(129th General Assembly)
(Amended House Bill Number 331)

AN ACT

To enact section 121.92 of the Revised Code to create the Cybersecurity, Education, and Economic Development Council.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. That section 121.92 of the Revised Code is hereby enacted to read as follows:

Sec. 121.92. (A) There is hereby created the cybersecurity, education, and economic development council.

(B) The council shall consist of the following members:

(1) The following members appointed by the governor:

(a) A representative from the department of administrative services;

(b) A representative from the department of public safety division of homeland security;

(c) A representative of the department of development;

(d) Two representatives from institutions of higher education, as defined in section 2741.01 of the Revised Code, that have cybersecurity-related programs;

(e) A representative from a community college as defined in section 3354.01 of the Revised Code, state community college as defined in section 3358.01 of the Revised Code, or technical college as defined in section 3357.01 of the Revised Code, that has a cybersecurity-related program;

(f) An adjutant general liaison who is experienced in the cybersecurity field;

(g) A representative from a nonprofit corporation organized under Chapter 1702. of the Revised Code who has a cybersecurity background.

(2) Four representatives of organizations or businesses who have a cybersecurity background, two of whom shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives and two of whom shall be appointed by the president of the senate.

(C) The terms of office for all members of the council shall be two years, with each term ending on the same day of the same month as the term it succeeds. Each member shall hold office from the date of appointment

until the end of the term for which the member was appointed. Members may be reappointed.

Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as original appointments. Any member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring prior to the expiration of the term for which the member's predecessor was appointed shall hold office for the remainder of that term. A member shall continue in office subsequent to the expiration date of the member's term until the member's successor takes office or until a period of sixty days has elapsed, whichever occurs first.

(D) The council shall elect a chairperson who shall be a non-voting member of the council. The council shall meet at least quarterly at the call of the chair. A majority of the voting members of the council constitutes a quorum.

The council is a public body for purposes of section 121.22 of the Revised Code. In addition to the exceptions specified in division (G) of section 121.22 of the Revised Code, and in accordance with the procedures specified in that division, the council may hold an executive session for the sole purpose of considering details relative to the security arrangements and emergency response protocols for any state or local government entity, including state institutions of higher education, considered in the course of the council's duties.

(E) Members shall serve without compensation, except to the extent that serving on the council is considered part of their regular employment duties.

(F) As requested by the council, the office of information security and privacy management within the department of administrative services shall provide staff and other administrative support for the council as necessary to carry out the council's duties.

(G) The council shall conduct a study and make recommendations regarding both of the following:

(1) Improving the infrastructure of the state's cybersecurity operations with existing resources and through partnerships between government, business, and institutions of higher education;

(2) Specific actions that would accelerate growth of the cybersecurity industry in the state.

(H) No later than December 31, 2012, the council shall submit a report of the council's findings to the governor, lieutenant governor, speaker of the house of representatives, president of the senate, and the chairpersons of the committees of the house of representatives and the senate that predominantly deal with economic development, education, and public safety.

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Speaker _____ *of the House of Representatives.*

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President _____ *of the Senate.*

Passed _____, 20____

Approved _____, 20____

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Governor.

The section numbering of law of a general and permanent nature is complete and in conformity with the Revised Code.

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Director, Legislative Service Commission.

Filed in the office of the Secretary of State at Columbus, Ohio, on the ____ day of _____, A. D. 20____.

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Secretary of State.

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