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**A B I L L**

To amend section 3311.19 and to enact section 1  
3311.191 of the Revised Code to revise the law 2  
regarding terms of office of members of certain 3  
joint vocational school district boards of 4  
education. 5

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

**Section 1.** That section 3311.19 be amended and section 6  
3311.191 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows: 7

**Sec. 3311.19.** (A) The management and control of a joint 8  
vocational school district shall be vested in the joint vocational 9  
school district board of education which, beginning on ~~the~~ 10  
~~effective date of this amendment~~ September 29, 2013, shall be 11  
appointed under division (C) of this section. 12

All members of a joint vocational school district board 13  
serving unexpired terms on ~~the effective date of this amendment~~ 14  
September 29, 2013, may continue in office until the expiration of 15  
their terms. If a member leaves office for any reason prior to the 16  
expiration of that member's term, the vacancy shall be filled only 17  
in the manner provided in division (C) of this section. 18

(B) ~~Members~~ Except as provided in section 3311.191 of the Revised Code, members of the joint vocational school district board appointed on or after ~~the effective date of this amendment~~ September 29, 2013, shall serve for three-year terms of office. No member shall hold office for a period of longer than two consecutive terms. Terms shall be considered consecutive unless separated by three or more years.

Members of the board shall be selected based on the diversity of the employers from the geographical region of the state in which the territory of the joint vocational school district is located represented by the members. Not less than three-fifths of the members of the board shall reside in or be employed within the territory of the joint vocational school district board upon which the member serves.

(C) The manner of appointment and the total number of members appointed to the joint vocational school district board shall be in accordance with the most recent plan for the joint vocational school district on file with the department of education. An individual shall not be a member of an appointing board, unless the individual meets the criteria in division (C)(2) of this section.

(1) Appointments under this section shall be made as the terms of members of each joint vocational school district board who are serving unexpired terms on ~~the effective date of this amendment~~ September 29, 2013, expire or as those offices are otherwise vacated prior to the expiration date.

(2) Members of the joint vocational board shall have experience as chief financial officers, chief executive officers, human resources managers, or other business, industry, or career counseling professionals who are qualified to discuss the labor needs of the region with respect to the regional economy. The appointing board shall appoint individuals who represent employers

in the region served by the joint vocational school district who 51  
are qualified to consider the state's workforce needs with an 52  
understanding of the skills, training, and education needed for 53  
current and future employment opportunities in the state. The 54  
appointing board may give preference to individuals who have 55  
served as members on a joint vocational school business advisory 56  
committee who meet the qualifications in division (C)(2) of this 57  
section. 58

(D) The vocational schools in the joint vocational school 59  
district shall be available to all youth of school age within the 60  
joint vocational school district subject to the rules adopted by 61  
the joint vocational school district board of education in regard 62  
to the standards requisite to admission. A joint vocational school 63  
district board of education shall have the same powers, duties, 64  
and authority for the management and operation of such joint 65  
vocational school district as is granted by law, except by this 66  
chapter and Chapters 124., 3317., 3323., and 3331. of the Revised 67  
Code, to a board of education of a city school district, and shall 68  
be subject to all the provisions of law that apply to a city 69  
school district, except such provisions in this chapter and 70  
Chapters 124., 3317., 3323., and 3331. of the Revised Code. 71

(E) The superintendent of schools of a joint vocational 72  
school district shall exercise the duties and authority vested by 73  
law in a superintendent of schools pertaining to the operation of 74  
a school district and the employment and supervision of its 75  
personnel. The joint vocational school district board of education 76  
shall appoint a treasurer of the joint vocational school district 77  
who shall be the fiscal officer for such district and who shall 78  
have all the powers, duties, and authority vested by law in a 79  
treasurer of a board of education. 80

(F) Each member of a joint vocational school district board 81  
of education may be paid such compensation as the board provides 82

by resolution, but it shall not exceed one hundred twenty-five 83  
dollars per member for each meeting attended plus mileage, at the 84  
rate per mile provided by resolution of the board, to and from 85  
meetings of the board. 86

The board may provide by resolution for the deduction of 87  
amounts payable for benefits under section 3313.202 of the Revised 88  
Code. 89

Each member of a joint vocational school district board may 90  
be paid such compensation as the board provides by resolution for 91  
attendance at an approved training program, provided that such 92  
compensation shall not exceed sixty dollars per day for attendance 93  
at a training program three hours or fewer in length and one 94  
hundred twenty-five dollars a day for attendance at a training 95  
program longer than three hours in length. However, no board 96  
member shall be compensated for the same training program under 97  
this section and section 3313.12 of the Revised Code. 98

Sec. 3311.191. (A) Subject to division (B) of this section, 99  
if a joint vocational school district has an even number of member 100  
districts each appointing a member to the joint vocational school 101  
district board of education and the joint vocational school 102  
district's plan on file with the department of education provides 103  
for one additional board member to be appointed on a rotating 104  
basis by one of the appointing boards, the term of that additional 105  
member shall be for one year. The additional member shall 106  
otherwise meet the requirements for joint vocational school board 107  
members prescribed by section 3311.19 of the Revised Code. 108

(B) If an additional member of a joint vocational school 109  
district board appointed on a rotating basis, as described in 110  
division (A) of this section, was appointed on or after September 111  
29, 2013, but prior to the effective date of this section, that 112  
member may continue in office until the expiration of the member's 113

current term of office. If such member vacates that office for any 114  
reason prior to the expiration of that member's term, a new 115  
additional member shall be appointed according to the rotational 116  
basis prescribed by the district's plan, and that member shall 117  
serve for the remainder of the vacating member's term. Thereafter, 118  
the term of office of the additional member shall be as prescribed 119  
by division (A) of this section. 120

**Section 2.** That existing section 3311.19 of the Revised Code 121  
is hereby repealed. 122