.C.A. 1471 et seq., or	2880		
guaranteed under the "Veterans' Loan Act," 58 Stat. 284 (1944), 38	2881		
U.S.C.A. 1801 et seq.;	2882		
$\frac{(B)(2)}{(B)}$ The number and dollar amount of mortgage loans made to	2883		
mortgagors who did not, at the time of execution of the mortgage,	2884		
intend to reside in the property securing the mortgage loan;	2885		
$\frac{(C)}{(3)}$ The number and dollar amount of home improvement	2886		
loans;	2887		
$\frac{(D)(4)}{(D)}$ The number and dollar amount of mortgage loans	2888		
involving mortgagors or mortgage applicants grouped according to	2889		
census tract, income level, race, color, religion, sex, ancestry,	2890		
disability as defined in section 4112.01 of the Revised Code, and	2891		

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(B) The information described in this section shall be made 2893 available to the public in raw data form and updated quarterly. 2894 Within four months after the end of each fiscal year, each 2895 municipal corporation, county, and township shall submit to the 2896 president of the senate and the speaker of the house of 2897 representatives a report containing the information described in 2898 this section for the immediately preceding fiscal year. 2899 (C) As used in this section, "mortgage loan" has the same 2900 meaning as in section 175.01 of the Revised Code means a loan 2901 secured by a mortgage, deed of trust, or other security interest 2902 to finance the acquisition, construction, improvement, or 2903 rehabilitation of single-family residential housing. 2904 Sec. 176.07. The director of development, in consultation 2905 with the public and the housing trust fund advisory committee 2906 created under section 175.25 174.06 of the Revised Code, shall 2907 develop regulations applicable to all existing and future state 2908 housing loan, loan guarantee, loan subsidy, and grant programs. 2909 The regulations shall require recipients of financing from state 2910 housing programs, that provide or assist in providing multi-family 2911 rental housing, to do both of the following: 2912 (A) Reasonably ensure that the multi-family rental housing 2913 will be affordable to those families and individuals targeted for 2914 the multi-family rental housing for the useful life of the 2915 multi-family rental housing or thirty years, whichever is longer; 2916 (B) Prepare and implement a plan to reasonably assist any 2917 families and individuals displaced by the multi-family housing in 2918 obtaining decent affordable housing. 2919 The department of development shall distribute a copy of 2920

these regulations to each local housing advisory board to serve as

a guideline for carrying out the requirements of divisions (D)(2)

(B) A lending institution, service corporation, or any person

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engaged in providing real estate brokerage services to third	2953
parties at all times shall be identified as separate and distinct	2954
from any lending institution with which it is affiliated or	2955
associated and shall hold itself out as such separate and distinct	2956
by doing both of the following:	2957
(1) Providing full and complete disclosure in writing of its	2958
relationship with the lending institution to persons who employ it	2959
to provide real estate brokerage services;	2960
(2) Separately identifying any office space it uses in any	2961
building also used by the lending institution.	2962
(C) No such service corporation, real estate broker, or	2963
person associated with a lending institution shall represent to	2964
the public or to any person employing the corporation, real estate	2965
broker, or person to provide real estate brokerage services that	2966
the lending institution offers or will offer different terms and	2967
conditions on mortgage loans to those who employ the corporation,	2968
real estate broker, or person for real estate brokerage services	2969
than to persons who do not so employ the corporation, real estate	2970
broker, or person.	2971
(D) This section does not apply to real estate owned by	2972
lending institutions.	2973
(E) Subject to division (F) of this section, the director of	2974
commerce and appropriate division superintendents within the	2975
department of commerce shall enforce this section.	2976
(F)(1)(a) The superintendent of real estate shall enforce and	2977
administer this section insofar as it relates to persons licensed	2978
as real estate brokers pursuant to Chapter 4735. of the Revised	2979
Code. In that enforcement and administration, the superintendent	2980
possesses and may use the authority conferred upon him by that	2981

(b) The director of commerce, and the superintendent of $\frac{1}{100}$	2983
any division within the department of commerce that has	2984
jurisdiction over a particular lending institution, shall enforce	2985
and administer this section insofar as it relates to that lending	2986
institution. Correspondingly, the The superintendent of real	2987
estate shall not enforce and administer this section insofar as it	2988
relates to any lending institution.	2989

(2) If a Any licensed real estate broker who is subject to

the requirements of division (B) of this section or the

prohibition of division (C) of this section who fails to comply

with those requirements or that prohibition, the failure

constitutes either division is quilty of misconduct for purposes

of division (A)(6) of section 4735.18 of the Revised Code.

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Sec. 4582.54. Moneys in the funds of the port authority, 2996 except as otherwise provided in any resolution authorizing the 2997 issuance of its port authority revenue bonds or in any trust 2998 agreement securing the same, in excess of current needs, may be 2999 invested as permitted by sections 135.01 to 135.21 of the Revised 3000 Code or invested in linked deposit programs established by 3001 resolution of the board of directors in accordance with section 3002 135.80 of the Revised Code. Income from all such investments of 3003 moneys in any fund shall be credited to such funds as the port 3004 authority determines, subject to the provisions of any such 3005 resolution or trust agreement, and such the investments may be 3006 sold at any time the port authority determines. 3007

Section 2. That existing sections 9.98, 9.981, 9.982, 122.63, 3008 133.01, 133.08, 133.081, 133.10, 135.80, 135.81, 149.43, 169.05, 3009 173.08, 175.08, 175.09, 175.21, 175.22, 175.23, 175.24, 175.25, 3010 175.26, 176.05, 176.06, 176.07, 319.63, 1349.11, and 4582.54, and 3011 sections 175.01, 175.02, 175.03, 175.04, 175.041, 175.05, 175.06, 3012

Any reference in a law, contract, or other document to a 3040 function, power, duty, or obligation of the Department of 3041 Development that this act transfers to the Ohio Housing Finance 3042 Agency is deemed to be a reference to a function, power, duty, or 3043

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agency modifies or terminates them.

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This act does not affect any existing right or remedy of any 3045 character except that the Ohio Housing Finance Agency shall 3046 administer those rights and remedies instead of the Department of 3047 Development.

Beginning the first pay period after the effective date of 3049 3050 this section in which personal services expenses are charged against appropriations, all employees of the Ohio Housing Finance 3051 Agency of the Department of Development are transferred to the 3052 Ohio Housing Finance Agency. All employees retain their respective 3053 civil service classifications and status, together with all 3054 rights, benefits, and privileges provided by collective bargaining 3055 agreements negotiated pursuant to Chapter 4117. of the Revised 3056 Code. Notwithstanding section 124.13 of the Revised Code, all 3057 vacation time and other benefits earned by those employees are 3058 deemed to have been earned by them as employees of the Ohio 3059 Housing Finance Agency. Any employee who, at the time of transfer, 3060 has a temporary or provisional appointment is transferred subject 3061 to the same right of removal, examination, or termination as 3062 though the transfer had not been made. 3063

Employees not governed by collective bargaining agreements 3064 negotiated pursuant to Chapter 4117. of the Revised Code retain 3065 their respective status, and are governed by Chapter 124. of the 3066 Revised Code.

No action or proceeding brought by the Department of 3068

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and that pertains to a function, power, duty, or obligation that 3070

this act transfers to the Ohio Housing Finance Agency is affected 3071

by this act but may be prosecuted or defended in the name of the 3072

Ohio Housing Finance Agency. In any action or proceeding, the Ohio 3073

Housing Finance Agency shall be substituted as a party upon 3074

application to the court.

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Not later than one hundred twenty days after the effective	3076
date of this section, the Auditor of State shall provide to the	3077
Executive Director of the Ohio Housing Finance Agency a	3078
comprehensive audit of all funds, assets, and liabilities of the	3079
Department of Development that are related to Ohio Housing Finance	3080
Agency programs. Upon receipt of the audit, the Executive Director	3081
shall submit a copy of the audit to the Office of Budget and	3082
Management and shall request the Controlling Board to transfer to	3083
the Ohio Housing Finance Agency any funds, assets, and liabilities	3084
that this act does not otherwise transfer to the agency.	3085

Section 4. On July 1, 2005, or as soon thereafter as 3086 possible, the Director of Budget and Management shall certify the 3087 cash balance of the Housing Development Operating Fund (Fund 380) 3088 and the Housing Finance Operating Fund (Fund 445) within the 3089 budget of the Department of Development and shall transfer those 3090 certified balances to the Housing Finance Agency Personal Services 3091 Fund (Fund 5AZ) within the budget of the Ohio Housing Finance 3092 Agency. The Director shall cancel any existing encumbrances 3093 against Fund 380 and Fund 445 and, notwithstanding section 175.051 3094 of the Revised Code, shall reestablish those encumbrances against 3095 Fund 5AZ. The amounts of the reestablished encumbrances are hereby 3096 appropriated to appropriation item 997-601, Housing Finance Agency 3097 Personal Services within Fund 5AZ. 3098

 Section 5. Sections 1, 2, 3, and 4 of this act take effect
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 July 1, 2005.
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