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ABILL

To enact sections 3301.41 and 3301.42 of the Revised

	Code to establish the Partnership for Continued	2
	Learning to make recommendations for facilitating	3
	collaboration among providers of preschool through	4
	postsecondary education and for maintaining a	5
	high-quality workforce in Ohio.	6
BE IT ENACTED	BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:	
Section 1	• That sections 3301.41 and 3301.42 of the Revised	7
Code be enacte	d to read as follows:	8
<u>Sec. 3301</u>	.41. (A) The partnership for continued learning is	9
<u>hereby establi</u>	shed. The partnership shall consist of the following	10
members:		11
<u>(1) The g</u>	overnor;	12
<u>(2) The s</u>	uperintendent of public instruction;	13
(3) The c	hancellor of the Ohio board of regents;	14
(4) The d	irector of development;	15
(5) Three	representatives of the private sector, appointed by	16
the governor;		17

through postsecondary education, identifying the workforce needs	48
of private sector employers in the state, and making	49
recommendations for facilitating collaboration among providers of	50
preschool through postsecondary education and for maintaining a	51
high-quality workforce in the state. Copies of the recommendations	52
shall be provided to the governor, the president and minority	53
leader of the senate, the speaker and minority leader of the house	54
of representatives, the chairperson of the Ohio board of regents,	55
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and the president of the state board of education. The	57
recommendations shall address at least the following issues:	
(A) Expansion of access to preschool and other learning	58
opportunities for children under five years old;	59
(B) Increasing opportunities for students to earn credit	60
toward a degree from an institution of higher education while	61
enrolled in high school;	62
(C) Expansion of access to workforce development programs	63
administered by school districts, institutions of higher	
education, and other providers of career-technical education;	65
(D) Alignment of the statewide academic standards for grades	66
nine through twelve adopted under section 3301.079 of the Revised	67
Code, the Ohio graduation tests prescribed by division (B) of	68
section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code, and the curriculum	69
requirements for a high school diploma prescribed by section	70
3313.603 of the Revised Code with the expectations of employers	71
and institutions of higher education regarding the knowledge and	72
skills that high school graduates should attain prior to entering	73
the workforce or enrolling in an institution of higher education;	74
(E) Improving the science and mathematics skills of students	75
and employees to meet the needs of a knowledge-intensive economy;	76
(F) Reducing the number of students who need academic	77

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remediation after enrollment in an institution of higher		
education;		
(G) Expansion of access programs and other strategies to	80	
overcome financial, cultural, and organizational barriers that		
prevent students from obtaining a postsecondary education;	82	
(H) Alignment of teacher preparation programs approved by the	83	
state board of education pursuant to section 3319.23 of the		
Revised Code with the instructional needs and expectations of		
school districts;	86	
(I) Strategies for retaining more graduates of Ohio	87	
institutions of higher education in the state and for attracting		
talented individuals from outside Ohio to work in the state;		
(J) Strategies for promoting life-long continuing education	90	
as a component of maintaining a strong workforce and economy;		
(K) Appropriate measures of the impact of statewide efforts	92	
to promote collaboration among providers of preschool through		
postsecondary education and to develop a high-quality workforce		
and strategies for collecting and sharing data relevant to such		
measures.	96	
Section 2. Within thirty days after the effective date of	97	
this section, the Governor shall appoint members to the		
Partnership for Continued Learning pursuant to section 3301.41 of		
the Revised Code.		