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A BILL

To amend sections 349.01, 349.03, 349.04, 349.06, and

349.14 of the Revised Code to make changes to the

New Community Authority Law.	3
BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:	
Section 1. That sections 349.01, 349.03, 349.04, 349.06, and	4
349.14 of the Revised Code be amended to read as follows:	5
Sec. 349.01. As used in this chapter:	6
(A) "New community" means a community or an addition to an	7
existing community planned pursuant to this chapter so that it	8
includes facilities for the conduct of industrial, commercial,	9
residential, cultural, educational, and recreational activities,	10
and designed in accordance with planning concepts for the	11
placement of utility, open space, and other supportive facilities-	12
In the case of a new community authority established on or	13
after the effective date of this amendment and before January 1,	14
2012, "new community" may mean a community or development of	15
property planned under this chapter in relation to an existing	16
community so that the community includes facilities for the	17
conduct of community activities, and is designed in accordance	18
with planning concepts for the placement of utility, open space,	19

and other supportive facilities for the community.

(B) "New community development program" means a program for
the development of a new community characterized by well-balanced
and diversified land use patterns and which includes land
acquisition and land development, the acquisition, construction,
operation, and maintenance of community facilities, and the
provision of services authorized in this chapter.

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In the case of a new community authority established on or after the effective date of this amendment and before January 1, 2012, a A new community development program may take into account any existing community in relation to which a new community is developed for purposes of being characterized by well-balanced and diversified land use patterns.

- (C) "New community district" means the area of land described

 by the developer in the petition as set forth in division (A) of

 section 349.03 of the Revised Code for development as a new

 community and any lands added to the district by amendment of the

 resolution establishing the community authority.
- (D) "New community authority" means a body corporate and 38 politic in this state, established pursuant to section 349.03 of 39 the Revised Code and governed by a board of trustees as provided 40 in section 349.04 of the Revised Code. 41
- (E) "Developer" means any person, organized for carrying out 42 a new community development program who owns or controls, through 43 leases of at least seventy-five years' duration, options, or 44 contracts to purchase, the land within a new community district, 45 or any municipal corporation, county, or port authority that owns 46 the land within a new community district, or has the ability to 47 acquire such land, either by voluntary acquisition or condemnation 48 in order to eliminate slum, blighted, and deteriorated or 49 deteriorating areas and to prevent the recurrence thereof. In the 50 case of a new community authority established on or after the 51 effective date of this amendment July 7, 2010, and before January 52

1, 2012, "developer" may mean a person, municipal corporation,	53
county, or port authority that controls land within a new	54
community district through leases of at least forty years'	55
duration.	56

- (F) "Organizational board of commissioners" means, if the new 57 community district is located in only one county, the board of 58 county commissioners of such county; if located in more than one 59 county, a board consisting of the members of the board of county 60 commissioners of each of the counties in which the district is 61 located, provided that action of such board shall require a 62 majority vote of the members of each separate board of county 63 commissioners; or, if more than half of the new community district 64 is located within the boundaries of the most populous municipal 65 corporation of a county, the legislative authority of the 66 municipal corporation. 67
- (G) "Land acquisition" means the acquisition of real property 68and interests in real property as part of a new community 69development program. 70
- (H) "Land development" means the process of clearing and 71 grading land, making, installing, or constructing water 72 distribution systems, sewers, sewage collection systems, steam, 73 gas, and electric lines, roads, streets, curbs, gutters, 74 sidewalks, storm drainage facilities, and other installations or 75 work, whether within or without the new community district, and 76 the construction of community facilities. 77
- (I)(1) "Community facilities" means all real property,

 buildings, structures, or other facilities, including related

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 fixtures, equipment, and furnishings, to be owned, operated,

 financed, constructed, and maintained under this chapter,

 including public, community, village, neighborhood, or town

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 buildings, centers and plazas, auditoriums, day care centers,

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 recreation halls, educational facilities, hospital facilities as

defined in section 140.01 of the Revised Code, recreational	85
facilities, natural resource facilities, including parks and other	86
open space land, lakes and streams, cultural facilities, community	87
streets, including off-street parking facilities, pathway and	88
bikeway systems, pedestrian underpasses and overpasses, lighting	89
facilities, design amenities, or other community facilities, and	90
buildings needed in connection with water supply or sewage	91
disposal installations or steam, gas, or electric lines or	92
installation .	93
(2) In the case of a new community authority established on	94
or after the effective date of this amendment and before January	95
1, 2012, "community facilities" may mean, in addition to the	96
facilities authorized in division (I)(1) of this section, any	97
other community facilities that are owned, operated, financed,	98
constructed, or maintained for, relating to, or in furtherance of	99
community activities, including, but not limited to, town	100
buildings or other facilities, <u>and</u> health care facilities	101
including, but limited to, hospital facilities, and off street	102
parking facilities .	103
(J) "Cost" as applied to a new community development program	104
means all costs related to land acquisition and land development,	105
the acquisition, construction, maintenance, and operation of	106
community facilities and offices of the community authority, and	107
of providing furnishings and equipment therefor, financing charges	108
including interest prior to and during construction and for the	109
duration of the new community development program, planning	110
expenses, engineering expenses, administrative expenses including	111
working capital, and all other expenses necessary and incident to	112
the carrying forward of the new community development program.	113
(K) "Income source" means any and all sources of income to	114
the community authority, including community development charges	115

of which the new community authority is the beneficiary as

provided in section 349.07 of the Revised Code, rentals, user fees	117
and other charges received by the new community authority, any	118
gift or grant received, any moneys received from any funds	119
invested by or on behalf of the new community authority, and	120
proceeds from the sale or lease of land and community facilities.	121
(L) "Community development charge" means:	122
(1) A dollar amount which that shall be determined on the	123
basis of the assessed valuation of real property or interests in	124
real property in a new community district sold, leased, or	125
otherwise conveyed by the developer or the new community	126
authority, the income of the residents of such property subject to	127
such charge under section 349.07 of the Revised Code, if such	128
property is devoted to residential uses or to the profits of any	129
business, a uniform fee on each parcel of such real property	130
originally sold, leased, or otherwise conveyed by the developer or	131
new community authority, or any combination of the foregoing	132
bases.	133
(2) For a new community authority that is established on or	134
after the effective date of this amendment and before January 1,	135
2012, "community development charge" includes, in addition to the	136
charges authorized in division (L)(1) of this section, a \underline{A} charge	137
determined on the basis of all or a part of the income of the	138
residents of real property within the new community district if	139
such property is devoted to residential uses, or all or a part of	140
the profits, gross receipts, or other revenues of any business	141
operating in the new community district.	142
(M) "Proximate city" means, as of the date of filing of the	143
petition under section 349.03 of the Revised Code, any municipal	144
corporation in which any portion of the proposed new community	145
district is located, or if more than one-half of the proposed new	146
community district is contained within a joint economic	147

development district under sections 715.70 to 715.83 of the

Revised Code, "proximate city" means the township containing the	149
greatest portion of such district. Otherwise, "proximate city"	150
means any city that, as of the date of filing of the petition	151
under section 349.03 of the Revised Code, is the city with the	152
greatest population located in the county in which the proposed	153
new community district is located, is the city with the greatest	154
population located in an adjoining county if any portion of such	155
city is within five miles of any part of the boundaries of such	156
district, or exercises extraterritorial subdivision authority	157
under section 711.09 of the Revised Code with respect to any part	158
of such district.	159
(N) "Community activities" means cultural, educational,	160
governmental, recreational, residential, industrial, commercial,	161
distribution and research activities, or any combination thereof	162
that includes residential activities.	163
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Sec. 349.03. (A) Proceedings for the organization of a new	164
community authority shall be initiated by a petition filed by the	165
developer in the office of the clerk of the board of county	166
commissioners of one of the counties in which all or part of the	167
proposed new community district is located. Such petition shall be	168
signed by the developer and may be signed by each proximate city.	169
The legislative authorities of each such proximate city shall act	170
in behalf of such city. Such petition shall contain:	171
(1) The name of the proposed new community authority;	172
(2) The address where the principal office of the authority	173
will be located or the manner in which the location will be	174
selected;	175
(3) A map and a full and accurate description of the	176
boundaries of the new community district together with a	177

description of the properties within such boundaries, if any,

which will not be included in the new community district. Unless

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more than one-half of the proposed new community district is or	180
was contained within a joint economic development district under	181
sections 715.70 to 715.83 of the Revised Code or the district is	182
wholly contained within municipalities, the total acreage included	183
in such district shall not be less than one thousand acres, all of	184
which acreage shall be owned by, or under the control through	185
leases of at least seventy-five years' duration, options, or	186
contracts to purchase, of the developer, if the developer is a	187
private entity. Such acreage shall be developable as one	188
functionally interrelated community. In the case of a new	189
community authority established on or after the effective date of	190
this amendment July 7, 2010, and before January 1, 2012, such	191
leases may be of not less than forty years' duration, and the	192
acreage may be developable so that the community is one	193
functionally interrelated community.	194
(4) A statement setting forth the zoning regulations proposed	195
for zoning the area within the boundaries of the new community	196
district for comprehensive development as a new community, and if	197
the area has been zoned for such development, a certified copy of	198
the applicable zoning regulations therefor;	199
(5) A current plan indicating the proposed development	200
program for the new community district, the land acquisition and	201
land development activities, community facilities, services	202
proposed to be undertaken by the new community authority under	203
such program, the proposed method of financing such activities and	204
services, including a description of the bases, timing, and manner	205
of collecting any proposed community development charges, and the	206
projected total residential population of, and employment within,	207
the new community;	208
(6) A suggested number of members consistent with section	200

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349.04 of the Revised Code, for the board of trustees;

(7) A preliminary economic feasibility analysis, including

the area development pattern and demand, location and proposed new	212
community district size, present and future socio-economic	213
conditions, public services provision, financial plan, and the	214
developer's management capability;	215

(8) A statement that the development will comply with all 216 applicable environmental laws and regulations. 217

Upon the filing of such petition, the organizational board of commissioners shall determine whether such petition complies with 219 the requirements of this section as to form and substance. The 220 board in subsequent proceedings may at any time permit the 221 petition to be amended in form and substance to conform to the 222 facts by correcting any errors in the description of the proposed 223 new community district or in any other particular. 224

Upon the determination of the organizational board of 225 commissioners that a sufficient petition has been filed in 226 accordance with this section, the board shall fix the time and 227 place of a hearing on the petition for the establishment of the 228 proposed new community authority. Such hearing shall be held not 229 less than ninety-five nor more than one hundred fifteen days after 230 the petition filing date, except that if the petition has been 231 signed by all proximate cities, such hearing shall be held not 232 less than thirty nor more than forty-five days after the petition 233 filing date. The clerk of the board of county commissioners with 234 which the petition was filed shall give notice thereof by 235 publication once each week for three consecutive weeks, or as 236 provided in section 7.16 of the Revised Code, in a newspaper of 237 general circulation in any county of which a portion is within the 238 proposed new community district. Such clerk shall also give 239 written notice of the date, time, and place of the hearing and 240 furnish a certified copy of the petition to the clerk of the 241 legislative authority of each proximate city which has not signed 242 such petition. In the event that the legislative authority of a 243

proximate city which did not sign the petition does not approve by	244
ordinance, resolution, or motion the establishment of the proposed	245
new community authority and does not deliver such ordinance,	246
resolution, or motion to the clerk of the board of county	247
commissioners with which the petition was filed within ninety days	248
following the date of the first publication of the notice of the	249
public hearing, the organizational board of commissioners shall	250
cancel such public hearing and terminate the proceedings for the	251
establishment of the new community authority.	252

Upon the hearing, if the organizational board of 253 commissioners determines by resolution that the proposed new 254 community district will be conducive to the public health, safety, 255 convenience, and welfare, and is intended to result in the 256 development of a new community, the board shall by its resolution, 257 entered of record in its journal and the journal of the board of 258 county commissioners with which the petition was filed, declare 259 the new community authority to be organized and a body politic and 260 corporate with the corporate name designated in the resolution, 261 and define the boundary of the new community district. In 262 addition, the resolution shall provide the method of selecting the 263 board of trustees of the new community authority and fix the 264 surety for their bonds in accordance with section 349.04 of the 265 Revised Code. 266

If the organizational board of commissioners finds that the 267 establishment of the district will not be conducive to the public 268 health, safety, convenience, or welfare, or is not intended to 269 result in the development of a new community, it shall reject the 270 petition thereby terminating the proceedings for the establishment 271 of the new community authority.

(B) At any time after the creation of a new community 273 authority, the developer may file an application with the clerk of 274 the board of county commissioners of the county in which the 275

original petition was filed, setting forth a general description	276
of territory it desires to add or to delete from such district,	277
that such change will be conducive to the public health, safety,	278
convenience, and welfare, and will be consistent with the	279
development of a new community and will not jeopardize the plan of	280
the new community. If the developer is not a municipal	281
corporation, port authority, or county, all of such an addition to	282
such a district shall be owned by, or under the control through	283
leases of at least seventy-five years' duration, options, or	284
contracts to purchase, of the developer. In the case of a new	285
community authority established on or after the effective date of	286
this amendment July 7, 2010, and before January 1, 2012, such	287
leases may be of not less than forty years' duration. Upon the	288
filing of the application, the organizational board of	289
commissioners shall follow the same procedure as required by this	290
section in relation to the petition for the establishment of the	291
proposed new community.	292

(C) If all or any part of the new community district is 293 annexed to one or more existing municipal corporations, their 294 legislative authorities may appoint persons to replace any 295 appointed citizen member of the board of trustees. The number of 296 such trustees to be replaced by the municipal corporation shall be 297 the number, rounded to the lowest integer, bearing the 298 proportionate relationship to the number of existing appointed 299 citizen members as the acreage of the new community district 300 within such municipal corporation bears to the total acreage of 301 the new community district. If any such municipal corporation 302 chooses to replace an appointed citizen member, it shall do so by 303 ordinance, the term of the trustee being replaced shall terminate 304 thirty days from the date of passage of such ordinance, and the 305 trustee to be replaced shall be determined by lot. Each newly 306 appointed member shall assume the term of the member's 307 predecessor. 308

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replaced.

Sec. 349.04. The following method of selecting a board of	309
trustees is deemed to be a compelling state interest. Within ten	310
days after the new community authority has been established, as	311
provided in section 349.03 of the Revised Code, an initial board	312
of trustees shall be appointed as follows: \pm the organizational	313
board of commissioners shall appoint by resolution at least three,	314
but not more than six, citizen members of the board of trustees to	315
represent the interests of present and future residents and	316
<pre>employers of the new community district and one member to serve as</pre>	317
a representative of local government, and the developer shall	318
appoint a number of members equal to the number of citizen members	319
to serve as representatives of the developer. In the case of a new	320
community authority established on or after the effective date of	321
this amendment and before January 1, 2012, the citizen members may	322
represent present and future employers within the new community	323
district and any present or future residents of the district.	324
Members shall serve two-year overlapping terms, with two of	325
each of the initial citizen and developer members appointed to	326
serve initial one year terms. The organizational board of	327
commissioners shall <u>adopt</u> , by further resolution adopted within	328
one year of such resolution establishing such initial board of	329
trustees adopt, a method for selection of successor members	330
thereof which determines the projected total population of the	331
projected new community and meets the following criteria:	332
(A) The appointed citizen members shall be replaced by	333
elected citizen members according to a schedule established by the	334
organizational board of commissioners calculated to achieve one	335
such replacement each time the new community district gains a	336
proportion, having a numerator of one and a denominator of twice	337
the number of citizen members, of its projected total population	338

until such time as all of the appointed citizen members are

(B) Representatives of the developer shall be replaced by	341
elected citizen members according to a schedule established by the	342
organizational board of commissioners calculated to achieve one	343
such replacement each time the new community district gains a	344
proportion, having a numerator of one and a denominator equal to	345
the number of developer members, of its projected total population	346
until such time as all of the developer's representatives are	347
replaced.	348
(C) The representative of local government shall be replaced	349
by an elected citizen member at the time the new community	350
district gains three-quarters of its projected total population.	351

Elected citizen members of the board of trustees shall be 352 elected by a majority of the residents of the new community 353 district voting at elections held on the first Tuesday after the 354 first Monday in December of each year. Each citizen member except 355 an appointed citizen member shall be a qualified elector who 356 resides within the new community district. In the case of a new 357 community authority established on or after the effective date of 358 this amendment and before January 1, 2012, The petition or the 359 organizational board of directors commissioners, by resolution, 360 may adopt an alternative method of selection or election of 361 successor members of the board of trustees. If the alternative 362 method provides for the election of citizen members, the elections 363 may be held at the times and in the manner provided in a the 364 petition or resolution of the organizational board of 365 commissioners, and the any elected citizen members shall be 366 qualified electors who resides reside in the new community 367 district.

Citizen members shall not be employees of or have financial 369 interest in the developer. If a vacancy occurs in the office of a 370 member other than a member appointed by the developer, the 371 organizational board of commissioners may appoint a successor 372

member for the remainder of the unexpired term. Any appointed	373
member of the board of trustees may at any time be removed by the	374
organizational board of commissioners for misfeasance,	375
nonfeasance, or malfeasance in office. Members appointed by the	376
developer may also at any time be removed by the developer without	377
a showing of cause.	378

Each member of the board of trustees, before entering upon 379 official duties, shall take and subscribe to an oath before an 380 officer authorized to administer oaths in Ohio that the member 381 will honestly and faithfully perform the duties of the member's 382 office. Such oath shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the 383 board of county commissioners in which the petition was filed. 384 Upon taking the oath, the board of trustees shall elect one of its 385 number as chairperson and another as vice-chairperson, and shall 386 appoint suitable persons as secretary and treasurer who need not 387 be members of the board. The treasurer shall be the fiscal officer 388 of the authority. The board shall adopt by-laws governing the 389 administration of the affairs of the new community authority. Each 390 member of the board shall post a bond for the faithful performance 391 of official duties and give surety therefor in such amount, but 392 not less than ten thousand dollars, as the resolution creating 393 such board shall prescribe. 394

All of the powers of the new community authority shall be 395 exercised by its board of trustees, but without relief of such 396 responsibility, such powers may be delegated to committees of the 397 board or its officers and employees in accordance with its 398 by-laws. A majority of the board shall constitute a quorum, and a 399 concurrence of a majority of a quorum in any matter within the 400 board's duties is sufficient for its determination, provided a 401 quorum is present when such concurrence is had and a majority of 402 those members constituting such quorum are trustees not appointed 403 by the developer. All trustees shall be empowered to vote on all 404

matters within the authority of the board of trustees, and no vote	405
by a member appointed by the developer shall be construed to give	406
rise to civil or criminal liability for conflict of interest on	407
the part of public officials.	408
Sec. 349.06. In furtherance of the purposes of this chapter,	409
a new community authority may:	410
(A) Acquire by purchase, lease, gift, or otherwise, on such	411
terms and in such manner as it considers proper, real and personal	412
property or any estate, interest, or right therein, within or	413
without the new community district;	414
(B) Improve, maintain, sell, lease or otherwise dispose of	415
real and personal property and community facilities, on such terms	416
and in such manner as it considers proper;	417
(C) Landscape and otherwise aesthetically improve areas	418
within the new community district, including but not limited to	
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maintenance, landscaping and other community improvement services;	420
(D) Provide, engage in, or otherwise sponsor recreational,	421
educational, health, social, vocational, cultural, beautification,	422
and amusement activities and related services primarily for	423
residents of the district. In the case of a new community	424
authority established on or after the effective date of this	425
amendment and before January 1, 2012, such activities and services	426
may be for residents of, visitors to, employees working within, or	427
employers operating businesses in the district, or any combination	428
thereof.	429
(E) Fix, alter, impose, collect and receive service and user	430
fees, rentals, and other charges to cover all costs in carrying	431
out the new community development program;	432
(F) Adopt, modify, and enforce reasonable rules and	433
regulations governing the use of community facilities;	434
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(G) Employ such managers, administrative officers, agents, 435 engineers, architects, attorneys, contractors, sub-contractors, 436 and employees as may be appropriate in the exercise of the rights, 437 powers and duties conferred upon it, prescribe the duties and 438 compensation for such persons, require bonds to be given by any 439 such persons and by officers of the authority for the faithful 440 performance of their duties, and fix the amount and surety 441 therefor; and pay the same; 442

(H) Sue and be sued in its corporate name;

- (I) Make and enter into all contracts and agreements and 444 execute all instruments relating to a new community development 445 program, including contracts with the developer and other persons 446 447 or entities related thereto for land acquisition and land development; acquisition, construction, and maintenance of 448 community facilities; the provision of community services and 449 management and coordinating services; with federal, state, 450 interstate, regional, and local agencies and political 451 subdivisions or combinations thereof in connection with the 452 financing of such program, and with any municipal corporation or 453 other public body, or combination thereof, providing for the 454 acquisition, construction, improvement, extension, maintenance or 455 operation of joint lands or facilities or for the provision of any 456 services or activities relating to and in furtherance of a new 457 community development program, including the creation of or 458 participation in a regional transit authority created pursuant to 459 the Revised Code; 460
- (J) Apply for and accept grants, loans or commitments of

 guarantee or insurance including any guarantees of community

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 authority bonds and notes, from the United States, the state, or

 other public body or other sources, and provide any consideration

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 which may be required in order to obtain such grants, loans or

 contracts of guarantee or insurance. Such loans or contracts of

guarantee or insurance may be evidenced by the issuance of bonds	467
as provided in section 349.08 of the Revised Code;	468
(K) Procure insurance against loss to it by reason of damage	469
to its properties resulting from fire, theft, accident, or other	470
casualties, or by reason of its liability for any damages to	471
persons or property occurring in the construction or operation of	472
facilities or areas under its jurisdiction or the conduct of its	473
activities;	474
(L) Maintain such funds or reserves as it considers necessary	475
for the efficient performance of its duties;	476
(M) Enter agreements with the boards of education of any	477
school districts in which all or part of the new community	478
district lies, whereby the community authority may acquire	479
property for, may construct and equip, and may sell, lease,	480
dedicate, with or without consideration, or otherwise transfer	481
lands, schools, classrooms, or other facilities, whether or not	482
within the new community district, from the authority to the	483
school district for school and related purposes;	484
(N) Prepare plans for acquisition and development of lands	485
and facilities, and enter into agreements with city, county, or	486
regional planning commissions to perform or obtain all or any part	487
of planning services for the new community district;	488
(0) Engage in planning for the new community district, which	489
may be predominantly residential and open space, and prepare or	490
approve a development plan or plans therefor, and engage in land	491
acquisitions and land development in accordance with such plan or	492
plans;	493
(P) Issue new community authority bonds and notes and	494
community authority refunding bonds, payable solely from the	495
income source provided in section 349.08 of the Revised Code,	496
unless the bonds are refunded by refunding bonds, for the purpose	497

of	paying	any	part	of	the	cost	as	applied	to	the	new	community	498
dev	velopmen	nt pr	rogram	n or	par	rts th	nere	eof;					499

- (0) Enforce any covenants running with the land of which the 500 new community authority is the beneficiary, including but not 501 limited to the collection by any and all appropriate means of any 502 community development charge deemed to be a covenant running with 503 the land and enforceable by the new community authority pursuant 504 to section 349.07 of the Revised Code; and to waive, reduce, or 505 terminate any community development charge of which it is the 506 beneficiary to the extent not needed for any of the purposes 507 provided in section 349.07 of the Revised Code, the procedure for 508 which shall be provided in such covenants, and if new community 509 authority bonds have been issued pledging any such community 510 development charge, to the extent not prohibited in the resolution 511 authorizing the issuance of such new community authority bonds or 512 the trust agreement or indenture of mortgage securing the bonds; 513
- (R) Appropriate for its use, under sections 163.01 to 163.22 514 of the Revised Code, any land, easement, rights, rights-of-way, 515 franchises, or other property in the new community district 516 required by the authority for community facilities. The authority 517 may not so appropriate any land, easement, rights, rights-of-way, 518 franchises, or other property that is not included in the new 519 community district.
- (S) In the case of a new community authority established on 521 or after the effective date of this amendment and before January 522 1, 2012, enter Enter into any agreements as may be necessary, 523 appropriate, or useful to support a new community development 524 program, including, but not limited to, cooperative agreements or 525 other agreements with political subdivisions for services, 526 materials, or products; for the administration, calculation, or 527 collection of community development charges; or for sharing of 528 revenue derived from community development charges, community 529

facilitie	es, or	other	soui	ces.	. The	agr	reements	may	be	made	with	or	530
without o	consid	eration	n as	the	parti	les	determin	ne.					531

Sec. 349.14. Except as provided in section 349.03 of the 532 Revised Code, or as otherwise provided in a resolution adopted by 533 the organizational board of commissioners, of a new community 534 authority established on or after the effective date of this 535 amendment and before January 1, 2012, a new community authority 536 organized under this chapter may be dissolved only on the vote of 537 a majority of the voters of the new community district at a 538 special election called by the board of trustees on the question 539 of dissolution. Such an election may be called only after the 540 board has determined that the new community development program 541 has been completed, when no community authority bonds or notes are 542 outstanding, and other legal indebtedness of the authority has 543 been discharged or provided for, and only after there has been 544 filed with the board of trustees a petition requesting such 545 election, signed by a number of qualified electors residing in the 546 new community district equal to not less than eight per cent of 547 the total vote cast for all candidates for governor in the new 548 community district at the most recent general election at which a 549 governor was elected. If a majority of the votes cast favor 550 dissolution, the board of trustees shall, by resolution, declare 551 the authority dissolved and thereupon the community authority 552 shall be dissolved. A certified copy of the resolution shall, 553 within fifteen days after its adoption, be filed with the clerk of 554 the board of county commissioners of the county in which the 555 petition for the organization of the new community authority was 556 filed. 557

Upon dissolution of a new community authority, the powers 558 thereof shall cease to exist. Any property of the new community 559 authority which that is located within the corporate limits of a 560 municipality shall vest in that municipal corporation and all 561

other property of the community authority shall vest in the county	562
or township in which said property is located, as provided in the	563
resolution or petition providing for dissolution. Any vesting of	564
property in a township shall be subject to acceptance of the	565
property by resolution of the board of township trustees. Any	566
funds of the community authority at the time of dissolution shall	567
be transferred to the municipal corporation and county $\underline{\text{or}}$	568
township, as provided in the resolution or petition providing for	569
dissolution, in which the new community district is located in the	570
proportion to the assessed valuation of taxable real property of	571
the new community authority within such municipal corporation and	572
county or township as said valuation appears on the current	573
assessment rolls.	574

Section 2. That existing sections 349.01, 349.03, 349.04, 575 349.06, and 349.14 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed. 576

Section 3. The amendments to Chapter 349. of the Revised Code 577 enacted by this act apply to any proceedings commenced after the 578 amendments' effective date, and, so far as their provisions 579 support the actions taken, also apply to proceedings that on their 580 effective date are pending, in progress, or completed, 581 notwithstanding the applicable law previously in effect or any 582 provision to the contrary in a prior resolution, ordinance, order, 583 advertisement, notice, or other proceeding. Any proceedings 584 pending or in progress on the effective date of those amendments 585 shall be deemed to have been taken in conformity with the 586 amendment. 587

The authority provided in the amendments to Chapter 349. of 588 the Revised Code of this act provide additional and supplemental 589 provisions for the subject matter that may also be the subject of 590 other laws, and is supplemental to and not in derogation of any 591 similar authority provided by, derived from, or implied by, the 592

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Ohio Constitution, or any other law, including laws amended by	593
this act, or any charter, order, resolution, or ordinance, and no	594
inference shall be drawn to negate the authority thereunder by	595
reason of express provisions contained in the amendments to	596
Chapter 349. of the Revised Code enacted by this act.	597