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A BILL

То	amend sections 305.12, 308.04, 503.01, 715.72,	1
	715.74, 715.75, 715.76, 715.761, 715.77, 715.78,	2
	715.81, 4501.21, 4517.21, 4765.43, 4931.61,	3
	4931.62, 4931.63, 4931.64, 4931.65, 4931.66, and	4
	4931.70; to contingently amend sections 4503.494,	5
	4503.496, 4503.531, and 4503.92; and to enact	6
	sections 4503.712, 4513.66, 4765.431, and 4931.651	7
	of the Revised Code to permit local law	8
	enforcement agencies and fire departments to	9
	remove motor vehicles from the roadway after a	10
	motor vehicle accident and to provide immunity to	11
	local law enforcement agencies and fire personnel	12
	for the removal of damaged or inoperable vehicles	13
	from roadways; to temporarily authorize counties	14
	to enter into new or amended joint economic	15
	development district contracts with townships and	16
	municipal corporations; to permit a board of	17
	trustees of a regional airport authority to enter	18
	into a contract in which a board member has a	1 9

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direct or indirect interest if certain conditions 20 are met; to create "Ohio C.O.P.S." license plates; 21 to provide that an insurer or subrogee may sell 22 through a licensed motor vehicle auction owner a 23 motor vehicle that comes into its possession 24 through the operation of an insurance contract; to 25 modify the staffing requirements for ambulances 26 during emergency runs and while transporting 27 patients; to remove motorcycles from the kinds of 28 motor vehicles that can be issued certain special 29 license plates; to extend until 2012 the wireless 30 9-1-1 charge, raise the minimum annual fund 31 disbursement amount for each county from \$25,000 32 to \$90,000, and alter local uses of that revenue; 33 and to declare an emergency. 34

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

Section 1. That sections 305.12, 308.04, 503.01, 715.72, 36
715.74, 715.75, 715.76, 715.761, 715.77, 715.78, 715.81, 4501.21, 37
4517.21, 4765.43, 4931.61, 4931.62, 4931.63, 4931.64, 4931.65, 38
4931.66, and 4931.70 be amended and sections 4503.712, 4513.66, 39
4765.431, and 4931.651 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as 40
follows: 41

Sec. 305.12. The board of county commissioners may sue and be sued, and plead and be impleaded, in any court. It may bring, 43 maintain, and defend suits involving an injury to any public, 44 state, or county road, bridge, ditch, drain, or watercourse in the county with respect to which the county has the primary 46 responsibility to keep in proper repair, and for the prevention of 47 injury to them. The board shall demand and receive, by suit or 48

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otherwise, any real estate or interest in real estate, legal or 49 equitable, belonging to the county, or any money or other property 50 due the county. The money so recovered shall be paid into the 51 county treasury, and the board shall take the county treasurer's 52 receipt for it and file it with the county auditor. The board of 53 county commissioners may enter into contracts with municipal 54 corporations and townships pursuant to division (D) of section 55 715.72 of the Revised Code. 56

Sec. 308.04. Within sixty days after a regional airport 57
authority has been created under section 308.03 of the Revised 58
Code, the board of trustees for such regional airport authority 59
shall be appointed as provided in the resolution creating it. 60

Each member of the board of trustees, before entering upon the member's official duties, shall take and subscribe to an oath or affirmation that the member will honestly, faithfully, and impartially perform the duties of office, and that the member will not be interested directly or indirectly in any contract let by the regional airport authority. Any contract let by the regional airport authority in which a member of the board of trustees is directly or indirectly interested is void and unenforceable, unless a member with an interest in a contract first discloses the member's interest in writing to the remaining members of the board and the member with the interest refrains from any participation in the matter.

After each member of the board has taken the oath as

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prescribed by this section the board shall meet and organize by

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electing one of its members as president and another as

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vice-president, who shall hold their respective offices until the

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next annual meeting of the board as provided in its bylaws. At

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each annual meeting thereafter the board shall elect from its

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membership a president and a vice-president who shall serve for a

term of one year.

The board shall appoint and fix the compensation of a 81 secretary-treasurer, who shall not be a member of the board and 82 who shall serve at the pleasure of the board. 83

Sec. 503.01. Each civil township is a body politic and 84 corporate, for the purpose of enjoying and exercising the rights 85 and privileges conferred upon it by law. It may sue and be sued, 86 plead and be impleaded, and receive and hold real estate by devise 87 or deed, or receive and hold personal property for the benefit of 88 the township for any useful purpose. The board of township 89 trustees shall hold such property in trust for the township for 90 the purpose specified in the devise, bequest, or deed of gift. 91 Such board may also receive any conveyance of real estate to the 92 township, when necessary to secure or pay a debt or claim due such 93 township, and may sell and convey real estate so received. The 94 proceeds of such sale shall be applied to the fund to which such 95 debt or claim belonged. The board of township trustees may acquire 96 real property within the unincorporated territory of the township 97 in order to provide needed public improvements to the property 98 pursuant to sections 5709.73 to 5709.75 of the Revised Code. The 99 board of township trustees may enter into contracts with municipal 100 corporations pursuant to section 715.70, 715.71, or 715.72 of the 101 Revised Code, and with counties pursuant to division (D) of 102 section 715.72 of the Revised Code, to create a joint economic 103 development district. 104

Whenever the board finds it necessary to determine the value 105 of any real property the township owns or proposes to acquire by 106 purchase, lease, or otherwise, the board may employ for reasonable 107 compensation competent appraisers to advise it of the value of the 108 property or expert witnesses to testify to the value in an 109 appropriation proceeding.

(1) Except as otherwise provided in division (C)(2) of this

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equipment. The contract may provide for the contracting parties to 172 share revenue from taxes levied on property by one or more of the 173 contracting parties, if those revenues may lawfully be applied to 174 that purpose under the legislation by which those taxes are 175 levied. The contract shall specify and provide for new, expanded, 176 or additional services, facilities, or improvements. The contract 177 may provide for expanded or additional capacity for or other 178 enhancement of existing services, facilities, or improvements. 179

- (B) The contract shall enumerate the specific powers, duties, 180 and functions of the board of directors of the district described 181 under section 715.78 of the Revised Code and shall provide for the determination of procedures that are to govern the board. 183
- (C)(1) The contract may grant to the board the power to adopt 184 a resolution to levy an income tax within the district and the 185 contract may designate certain portions of the district where such 186 an income tax may be levied. The income tax shall be used for the 187 purposes of the district or any portion of the district in which 188 the contract authorizes an income tax and for the purposes of the 189 contracting parties pursuant to the contract. The income tax may 190 be levied in the district based on income earned by persons 191 working within the district and based on the net profits of 192 businesses located in the district, but the income of an 193 individual who resides in the district shall not be subject to 194 such income tax unless the income is received for personal 195 services performed in the district. The income tax of the district 196 shall follow the provisions of Chapter 718. of the Revised Code, 197 except that no vote shall be required. The rate of the income tax 198 shall be no higher than the highest rate being levied by a 199 municipal corporation that is a contracting party. 200
- (2) If the board adopts a resolution to levy an income tax, it shall enter into an agreement with a municipal corporation that is a contracting party to administer, collect, and enforce the

income tax on behalf of the district.

- (3) A resolution levying an income tax under this section 205 shall require the contracting parties to annually set aside a 206 percentage, to be stated in the resolution, of the amount of the 207 income tax collected for the long-term maintenance of the 208 district.
- (4) An income tax levied under this section shall apply in 210 the district or any portion of the district in which the contract 211 authorizes an income tax throughout the term of the contract 212 creating the district, notwithstanding that all or a portion of 213 the district becomes subject to annexation, merger, or 214 consolidation.
- (D) The contract creating a joint economic development 216 district shall continue in existence throughout its term and shall 217 be binding on the contracting parties and on any parties 218 succeeding to the contracting parties, whether by annexation, 219 220 merger, or consolidation. Except as provided in division (E) of this section, the contract may be amended, renewed, or terminated 221 with the approval of the contracting parties or any parties 222 succeeding to the contracting parties. If the contract is amended 223 to add area to an existing district, the amendment shall be 224 adopted in the manner prescribed under section 715.761 of the 225 Revised Code. 226
- (E) If two or more contracting parties previously have 227 entered into a separate contract for utility services, then 228 amendment, renewal, or termination of the separate contract for 229 utility services shall not constitute any part of the 230 consideration for the contract creating a joint economic 231 development district. A contract creating a joint economic 232 development district shall be rebuttably presumed to violate this 233 division if it is entered into within two years prior or five 234 years subsequent to the amendment, renewal, or termination of a 235

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separate contract for utility services that two or more	236
contracting parties previously have entered into. The presumption	237
stated in this division may be rebutted by clear and convincing	238
evidence of both of the following:	239
(1) That other substantial consideration existed to support	240
the contract creating a joint economic development district;	241
(2) That the contracting parties entered into the contract	242
creating a joint economic development district freely and without	243
duress or coercion related to the amendment, renewal, or	244
termination of the separate contract for utility services.	245
(F) A contract creating a joint economic development district	246
that violates division (E) of this section is void and	247
unenforceable.	248
Sec. 715.75. Before the legislative authority of any of the	249
contracting parties adopts an ordinance or resolution approving a	250
contract to create a joint economic development district, the	251
legislative authority of each of the contracting parties shall	252
hold a public hearing concerning the contract and district. Each	253
legislative authority shall provide at least thirty days' public	254
notice of the time and place of the public hearing in a newspaper	255
of general circulation in the municipal corporation $\frac{\partial F_{\ell}}{\partial t}$ township,	256
or county, as applicable. During the thirty-day period prior to	257
the public hearing and until the filing is made under section	258
715.76 of the Revised Code, all of the following documents shall	259
be available for public inspection in the office of the clerk of	260
the legislative authority of a municipal corporation and county	261
that is a contracting party and in the office of the fiscal	262
officer of a township that is a contracting party:	263
(A) A copy of the contract creating the district;	264
(B) A description of the area or areas to be included in the	265

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district, including a map in sufficient detail to denote the	266
specific boundaries of the area or areas and to indicate any	267
zoning restrictions applicable to the area or areas;	268
(C) An economic development plan for the district that	269
consists of both of the following schedules:	270
(1) A schedule for the provision of the new, expanded, or	271
additional services, facilities, or improvements described in	272
division (A) of section 715.74 of the Revised Code;	273
(2) A schedule for the collection of an income tax levied	274
under division (C) of section 715.74 of the Revised Code.	275
A public hearing held under this section shall allow for	276
public comment and recommendations on the contract and district.	277
The contracting parties may include in the contract any of those	278
recommendations prior to approval of the contract.	279
Before any of the contracting parties approves a contract	280
under section 715.76 of the Revised Code, the contracting parties	281
shall deliver a copy of the contract to the board of county	282
commissioners of each county in which a contracting party is	283
located. Any such county may enter into an agreement with the	284
contracting parties regarding the provision of services by the	285
county within the proposed district and may enter into an	286
agreement with the contracting parties to extend services to the	287
area or areas to be included in the district. A county that is a	288
contracting party under division (D) of section 715.72 of the	289
Revised Code is entitled to a copy of the contract as if the	290
county were not a contracting party. Such a county may enter into	291
an agreement with the other contracting parties regarding its	292
provision or extension of services within the proposed district as	293
contemplated by the contract.	294

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715.75 of the Revised Code have been held, each contracting party	296
may adopt an ordinance or resolution approving the contract to	297
create a joint economic development district. After each	298
contracting party has adopted an ordinance or resolution, the	299
contracting parties jointly shall file with the legislative	300
authority of each county within which a contracting party is	301
located all of the following documents:	302
(A) A signed copy of the contract;	303
(B) A description of the area or areas to be included in the	304
district, including a map in sufficient detail to denote the	305
specific boundaries of the area or areas and to indicate any	306
zoning restrictions applicable to the area or areas;	307
(C) The economic development plan described in division (C)	308
of section 715.75 of the Revised Code;	309
(D) Certified copies of the ordinances and resolutions of the	310
contracting parties relating to the contract and district;	311
(E) A certificate of each contracting party that the public	312
hearings required by section 715.75 of the Revised Code have been	313
held, the date of the hearings, and evidence of publication of the	314
notice of the hearings;	315
(F) A petition signed by a majority of the owners of property	316
located within the area or areas to be included in the district;	317
(G) A petition signed by a majority of the owners of	318
businesses, if any, located within the area or areas to be	319
included in the district.	320
The petitions described in divisions (F) and (G) of this	321
section shall specify that all of the documents described in	322
divisions (A) to (C) of section 715.75 of the Revised Code are	323
available for public inspection in the office of the clerk of the	324
legislative authority of each municipal corporation and county	325

that is a contracting party or the office of the fiscal officer of 326 each township that is a contracting party. 327

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The legislative authority of a county that is a contracting party under division (D) of section 715.72 of the Revised Code is entitled to all of the documents described in divisions (A) to (G) of this section as if the county were not a contracting party.

Not later than ten days after all of the documents described 332 in divisions (A) to (G) of this section have been filed, each 333 contracting party shall give notice to those owners of property 334 within the area or areas to be included in the district who did 335 not sign the petition described in division (F) of this section 336 and whose property is located within the boundaries of that 337 contracting party and to those owners of businesses, if any, 338 within the area or areas to be included in the district who did 339 not sign the petition described in division (G) of this section 340 and whose property is located within the boundaries of that 341 contracting party. Notice shall be given by certified mail and 342 shall specify that the owners of property and businesses are 343 located within the area or areas to be included in the district 344 and that all of the documents described in divisions (A) to (C) of 345 section 715.75 of the Revised Code are available for public 346 inspection in the office of the clerk of the legislative authority 347 of each municipal corporation and county that is a contracting 348 party or the office of the fiscal officer of each township that is 349 a contracting party. The contracting parties shall equally bear 350 the cost of providing notice under this section. 351

If the contracting parties do not file all of the documents 352 described in divisions (A) to (G) of this section, the legislative 353 authority of a county that is not a contracting party within which 354 a contracting party is located may adopt a resolution disapproving 355 the creation of the joint economic development district. In 356 addition, the legislative authority of the county may adopt a 357

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resolution disapproving the creation of the district if it	358
determines, in written findings of fact, that each contracting	359
party did not enter into the contract freely and without duress or	360
coercion.	361
Sec. 715.761. (A) The contracting parties may amend the	362
contract to add to a joint economic development district any area	363
that was not originally included in the district when the contract	364
took effect. Area may be added only if the area satisfies the	365
criteria prescribed under section 715.73 of the Revised Code.	366
(B) An amendment adding area to a district shall be approved	367
by a resolution or ordinance adopted by each of the contracting	368
parties. The contracting parties shall conduct public hearings on	369
the amendment, provide notice, and deliver a copy of the amendment	370
to the legislative authority of the county in which the added area	371
is located in the manner required under section 715.75 of the	372
Revised Code for original contracts. The legislative authority of	373
a county that is a contracting party under division (D) of section	374
715.72 of the Revised Code is entitled to a copy of the amendment	375
as if the county were not a contracting party. The contracting	376
parties shall make available for public inspection a copy of the	377
amendment, a description of the area to be added to the district,	378
and a map of that area in sufficient detail to denote the specific	379
boundaries of the area and to indicate any zoning restrictions	380
applicable to the area.	381
(C) After adopting resolutions or ordinances approving the	382
addition of the area, the contracting parties jointly shall file	383
with the legislative authority of the county in which the added	384
area is located the documents required to be filed under section	385
715.76 of the Revised Code, except that:	386
(1) A copy of the amendment to the contract shall be filed in	387
lieu of a copy of the contract.	388

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(2) The description and map shall be of the area to be added	389
instead of the entire area of the district.	390
(3) The economic development plan need not be filed.	391
(4) Certified copies of the resolutions and ordinances	392
approving the amendment shall be filed.	393
(5) The certificates otherwise required under division (E) of	394
section 715.76 of the Revised Code shall certify that the hearings	395
required under division (B) of this section have been held, shall	396
indicate the date of those hearings, and shall include evidence	397
that notice of the hearings was published.	398
(6) The petition otherwise required under division (F) of	399
section 715.76 of the Revised Code shall be signed by a majority	400
of the owners of property located in the area to be added to the	401
district, the petition otherwise required under division (G) of	402
that section shall be signed by a majority of the owners of	403
businesses, if any, located in the area to be added to the	404
district, and the petitions shall specify that the documents	405
described in division (B) of this section are available for public	406
inspection as otherwise required under section 715.75 of the	407
Revised Code.	408
(D) The resolution of a board of township trustees approving	409
an amendment adding area to an existing joint economic development	410
district is not required to be submitted to the electors of the	411
township.	412
Sec. 715.77. (A)(1) A board of township trustees that is a	413
party to a contract creating a joint economic development district	414
pursuant to sections 715.72 to 715.82 of the Revised Code may	415
choose to not submit its resolution approving the contract to the	416
electors of the township if all of the following conditions are	417
satisfied:	418

- (a) The resolution has been approved by a unanimous vote of
 the members of the board of township trustees or, if a county is
 one of the contracting parties under division (D) of section
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 715.72 of the Revised Code, the resolution has been approved by a
 majority vote of the members of the board of township trustees;
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- (b) The creation of the joint economic development district 424
 is proposed at the request of a majority of the owners of land 425
 included within the proposed district; 426
- (c) The territory to be included in the proposed joint 427 economic development district is zoned in a manner appropriate to 428 the function of the proposed district. 429
- (2) Unless the legislative authority of a county adopts a 430 resolution under section 715.76 of the Revised Code disapproving 431 the creation of a joint economic development district within 432 thirty days after the filing made under that section, the 433 legislative authority of each such county shall adopt a resolution 434 acknowledging the receipt of the required documents, approving the 435 creation of the joint economic development district, and, if the 436 board of township trustees has not invoked its authority under 437 division (A)(1) of this section, directing that the resolution of 438 the board of township trustees approving the contract creating the 439 joint economic development district be submitted to the electors 440 of the township for approval at the next succeeding general, 441 primary, or special election. If the board of township trustees 442 chooses to submit approval of the contract to the electors of the 443 township, the legislative authority of the county shall file with 444 the board of elections at least seventy-five days before the day 445 of the election a copy of the resolution of the board of township 446 trustees approving the contract. The resolution of the legislative 447 authority of the county also shall specify the date the election 448 is to be held and shall direct the board of elections to conduct 449 the election in the township. 450

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- (3) If the resolution of the legislative authority of the county is not adopted within the thirty-day period after the filing made under section 715.76 of the Revised Code, the joint economic development district shall be deemed approved by the county legislative authority and, if the board of township trustees has not invoked its authority under division (A)(1) of this section, the board of township trustees shall file its resolution with the board of elections for submission to the electors of the township for approval at the next succeeding general, primary, or special election. In such case, the board of township trustees shall file the resolution at least seventy-five days before the specified date the election is to be held and shall direct the board of elections to conduct the election in the township.
- (4) Any contract creating a joint economic development

 district in which a board of township trustees is a party shall

 provide that the contract is not effective earlier than the

 thirty-first day after its approval, including any approval by

 electors required in this section.

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If the board of township trustees chooses pursuant to 470 division (A)(1) of this section not to submit the approval of the 471 contract to the electors, the resolution of the board of township 472 trustees approving the contract is subject to a referendum of the 473 electors of the township when requested through a petition. When 474 signed by ten per cent of the number of electors in the township 475 who voted for the office of governor at the most recent general 476 election, a referendum petition asking that the resolution be 477 submitted to the electors of the township may be presented to the 478 board of township trustees. Such a petition shall be presented 479 within thirty days after the board of township trustees adopts the 480 resolution. The board of township trustees shall, not later than 481 four p.m. of the tenth day after receipt of the petition, certify 482

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the text of the resolution to the board of elections. The board of	483
elections shall submit the resolution to the electors of the	484
township for their approval or rejection at the next general,	485
primary, or special election occurring at least seventy-five days	486
after such certification.	487
(B) The ballot shall be in the following form:	488
"Shall the resolution of the board of township trustees	489
approving the contract with (here insert name of	490
each municipal corporation and other township that is a	491
contracting party) for the creation of a joint economic	492
development district be approved?	493
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FOR THE RESOLUTION AND CONTRACT	495
AGAINST THE RESOLUTION AND CONTRACT "	496
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If a majority of the electors of the township voting on the issue	498
vote for the resolution and contract, the resolution shall become	499
effective immediately and the contract shall go into effect on the	500
thirty-first day after this election or thereafter in accordance	501
with terms of the contract.	502
Sec. 715.78. (A) A board of directors shall govern each joint	503
economic development district created under section 715.72 of the	504
Revised Code.	505
(1) If there are businesses located and persons working	506
within the area or areas to be included in the district, the board	507
shall be composed of the following members:	508
(a) One member representing the municipal corporations that	509
are contracting parties;	510
(b) One member representing the townships that are	511
contracting parties;	512

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(c) One member representing the owners of businesses located	513
within the district;	514
(d) One member representing the persons working within the	515
district;	516
(e) One member representing the counties that are contracting	517
parties, or, if no contracting party is a county, one member	518
selected by the members described in divisions (A)(1)(a) to (d) of	519
this section.	520
The members of the board shall be appointed as provided in	521
the contract. Of the members initially appointed to the board, the	522
member described in division (A)(1)(a) of this section shall serve	523
a term of one year; the member described in division (A)(1)(b) of	524
this section shall serve a term of two years; the member described	525
in division (A)(1)(c) of this section shall serve a term of three	526
years; and the members described in divisions (A)(1)(d) and (e) of	527
this section shall serve terms of four years. Thereafter, terms	528
for each member shall be for four years, each term ending on the	529
same day of the same month of the year as did the term that it	530
succeeds. A member may be reappointed to the board, but no member	531
shall serve more than two consecutive terms on the board.	532
The member described in division (A)(1)(e) of this section	533
shall serve as chairperson of a board described under division	534
(A)(1) of this section.	535
(2) If there are no businesses located or persons working	536
within the area or areas to be included in the district, the board	537
shall be composed of the following members:	538
(a) One member representing the municipal corporations that	539
are contracting parties;	540
(b) One member representing the townships that are	541
contracting parties;	542

(c) One <u>member representing the counties that are contracting</u>

parties, or if no contracting party is a county, one member

selected by the members described in divisions (A)(2)(a) and (b)

of this section.

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The members of the board shall be appointed as provided in 547 the contract. Of the members initially appointed to the board, the 548 member described in division (A)(2)(a) of this section shall serve 549 a term of one year; the member described in division (A)(2)(b) of 550 this section shall serve a term of two years; and the member 551 described in division (A)(2)(c) of this section shall serve a term 552 of three years. Thereafter, terms for each member shall be for 553 four years, each term ending on the same day of the same month of 554 the year as did the term that it succeeds. A member may be 555 reappointed to the board, but no member shall serve more than two 556 consecutive terms on the board. 557

The member described in division (A)(2)(c) of this section 558 shall serve as chairperson of a board described under division 559 (A)(2) of this section. 560

- (B) A board described under division (A)(1) or (2) of this 561 section has no powers except as described in sections 715.72 to 562 715.81 of the Revised Code and in the contract creating the joint 563 economic development district.
- (C) Membership on the board of directors of a joint economic 565 development district is not the holding of a public office or 566 employment within the meaning of any section of the Revised Code 567 or any charter provision prohibiting the holding of other public 568 office or employment. Membership on such a board is not a direct 569 or indirect interest in a contract or expenditure of money by a 570 municipal corporation, township, county, or other political 571 subdivision with which a member may be affiliated. Notwithstanding 572 any provision of law or a charter to the contrary, no member of a 573 board of directors of a joint economic development district shall 574

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forfeit or be disqualified from holding any public office or	575
employment by reason of membership on the board.	576
(D) The board of directors of a joint economic development	577
district is a public body for the purposes of section 121.22 of	578
the Revised Code. Chapter 2744. of the Revised Code applies to	579
such a board and the district.	580
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Sec. 715.81. The powers granted under sections 715.72 to	581
715.81 of the Revised Code are in addition to and not in the	582
derogation of all other powers granted to municipal corporations	583
and, townships, and counties pursuant to law. When exercising a	584
power or performing a function or duty under a contract entered	585
into under section 715.72 of the Revised Code, a municipal	586
corporation may exercise all of the powers of a municipal	587
corporation, and may perform all the functions and duties of a	588
municipal corporation, within the joint economic development	589
district, pursuant to and to the extent consistent with the	590
contract. When exercising a power or performing a function or duty	591
under a contract entered into under either section 715.691 or	592
715.72 or section 715.691 of the Revised Code, a township may	593
exercise all of the powers of a township, and may perform all the	594
functions and duties of a township, within the joint economic	595
development district, or joint economic development zone that is	596
subject to division (I)(2) of section 715.691 of the Revised Code,	597
pursuant to and to the extent consistent with the contract. $\frac{NO}{NO}$	598
When exercising a power or performing a function or duty	599
under a contract entered into under division (D) of section 715.72	600
of the Revised Code, a county may exercise all of the powers of a	601
county, and may perform all the functions and duties of a county,	602
within the joint economic development district, pursuant to and to	603
the extent consistent with the contract.	604
${\underline{\mathtt{No}}}$ political subdivision shall grant any tax exemption under	605

society of Ohio, which shall use the contributions for programs

and autism awareness efforts throughout the state.

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- (3) The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar

 receives pursuant to section 4503.50 of the Revised Code to the

 future farmers of America foundation, which shall deposit the

 contributions into its general account to be used for educational

 and scholarship purposes of the future farmers of America

 foundation.

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- (4) The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar

 receives pursuant to section 4503.501 of the Revised Code to the

 4-H youth development program of the Ohio state university

 extension program, which shall use those contributions to pay the

 expenses it incurs in conducting its educational activities.

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- (5) The registrar shall pay the contributions received 648 pursuant to section 4503.502 of the Revised Code to the Ohio 649 cattlemen's foundation, which shall use those contributions for 650 scholarships and other educational activities. 651
- (6) The registrar shall pay each contribution the registrar

 receives pursuant to section 4503.51 of the Revised Code to the

 university or college whose name or marking or design appears on

 collegiate license plates that are issued to a person under that

 section. A university or college that receives contributions from

 the fund shall deposit the contributions into its general

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 scholarship fund.
- (7) The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar

 receives pursuant to section 4503.522 of the Revised Code to the

 "friends of Perry's victory and international peace memorial,

 incorporated," a nonprofit corporation organized under the laws of

 this state, to assist that organization in paying the expenses it

 incurs in sponsoring or holding charitable, educational, and

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 cultural events at the monument.
- (8) The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 666 receives pursuant to section 4503.55 of the Revised Code to the 667

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pro football hall of fame, which shall deposit the contributions into a special bank account that it establishes and which shall be separate and distinct from any other account the pro football hall of fame maintains, to be used exclusively for the purpose of promoting the pro football hall of fame as a travel destination.

- (9) The registrar shall pay the contributions that are paid to the registrar pursuant to section 4503.545 of the Revised Code to the national rifle association foundation, which shall use the money to pay the costs of the educational activities and programs the foundation holds or sponsors in this state.
- (10) In accordance with section 955.202 of the Revised Code, 678 the registrar shall pay to the pets program funding board created 679 by that section the contributions the registrar receives pursuant 680 to section 4503.551 of the Revised Code and any other money from 681 any other source, including donations, gifts, and grants, that is 682 designated by the source to be paid to the pets program funding 683 board. The board shall use the moneys it receives under this 684 section only to support programs for the sterilization of dogs and 685 cats and for educational programs concerning the proper veterinary 686 care of those animals. 687
- (11) The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 688 receives pursuant to section 4503.552 of the Revised Code to the rock and roll hall of fame and museum, incorporated. 690
- (12) The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 691 receives pursuant to section 4503.553 of the Revised Code to the 692 Ohio coalition for animals, incorporated, a nonprofit corporation. 693 Except as provided in division (B)(12) of this section, the 694 coalition shall distribute the money to its members, and the 695 members shall use the money only to pay for educational, 696 charitable, and other programs of each coalition member that 697 provide care for unwanted, abused, and neglected horses. The Ohio 698 coalition for animals may use a portion of the money to pay for 699

reasonable marketing costs incurred in the design and promotion of	700
the license plate and for administrative costs incurred in the	701
disbursement and management of funds received under this section.	702

- (13) The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 703 receives pursuant to section 4503.561 of the Revised Code to the 704 state of Ohio chapter of ducks unlimited, inc., which shall 705 deposit the contributions into a special bank account that it 706 establishes. The special bank account shall be separate and 707 distinct from any other account the state of Ohio chapter of ducks 708 unlimited, inc., maintains and shall be used exclusively for the 709 purpose of protecting, enhancing, restoring, and managing wetlands 710 and conserving wildlife habitat. The state of Ohio chapter of 711 ducks unlimited, inc., annually shall notify the registrar in 712 writing of the name, address, and account to which such payments 713 are to be made. 714
- (14) The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar 715 receives pursuant to section 4503.562 of the Revised Code to the 716 Mahoning river consortium, which shall use the money to pay the 717 expenses it incurs in restoring and maintaining the Mahoning river 718 watershed.
- (15)(a) The registrar shall pay to a sports commission 720 created pursuant to section 4503.591 of the Revised Code each 721 contribution the registrar receives under that section that an 722 applicant pays to obtain license plates that bear the logo of a 723 professional sports team located in the county of that sports 724 commission and that is participating in the license plate program 725 pursuant to division (E) of that section, irrespective of the 726 county of residence of an applicant. 727
- (b) The registrar shall pay to a community charity each 728 contribution the registrar receives under section 4503.591 of the 729 Revised Code that an applicant pays to obtain license plates that 730 bear the logo of a professional sports team that is participating 731

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in the license plate program pursuant to division (G) of that	732
section.	733
(16) The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar	734
receives pursuant to section 4503.67 of the Revised Code to the	735
Dan Beard council of the boy scouts of America. The council shall	736
distribute all contributions in an equitable manner throughout the	737
state to regional councils of the boy scouts.	738
(17) The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar	739
receives pursuant to section 4503.68 of the Revised Code to the	740
great river council of the girl scouts of the United States of	741
America. The council shall distribute all contributions in an	742
equitable manner throughout the state to regional councils of the	743
girl scouts.	744
(18) The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar	745
receives pursuant to section 4503.69 of the Revised Code to the	746
Dan Beard council of the boy scouts of America. The council shall	747
distribute all contributions in an equitable manner throughout the	748
state to regional councils of the boy scouts.	749
(19) The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar	750
receives pursuant to section 4503.71 of the Revised Code to the	751
fraternal order of police of Ohio, incorporated, which shall	752
deposit the fees into its general account to be used for purposes	753
of the fraternal order of police of Ohio, incorporated.	754
(20) The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar	755
receives pursuant to section 4503.711 of the Revised Code to the	756
fraternal order of police of Ohio, incorporated, which shall	757
deposit the contributions into an account that it creates to be	758
used for the purpose of advancing and protecting the law	759
enforcement profession, promoting improved law enforcement	760
methods, and teaching respect for law and order.	761
(21) The registrar shall pay the contributions received	762

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pursuant to section 4503.712 of the Revised Code to Ohio concerns	763
of police survivors, which shall use those contributions to	764
provide whatever assistance may be appropriate to the families of	765
Ohio law enforcement officers who are killed in the line of duty.	766
(22) The registrar shall pay the contributions the registrar	767
receives pursuant to section 4503.72 of the Revised Code to the	768
organization known on March 31, 2003, as the Ohio CASA/GAL	769
association, a private, nonprofit corporation organized under	770
Chapter 1702. of the Revised Code. The Ohio CASA/GAL association	771
shall use these contributions to pay the expenses it incurs in	772
administering a program to secure the proper representation in the	773
courts of this state of abused, neglected, and dependent children,	774
and for the training and supervision of persons participating in	775
that program.	776
$\frac{(22)(23)}{(23)}$ The registrar shall pay the contributions the	777
registrar receives pursuant to section 4503.73 of the Revised Code	778
to Wright B. Flyer, incorporated, which shall deposit the	779
contributions into its general account to be used for purposes of	780
Wright B. Flyer, incorporated.	781
$\frac{(23)(24)}{(24)}$ The registrar shall pay the contributions the	782
registrar receives pursuant to section 4503.74 of the Revised Code	783
to the Columbus zoological park association, which shall disburse	784
the moneys to Ohio's major metropolitan zoos, as defined in	785
section 4503.74 of the Revised Code, in accordance with a written	786
agreement entered into by the major metropolitan zoos.	787
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$\frac{(24)(25)}{(25)}$ The registrar shall pay the contributions the	789
registrar receives pursuant to section 4503.75 of the Revised Code	790
to the rotary foundation, located on March 31, 2003, in Evanston,	791
Illinois, to be placed in a fund known as the permanent fund and	792
used to endow educational and humanitarian programs of the rotary	793
foundation.	794

$\frac{(25)(26)}{(26)}$ The registrar shall pay the contributions the	795
registrar receives pursuant to section 4503.85 of the Revised Code	796
to the Ohio sea grant college program to be used for Lake Erie	797
area research projects.	798

(C) All investment earnings of the license plate contribution 799 fund shall be credited to the fund. Not later than the first day 800 of May of every year, the registrar shall distribute to each 801 entity described in division (B) of this section the investment 802 income the fund earned the previous calendar year. The amount of 803 such a distribution paid to an entity shall be proportionate to 804 the amount of money the entity received from the fund during the 805 previous calendar year. 806

Sec. 4503.712. (A) The owner or lessee of any passenger car, 807 noncommercial motor vehicle, recreational vehicle, or other 808 vehicle of a class approved by the registrar of motor vehicles may 809 apply to the registrar for the registration of the vehicle and 810 issuance of "Ohio C.O.P.S." license plates. The application for 811 "Ohio C.O.P.S." license plates may be combined with a request for 812 a special reserved license plate under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 813 of the Revised Code. Upon receipt of the completed application and 814 compliance with division (B) of this section, the registrar shall 815 issue to the applicant the appropriate vehicle registration, a set 816 of "Ohio C.O.P.S." license plates with a validation sticker, or a 817 validation sticker alone when required by section 4503.191 of the 818 Revised Code. 819

In addition to the letters and numbers ordinarily inscribed

on the license plates, "Ohio C.O.P.S." license plates shall be

inscribed with the words "Ohio C.O.P.S." and a marking selected by

the organization Ohio concerns of police survivors and approved by

the registrar. "Ohio C.O.P.S." license plates shall bear county

identification stickers that identify the county of registration

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by name or number.	826
(B) "Ohio C.O.P.S." license plates and a validation sticker	827
or, when applicable, a validation sticker alone, shall be issued	828
upon submission by the applicant of an application for	829
registration of a motor vehicle under this section; payment of the	830
regular license tax as prescribed under section 4503.04 of the	831
Revised Code, any applicable motor vehicle tax levied under	832
Chapter 4504. of the Revised Code, any applicable additional fee	833
prescribed by section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code, the	834
contribution provided in division (C) of this section, and an	835
additional fee of ten dollars; and compliance with all other	836
applicable laws relating to the registration of motor vehicles.	837
(C) For each application for registration and registration	838
renewal that the registrar receives under this section, the	839
registrar shall collect a contribution of fifteen dollars. The	840
registrar shall transmit this contribution to the treasurer of	841
state for deposit in the license plate contribution fund created	842
by section 4501.21 of the Revised Code.	843
The registrar shall transmit the additional fee of ten	844
dollars described in division (B) of this section, the purpose of	845
which is to compensate the bureau of motor vehicles for additional	846
services required in issuing license plates under this section, to	847
the treasurer of state for deposit into the state treasury to the	848
credit of the bureau of motor vehicles fund created by section	849
4501.25 of the Revised Code.	850
Sec. 4513.66. (A) If a motor vehicle accident occurs on any	851
highway, public street, or other property open to the public for	852
purposes of vehicular travel and if any motor vehicle, cargo, or	853
personal property that has been damaged or spilled as a result of	854
the motor vehicle accident is blocking the highway, street, or	855
other property or is otherwise endangering public safety, the	856

sheriff of the county, or the chief of police of the municipal 857 corporation, township, or township police district, in which the 858 accident occurred, a state highway patrol trooper, or the chief of 859 the fire department having jurisdiction where the accident 860 occurred may, without consent of the owner but with the approval 861 of the law enforcement agency conducting any investigation of the 862 accident, remove the motor vehicle if the motor vehicle is 863 unoccupied, cargo, or personal property from the portion of the 864 highway, public street, or property ordinarily used for vehicular 865 travel on the highway, public street, or other property open to 866 the public for purposes of vehicular travel. 867 (B)(1) Except as provided in division (B)(2) or (3) of this 868 section, no employee of the department of transportation, sheriff, 869 deputy sheriff, chief of police or police officer of a municipal 870 corporation, township, or township police district, state highway 871 patrol trooper, chief of a fire department, or fire fighter who 872 authorizes or participates in the removal of any unoccupied motor 873 vehicle, cargo, or personal property as authorized by division (A) 874 of this section is liable in civil damages for any injury, death, 875 or loss to person or property that results from the removal of 876 that unoccupied motor vehicle, cargo, or personal property. Except 877 as provided in division (B)(2) or (3) of this section, if the 878 department of transportation or a sheriff, chief of police of a 879 municipal corporation, township, or township police district, head 880 of the state highway patrol, or chief of a fire department 881 <u>authorizes, employs, or arranges to have a private tow truck</u> 882 operator or towing company remove any unoccupied motor vehicle, 883 cargo, or personal property as authorized by division (A) of this 884 section, that private tow truck operator or towing company is not 885 liable in civil damages for any injury, death, or loss to person 886 or property that results from the removal of that unoccupied motor 887

vehicle, cargo, or personal property, and the department of

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transportation, sheriff, chief of police, head of the state	889
highway patrol, or fire department chief is not liable in civil	890
damages for any injury, death, or loss to person or property that	891
results from the private tow truck operator or towing company's	892
removal of that unoccupied motor vehicle, cargo, or personal	893
property.	894
(2) Division (B)(1) of this section does not apply to any	895
person or entity involved in the removal of an unoccupied motor	896
vehicle, cargo, or personal property pursuant to division (A) of	897
this section if that removal causes or contributes to the release	898
of a hazardous material or to structural damage to the roadway.	899
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(3) Division (B)(1) of this section does not apply to a	901
private tow truck operator or towing company that was not	902
authorized, employed, or arranged by the department of	903
transportation, a sheriff, a chief of police of a municipal	904
corporation, township, or township police district, the head of	905
the state highway patrol, or a chief of a fire department or to a	906
private tow truck operator or towing company that was authorized,	907
employed, or arranged by the department of transportation, a	908
sheriff, a chief of police of a municipal corporation, township,	909
or township police district, the head of the state highway patrol,	910
or a chief of a fire department to perform the removal of the	911
unoccupied motor vehicle, cargo, or personal property and the	912
private tow truck operator or towing company performed the removal	913
in a reckless or willful manner.	914
(C) As used in this section, "hazardous material" has the	915
same meaning as in section 2305.232 of the Revised Code.	916
Sec. 4517.21. (A) No motor vehicle auction owner licensed	917
under Chapter 4517. of the Revised Code shall:	918
(1) Engage in the sale of motor vehicles at retail from the	919

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same licensed location;	920
(2) Knowingly permit the auctioning of a motor vehicle if the	921
motor vehicle auction owner has reasonable cause to believe it is	922
not being offered for sale by the legal owner of the motor	923
vehicle;	924
(3) Knowingly permit the sale of a motor vehicle to any	925
person except the following:	926
(a) A motor vehicle dealer licensed in this state or any	927
other jurisdiction, or any other person licensed pursuant to	928
Chapter 4517. of the Revised Code or a substantially similar	929
statute of any other jurisdiction;	930
(b) A person who purchases a motor vehicle from a licensed	931
motor vehicle dealer at an auction of motor vehicles conducted at	932
the licensed motor vehicle dealer's place of business in	933
accordance with division (B) of this section;	934
(c) A person who purchases a classic motor vehicle, as	935
defined in section 4517.021 of the Revised Code, at an auction	936
conducted at the established place of business of a licensed motor	937
vehicle auction owner where only classic motor vehicles are being	938
auctioned.	939
(4) Knowingly permit the sale of a motor vehicle by any	940
person who is not licensed pursuant to Chapter 4517. of the	941
Revised Code, except by insurers and subrogees selling only those	942
motor vehicles that have come into their possession through the	943
operation of the terms of an insurance contract;	944
(5) Knowingly permit any person to violate section 4517.19 of	945
the Revised Code;	946
(6) Deny reasonable inspection of the motor vehicle auction	947
owner's business records, relating to the sale of motor vehicles,	948
to the registrar of motor vehicles or the attorney general, when	949

auction.

(8) Knowingly accept a motor vehicle for sale or possible

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during the period of suspension or revocation, or by a person

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whose application for a license to operate as a dealer has been

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denied, after notification by the registrar, in accordance with

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division (G) of this section, of the suspension or revocation of

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the license, or denial of an application for a license.

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- (9) Knowingly permit the auctioning of a motor vehicle whose 988 ownership is not evidenced at the time of auctioning by a current 989 certificate of title or a manufacturer's certificate of origin, 990 and all title assignments that evidence the seller's ownership of 991 the motor vehicle, without first giving clear and unequivocal 992 notice of the lack of such evidence. 993
- (B) Notwithstanding any provision of Chapter 4517. of the 994 Revised Code to the contrary, a licensed motor vehicle auction 995 owner, in addition to engaging in the business of auctioning motor 996 vehicles at the auction owner's established place of business, may 997 engage in the business of auctioning a licensed motor vehicle 998 dealer's motor vehicles at that licensed motor vehicle dealer's 999 established place of business, provided such dealer's place of 1000 business is not owned, operated, or in any way managed by a motor 1001 vehicle auction owner or subsidiary. The motor vehicle auction 1002 owner is not required to obtain an additional license for each 1003 dealer's premises at which the motor vehicle auction owner is 1004 engaging in the business of auctioning motor vehicles, regardless 1005 of whether the dealer's premises are located in another county, 1006 but the motor vehicle auction owner is required to have a 1007 certified copy of the auction owner's license available for 1008 inspection when the auction owner is engaging in the business of 1009 auctioning motor vehicles at an established place of business of a 1010 licensed motor vehicle dealer. 1011

emergency medical service organization substantially utilizes	1043
volunteer emergency medical service providers if the organization	1044
uses only volunteer first responders, volunteer EMTs-basic,	1045
volunteer EMTs-I, or volunteer paramedics, or a combination of	1046
such volunteers, for fifty per cent or more of the time during any	1047
seven-day period in which the organization makes emergency medical	1048
services available to the public.	1049

sec. 4765.431. No emergency medical service organization 1050
shall permit an individual who is younger than eighteen years of 1051
age to drive an ambulance. 1052

Sec. 4931.61. (A) Beginning on the first day of the third 1053 month following the effective date of this section May 6, 2005, 1054 and ending December 31, 2008 2012, there is hereby imposed, on 1055 each wireless telephone number of a wireless service subscriber 1056 who has a billing address in this state, a wireless 9-1-1 charge 1057 of thirty two twenty-eight cents per month. The subscriber shall 1058 pay the wireless 9-1-1 charge for each such wireless telephone 1059 number assigned to the subscriber. Each wireless service provider 1060 and each reseller of wireless service shall collect the wireless 1061 9-1-1 charge as a specific line item on each subscriber's monthly 1062 bill. The line item shall be expressly designated "State/Local 1063 Wireless-E911 Costs (\$0.32 \$0.28/billed number)." If a provider 1064 bills a subscriber for any wireless enhanced 9-1-1 costs that the 1065 provider may incur, the charge or amount is not to appear in the 1066 same line item as the state/local line item. If the charge or 1067 amount is to appear in its own, separate line item on the bill, 1068 the charge or amount shall be expressly designated "[Name of 1069 Provider] Federal Wireless-E911 Costs. "For any subscriber of 1070 prepaid wireless service, a wireless service provider or reseller 1071 shall collect the wireless 9-1-1 charge in any of the following 1072 manners: 1073

the last day of each month, shall remit the full amount of all 1095 wireless 9-1-1 charges it collected for the second preceding 1096 calendar month to the Ohio 9-1-1 coordinator, with the exception 1097 of charges equivalent to the amount authorized as a billing and 1098 collection fee under division (A)(2) of this section. In doing so, 1099 the provider or reseller may remit the requisite amount in any 1100 reasonable manner consistent with its existing operating or 1101 technological capabilities, such as by customer address, location 1102 associated with the wireless telephone number, or another 1103 allocation method based on comparable, relevant data. If the 1104 wireless service provider or reseller receives a partial payment 1105 for a bill from a wireless service subscriber, the wireless 1106 service provider or reseller shall apply the payment first against 1107 the amount the subscriber owes the wireless service provider or 1108 reseller and shall remit to the coordinator such lesser amount, if 1109 any, as results from that invoice.

- (2) A wireless service provider or reseller of wireless 1111 service may retain as a billing and collection fee two per cent of 1112 the total wireless 9-1-1 charges it collects in any month and 1113 shall account to the coordinator for the amount retained. 1114
- (3) The coordinator shall return to, or credit against the
 next month's remittance of, a wireless service provider or service
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 reseller the amount of any remittances the coordinator determines
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 were erroneously submitted by the provider or reseller.
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- (B) Each subscriber on which a wireless 9-1-1 charge is 1119 imposed under division (A) of section 4931.61 of the Revised Code 1120 is liable to the state for the amount of the charge. If a wireless 1121 service provider or reseller fails to collect the charge under 1122 that division from a subscriber of prepaid wireless service, or 1123 fails to bill any other subscriber for the charge, the wireless 1124 service provider or reseller is liable to the state for the amount 1125 not collected or billed. If a wireless service provider or 1126 reseller collects charges under that division and fails to remit 1127 the money to the coordinator, the wireless service provider or 1128 reseller is liable to the state for any amount collected and not 1129 remitted. 1130
- (C)(1) If the public utilities commission has reason to 1131 believe that a wireless service provider or reseller has failed to 1132 bill, collect, or remit the wireless 9-1-1 charge as required by 1133 divisions (A)(1) and (B) of this section or has retained more than 1134 the amount authorized under division (A)(2) of this section, and 1135

after written notice to the provider or reseller, the commission 1136 may audit the provider or reseller for the sole purpose of making 1137 such a determination. The audit may be of include, but is not 1138 limited to, a sample of the provider's or reseller's billings, 1139 collections, remittances, or retentions for a representative 1140 period, and the commission shall make a good faith effort to reach 1141 agreement with the provider or reseller in selecting that sample. 1142

- (2) Upon written notice to the wireless service provider or 1143 reseller, the commission, by order after completion of the audit, 1144 may make an assessment against the provider or reseller if, 1145 pursuant to the audit, the commission determines that the provider 1146 or reseller has failed to bill, collect, or remit the wireless 1147 9-1-1 charge as required by divisions (A)(1) and (B) of this 1148 section or has retained more than the amount authorized under 1149 division (A)(2) of this section. The assessment shall be in the 1150 amount of any remittance that was due and unpaid on the date 1151 notice of the audit was sent by the commission to the provider or 1152 reseller or, as applicable, in the amount of the excess amount 1153 under division (A)(2) of this section retained by the provider or 1154 reseller as of that date. 1155
- (3) The portion of any assessment not paid within sixty days 1156 after the date of service by the commission of the assessment 1157 notice under division (C)(2) of this section shall bear interest 1158 from that date until paid at the rate per annum prescribed by 1159 section 5703.47 of the Revised Code. That interest may be 1160 collected by making an assessment under division (C)(2) of this 1161 section. An assessment under this division and any interest due 1162 shall be remitted in the same manner as the wireless 9-1-1 charge. 1163
- (4) An assessment is final and due and payable and shall be 1164 remitted to the commission unless the assessed party petitions for 1165 rehearing under section 4903.10 of the Revised Code. The 1166 proceedings of the commission specified in division (C)(4) of this 1167

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section are subject to and governed by Chapter 4903. of the Revised Code, except that the court of appeals of Franklin county has exclusive, original jurisdiction to review, modify, or vacate an order of the commission under division (C)(2) of this section. The court shall hear and determine such appeal in the same manner and under the same standards as the Ohio supreme court hears and determines appeals under Chapter 4903. of the Revised Code.

The judgment of the court of appeals is final and conclusive 1175 unless reversed, vacated, or modified on appeal. Such an appeal 1176 may be made by the commission or the person to whom the order 1177 under division (C)(2) of this section was issued and shall proceed 1178 as in the case of appeals in civil actions as provided in Chapter 1179 2505. of the Revised Code.

- (5) After an assessment becomes final, if any portion of the 1181 assessment remains unpaid, including accrued interest, a certified 1182 copy of the commission's entry making the assessment final may be 1183 filed in the office of the clerk of the court of common pleas in 1184 the county in which the place of business of the assessed party is 1185 located. If the party maintains no place of business in this 1186 state, the certified copy of the entry may be filed in the office 1187 of the clerk of the court of common pleas of Franklin county. 1188 Immediately upon the filing, the clerk shall enter a judgment for 1189 the state against the assessed party in the amount shown on the 1190 entry. The judgment may be filed by the clerk in a loose-leaf book 1191 entitled "special judgments for wireless 9-1-1 charges" and shall 1192 have the same effect as other judgments. The judgment shall be 1193 executed upon the request of the commission. 1194
- (6) An assessment under this division does not discharge a 1195 subscriber's liability to reimburse the provider or reseller for 1196 the wireless 9-1-1 charge. If, after the date of service of the 1197 audit notice under division (C)(1) of this section, a subscriber 1198 pays a wireless 9-1-1 charge for the period covered by the 1199

assessment, the payment shall be credited against the assessment.

(7) All money collected by the commission under this division 1201 shall be paid to the treasurer of state, for deposit to the credit 1202 of the wireless 9-1-1 government assistance fund. 1203

Sec. 4931.63. (A) There is hereby created the wireless 9-1-1 1204 administrative fund in the state treasury. A sufficient 1205 percentage, determined by the chairperson of the public utilities 1206 commission but not to exceed four per cent through the first full 1207 fiscal year and two per cent thereafter, of the periodic 1208 remittances of the wireless 9-1-1 charge under section 4931.62 of 1209 the Revised Code shall be deposited to the credit of the fund, to 1210 be used by the commission to cover such nonpayroll costs and, at 1211 the discretion of the commission such payroll costs, of the 1212 commission as are incurred in assisting the coordinator in 1213 carrying out sections 4931.60 to 4931.70 of the Revised Code and 1214 in conducting audits under division (C) of section 4931.62 of the 1215 Revised Code. In addition, the compensation of the Ohio 9-1-1 1216 coordinator, and any expenses of the coordinator in carrying out 1217 those sections, shall be paid from the fund. 1218

(B) There is hereby created the wireless 9-1-1 government 1219 assistance fund, which shall be in the custody of the treasurer of 1220 state but shall not be part of the state treasury. The periodic 1221 remittances of the wireless 9-1-1 charge remaining after the 1222 deposit required by division (A) of this section shall be 1223 deposited to the credit of the wireless 9-1-1 government 1224 assistance fund. The treasurer of state shall deposit or invest 1225 the moneys in this fund in accordance with Chapter 135. of the 1226 Revised Code and any other provision of law governing public 1227 moneys of the state as defined in section 135.01 of the Revised 1228 Code. The treasurer of state shall credit the interest earned to 1229 the fund. The treasurer of state shall disburse money from the 1230

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fund solely upon order of the coordinator as authorized under	1231
section 4931.64 of the Revised Code. Annually, until the fund is	1232
depleted, the treasurer of state shall certify to the coordinator	1233
the amount of moneys in the treasurer of state's custody belonging	1234
to the fund.	1235

- sec. 4931.64. (A) Prior to the first disbursement under this

 section and annually thereafter not later than the twenty-fifth

 day of January, until the wireless 9-1-1 government assistance

 fund is depleted, the Ohio 9-1-1 coordinator shall do both of the

 following for the purposes of division (B) of this section:

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- (1) Determine, for a county that has adopted a final plan 1241 under sections 4931.40 to 4931.70 of the Revised Code for the 1242 provision of wireless enhanced 9-1-1 within the territory covered 1243 by the countywide 9-1-1 system established under the plan, the 1244 number of wireless telephone numbers assigned to wireless service 1245 subscribers that have billing addresses within the county. That 1246 number shall be adjusted between any two counties so that the 1247 number of wireless telephone numbers assigned to wireless service 1248 subscribers who have billing addresses within any portion of a 1249 municipal corporation that territorially lies primarily in one of 1250 the two counties but extends into the other county is added to the 1251 number already determined for that primary county and subtracted 1252 for the other county. 1253
- (2) Determine each county's proportionate share of the 1254 wireless 9-1-1 government assistance fund for the ensuing calendar 1255 year on the basis set forth in division (B) of this section; 1256 estimate the ensuing calendar year's fund balance; compute each 1257 such county's estimated proceeds for the ensuing calendar year 1258 based on its proportionate share and the estimated fund balance; 1259 and certify such amount of proceeds to the county auditor of each 1260 such county. 1261

- (B) The Ohio 9-1-1 coordinator, in accordance with this 1262 division and not later than the last day of each month, shall 1263 disburse the amount credited as remittances to the wireless 9-1-1 1264 government assistance fund during the second preceding month, plus 1265 any accrued interest on the fund. Such a disbursement shall be 1266 paid to each county treasurer. The amount to be so disbursed 1267 monthly to a particular county shall be a proportionate share of 1268 the wireless 9-1-1 government assistance fund balance based on the 1269 ratio between the following: 1270
- (1) The number of wireless telephone numbers determined for 1271 the county by the coordinator pursuant to division (A) of this 1272 section;
- (2) The total number of wireless telephone numbers assigned 1274 to subscribers who have billing addresses within this state. To 1275 the extent that the fund balance permits, the disbursements to 1276 each county shall total at least twenty five ninety thousand 1277 dollars annually.
- (C)(1) Each county that has not adopted a final plan for the provision of wireless enhanced 9-1-1 under sections 4931.40 to 1280 4931.70 of the Revised Code shall be deemed as having done so for the purposes of making the determinations and disbursements under 1282 divisions (A)(1) and (2) and (B) of this section through the third 1283 full calendar year following the effective date of this section. 1284

(2) For each county described in division (C)(1) of this 1286 section and through the third full calendar year following the 1287 effective date of this section, the coordinator shall retain in 1288 the wireless 9-1-1 government assistance fund an amount equal to 1289 what would otherwise be paid as the county's disbursements under 1290 division (B) of this section if it had adopted such a final plan, 1291 plus any related accrued interest, to be set aside for that county 1292 until. If the board of county commissioners notifies the 1293

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coordinator prior to January 1, 2010, that a final plan for the	1294
provision of wireless enhanced 9-1-1 has been adopted, but not	1295
beyond the end of such third year. Provided notification is made	1296
prior to the end of that third year, the coordinator shall	1297
disburse and pay to the county treasurer, not later than the last	1298
day of the month following the month the notification is made, the	1299
total amount so set aside for the county plus any related accrued	1300
interest. After the end of the third full calendar year following	1301
the effective date of this section As of January 1, 2010, any	1302
money and interest so retained and not disbursed as authorized	1303
under this division shall be available for disbursement only as	1304
provided in division (B) of this section.	1305
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(D) Immediately upon receipt by a county treasurer of a	1307
disbursement under division (B) or (C) of this section, the county	1308
shall disburse, in accordance with the allocation formula set	1309
forth in the final plan, the amount the county so received to any	1310
other subdivisions in the county that pay the costs of a public	1311
safety answering point providing wireless enhanced 9-1-1 under the	1312
plan.	1313
(E) Nothing in sections 4931.40 to 4931.70 of the Revised	1314
Code affects the authority of a subdivision operating or served by	1315
a public safety answering point of a 9-1-1 system to use, as	1316
provided in the final plan for the system or in an agreement under	1317
section 4931.48 of the Revised Code, any other authorized revenue	1318
of the subdivision for the purposes of providing basic or enhanced	1319
9-1-1.	1320
Sec. 4931.65. (A) Except as otherwise provided in section	1321
4931.651 of the Revised Code:	1322
(A) A countywide 9-1-1 system receiving a disbursement under	1323
section 4931.64 of the Revised Code shall provide countywide	1324

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wireless enhanced 9-1-1 in accordance with sections 4931.40 to	1325
4931.70 of the Revised Code beginning as soon as reasonably	1326
possible after receipt of the first disbursement or, if that	1327
service is already implemented, shall continue to provide such	1328
service. Except as provided in divisions (B) and (C) of this	1329
section, \underline{a} disbursement shall be used solely for the purpose of	1330
paying either or both of the following:	1331
(1) Any costs of designing, upgrading, purchasing, leasing,	1332
programming, installing, testing, or maintaining the necessary	1333
data, hardware, software, and trunking required for the public	1334
safety answering point or points of the 9-1-1 system to provide	1335
wireless enhanced 9-1-1, which costs are incurred before or on or	1336
after the effective date of this section May 6, 2005, and consist	1337
of such additional costs of the 9-1-1 system over and above any	1338
costs incurred to provide wireline 9-1-1 or to otherwise provide	1339
wireless enhanced 9-1-1. Annually, up to twenty-five thousand	1340
dollars of the disbursements received on or after January 1, 2009,	1341
may be applied to data, hardware, and software that automatically	1342
alerts personnel receiving a 9-1-1 call that a person at the	1343
subscriber's address or telephone number may have a mental or	1344
physical disability, of which that personnel shall inform the	1345
appropriate emergency service provider. On or after the provision	1346
of technical and operational standards pursuant to division (D)(1)	1347
of section 4931.68 of the Revised Code, a subdivision shall	1348
consider the standards before incurring any costs described in	1349
this division.	1350
(2) Any costs of training the staff of the public safety	1351
answering point or points to provide wireless enhanced 9-1-1,	1352
which costs are incurred before or on or after the effective date	1353

of this section and consist of such additional costs of the 9-1-1

system over and above any costs incurred to provide wireline 9-1-1

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Sec. 4931.66. (A)(1) A wireless service provider telephone 1382 company, the state highway patrol as described in division (J) of 1383 section 4931.41 of the Revised Code, and each subdivision 1384 operating one or more public safety answering points for a 1385 countywide system providing wireless 9-1-1, shall provide the Ohio 1386

Committee 9-1-1 coordinator with such information as the coordinator 1387 requests for the purposes of carrying out the coordinator's duties 1388 under sections 4931.60 to 4931.70 of the Revised Code, including, 1389 but not limited to, duties regarding the collection of the 1390 wireless 9-1-1 charge and regarding the provision of a report or 1391 recommendation under section 4931.70 of the Revised Code. 1392 (2) A wireless service provider shall provide an official, 1393 employee, agent, or representative of a subdivision operating a 1394 public safety answering point, or of the state highway patrol as 1395 described in division (J) of section 4931.41 of the Revised Code, 1396 with such technical, service, and location information as the 1397 official, employee, agent, or representative requests for the 1398 purpose of providing wireless 9-1-1. 1399 (3) A subdivision operating one or more public safety 1400 answering points of a 9-1-1 system, and a telephone company, shall 1401 provide to the Ohio 9-1-1 council such information as the council 1402 requires for the purpose of making any recommendation or report 1403 pursuant to carrying out its duties under division (D)(2) of 1404 section 4931.68 of the Revised Code. 1405 (B)(1) Any information provided under division (A) of this 1406 section that consists of trade secrets as defined in section 1407 1333.61 of the Revised Code or of information regarding the 1408 customers, revenues, expenses, or network information of a 1409 telephone company shall be confidential and does not constitute a 1410 public record for the purpose of section 149.43 of the Revised 1411 Code. 1412 (2) The public utilities commission, the Ohio 9-1-1 1413 coordinator, and any official, employee, agent, or representative 1414 of the commission, of the state highway patrol as described in 1415 division (J) of section 4931.41 of the Revised Code, or of a 1416

subdivision operating a public safety answering point, while

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acting or claiming to act in the capacity of the commission or 1418 coordinator or such official, employee, agent, or representative, 1419 shall not disclose any information provided under division (A) of 1420 this section regarding a telephone company's customers, revenues, 1421 expenses, or network information. Nothing in division (B)(2) of 1422 this section precludes any such information from being aggregated 1423 and included in any report required under section 4931.70 or 1424 division (D)(2) of section 4931.69 of the Revised Code, provided 1425 the aggregated information does not identify the number of any 1426 particular company's customers or the amount of its revenues or 1427 expenses or identify a particular company as to any network 1428 information. 1429

- Sec. 4931.70. On the first day of By November preceding the 1430 2007-2009 budget biennium 30, 2011, the Ohio 9-1-1 coordinator 1431 shall submit a report to the general assembly, in accordance with 1432 section 101.68 of the Revised Code, that contains both of the 1433 following:
- (A) A review of the implementation and provision of wireless 1435 enhanced 9-1-1 in this state and a description of how moneys 1436 disbursements from the wireless <u>9-1-1</u> government assistance fund 1437 have been used. In preparing the report, the coordinator shall 1438 consult with the wireless 9-1-1 advisory board. 1439
- (B) The coordinator's recommendation for the coming budget 1440 biennium of any change in the amount of the wireless 9-1-1 charge 1441 and the basis for that recommendation. The recommendation shall 1442 reflect the minimum amount necessary during the coming budget 1443 biennium, given any balance in the wireless 9-1-1 government 1444 assistance fund to be carried over to that biennium and the 1445 projected revenue from the charge, to fully cover the costs 1446 described in division (A) of section 4931.65 of the Revised Code 1447 as projected for that biennium. The amount also shall reflect the 1448

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minimum amount necessary for the wireless 9-1-1 charge to cover	1449
the costs described in division (A) of section 4931.63 of the	1450
Revised Code as projected for the biennium, given the wireless	1451
9-1-1 administrative fund balance to be carried over. In making a	1452
recommendation under this division, the coordinator shall consider	1453
any recommendation of the wireless 9-1-1 advisory board.	1454
Section 2. That existing sections 305.12, 308.04, 503.01,	1455
715.72, 715.74, 715.75, 715.76, 715.761, 715.77, 715.78, 715.81,	1456
4501.21, 4517.21, 4765.43, 4931.61, 4931.62, 4931.63, 4931.64,	1457
4931.65, 4931.66, and 4931.70 of the Revised Code are hereby	1458
repealed.	1459
Section 3. That sections 4503.494, 4503.496, 4503.531, and	1460
4503.92 of the Revised Code be contingently amended to read as	1461
follows:	1462
Sec. 4503.494. (A) The owner or lessee of any passenger car,	1463
noncommercial motor vehicle, recreational vehicle, motorcycle, or	1464
other vehicle of a class approved by the registrar of motor	1465
vehicles may apply to the registrar for the registration of the	1466
vehicle and issuance of "multiple sclerosis awareness" license	1467
plates. The application may be combined with a request for a	1468
special reserved license plate under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of	1469
the Revised Code. Upon receipt of the completed application and	1470
compliance by the applicant with divisions (B) and (C) of this	1471
section, the registrar shall issue to the applicant the	1472
appropriate vehicle registration and a set of "multiple sclerosis	1473
awareness" license plates and a validation sticker, or a	1474
validation sticker alone when required by section 4503.191 of the	1475
Revised Code.	1476
In addition to the letters and numbers ordinarily inscribed	1477
on the license plates, "multiple sclerosis awareness" license	1478

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noncommercial motor vehicle, recreational vehicle, motorcycle, or 1510 other vehicle of a class approved by the registrar of motor 1511 vehicles may apply to the registrar for the registration of the 1512 vehicle and issuance of "sickle cell anemia awareness" license 1513 plates. The application may be combined with a request for a 1514 special reserved license plate under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of 1515 the Revised Code. Upon receipt of the completed application and 1516 compliance by the applicant with divisions (B) and (C) of this 1517 section, the registrar shall issue to the applicant the 1518 appropriate vehicle registration and a set of "sickle cell anemia 1519 awareness" license plates and a validation sticker, or a 1520 validation sticker alone when required by section 4503.191 of the 1521 Revised Code. 1522

In addition to the letters and numbers ordinarily inscribed 1523 on the license plates, "sickle cell anemia awareness" license 1524 plates shall bear words selected by and a logo designed by the 1525 Ohio sickle cell and health association. The registrar shall 1526 approve the final design. "Sickle cell anemia awareness" license 1527 plates shall display county identification stickers that identify 1528 the county of registration by name or number. 1529

(B) "Sickle cell anemia awareness" license plates and a 1530 validation sticker, or validation sticker alone, shall be issued 1531 upon receipt of an application for registration of a motor vehicle 1532 under this section; payment of the regular license tax as 1533 prescribed under section 4503.04 of the Revised Code, any 1534 applicable motor vehicle license tax levied under Chapter 4504. of 1535 the Revised Code, any applicable additional fee prescribed by 1536 section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised Code, an additional fee 1537 of ten dollars, and a contribution as provided in division (C) of 1538 this section; and compliance with all other applicable laws 1539 relating to the registration of motor vehicles. 1540 (C) The registrar shall collect a contribution of ten dollars
for each application for registration and registration renewal
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notice the registrar receives under this section. The registrar
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shall transmit this contribution to the treasurer of state for
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deposit into the state treasury to the credit of the license plate
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contribution fund created by section 4501.21 of the Revised Code.
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The registrar shall transmit the additional fee of ten 1547 dollars, which is to compensate the bureau of motor vehicles for 1548 the additional services required in the issuing of "sickle cell 1549 anemia awareness" license plates, to the treasurer of state for 1550 deposit into the state treasury to the credit of the state bureau 1551 of motor vehicles fund created by section 4501.25 of the Revised 1552 Code.

Sec. 4503.531. (A) The owner or lessee of any passenger car, 1554 noncommercial motor vehicle, recreational vehicle, motorcycle, or 1555 other vehicle of a class approved by the registrar of motor 1556 vehicles may apply to the registrar for the registration of the 1557 vehicle and issuance of "thank you U.S. military" license plates. 1558 The application may be combined with a request for a special 1559 reserved license plate under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the 1560 Revised Code. Upon receipt of the completed application and 1561 compliance by the applicant with divisions (B) and (C) of this 1562 section, the registrar shall issue to the applicant the 1563 appropriate vehicle registration and a set of "thank you U.S. 1564 military" license plates and a validation sticker, or a validation 1565 sticker alone when required by section 4503.191 of the Revised 1566 Code. 1567

In addition to the letters and numbers ordinarily inscribed 1568 on the license plates, "thank you U.S. military" license plates 1569 shall bear the words "thank you U.S. military" and markings 1570 designed by the thank you foundation. The registrar shall approve 1571

contribution fund created by section 4501.21 of the Revised Code. 1591

The registrar shall transmit the additional fee of ten 1592 dollars, which is to compensate the bureau of motor vehicles for 1593 the additional services required in the issuing of "thank you U.S. 1594 military" license plates, to the treasurer of state for deposit 1595 into the state treasury to the credit of the state bureau of motor 1596 vehicles fund created by section 4501.25 of the Revised Code. 1597

Sec. 4503.92. (A) The owner or lessee of any passenger car, 1598 noncommercial motor vehicle, recreational vehicle, motorcycle, or 1599 other vehicle of a class approved by the registrar of motor 1600 vehicles may apply to the registrar for the registration of the 1601 vehicle and issuance of "support our troops" license plates. The 1602

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application may be combined with a request for a special reserved 1603 license plate under section 4503.40 or 4503.42 of the Revised 1604 Code. Upon receipt of the completed application and compliance by 1605 the applicant with divisions (B) and (C) of this section, the 1606 registrar shall issue to the applicant the appropriate vehicle 1607 registration and a set of "support our troops" license plates and 1608 a validation sticker, or a validation sticker alone when required 1609 by section 4503.191 of the Revised Code. 1610

In addition to the letters and numbers ordinarily inscribed on the license plates, "support our troops" license plates shall bear an appropriate logo and the words "support our troops." The bureau of motor vehicles shall design "support our troops" license plates, and they shall display county identification stickers that identify the county of registration by name or number.

- (B) "Support our troops" license plates and a validation 1617 sticker, or validation sticker alone, shall be issued upon receipt 1618 of an application for registration of a motor vehicle under this 1619 section; payment of the regular license tax as prescribed under 1620 section 4503.04 of the Revised Code, any applicable motor vehicle 1621 license tax levied under Chapter 4504. of the Revised Code, any 1622 applicable additional fee prescribed by section 4503.40 or 4503.42 1623 of the Revised Code, an additional fee of ten dollars, and a 1624 contribution as provided in division (C) of this section; and 1625 compliance with all other applicable laws relating to the 1626 registration of motor vehicles. 1627
- (C) For each application for registration and registration 1628 renewal notice the registrar receives under this section, the 1629 registrar shall collect a contribution of twenty-five dollars. The 1630 registrar shall transmit this contribution to the treasurer of 1631 state for deposit into the state treasury to the credit of the 1632 license plate contribution fund created by section 4501.21 of the

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Revised Code.	1634
The registrar shall transmit the additional fee of ten	1635
dollars, which is to compensate the bureau of motor vehicles for	1636
the additional services required in the issuing of "support our	1637
troops" license plates, to the treasurer of state for deposit into	1638
the state treasury to the credit of the state bureau of motor	1639
vehicles fund created by section 4501.25 of the Revised Code.	1640
Section 4. That existing sections 4503.494, 4503.496,	1641
4503.531, and 4503.92 of the Revised Code are hereby contingently	1642
repealed.	1643
Section 5. The amendments by this act of sections 4503.494,	1644
4503.496, 4503.531, and 4503.92 of the Revised Code are contingent	1645
on Sub. S.B. 243 of the 127th General Assembly becoming law.	1646
Section 6. This act is hereby declared to be an emergency	1647
measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public	1648
peace, health, and safety. The reason for such necessity is to	1649
advance and ensure the provision of wireless enhanced 9-1-1 in an	1650
efficient and effective manner, including by maintaining the	1651
wireless 9-1-1 charge for that emergency service that would	1652
otherwise expire at the end of December 2008. Therefore, this act	1653
shall go into immediate effect.	1654