(134th General Assembly) (Substitute Senate Bill Number 166)

AN ACT

To amend sections 3301.17, 3302.03, 3313.6113, 3317.014, 3333.125, 3345.011, 3317.164 3350.11, 3735.671, 4715.39, 4715.53, 4715.66, 5709.82, 5709.83, and 5747.98 and to enact sections 3303.07, 3313.905, 3317.162, and 5747.057 of the Revised Code with regard to career-technical education, career awareness and exploration funds, the compensation of joint vocational school districts located in community reinvestment areas, the operation of the Northeast Ohio Medical University, and private certifications with respect to dental assistants, to make changes to the Commercial Truck Driver Student Aid Program, and to declare an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. That sections 3301.17, 3302.03, 3313.6113, 3317.014, 3333.125, 3345.011, 3317.164 3350.11, 3735.671, 4715.39, 4715.53, 4715.66, 5709.82, 5709.83, and 5747.98 be amended and sections 3303.07, 3313.905/3317.162/ and 5747.057 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows:

Sec. 3301.17. (A) The board of education of each city, exempted village, local, and joint vocational school district may make a driver education course available to high school students enrolled in the district in accordance with Chapter 4508. of the Revised Code. No school district making such a course available shall require any pupil student to enroll in the course in lieu of taking a training course from a private driver training school licensed under that chapter.

(B) The principal of each high school shall annually give written notice to the <u>pupils students</u> enrolled in the high school that they may elect, under a procedure that shall be described in the notice, to take a training course from a private driver training school or, if available, enroll in a driver education course made available by the <u>pupil's student's</u> school district of attendance. No pupil shall receive course credit toward graduation for completing a driver education course conducted by a school district under this section.

(C) Students who successfully complete a driver education course offered by the student's school district of attendance or through any agency or organization that the district contracts with to offer such a course under this section may earn either:

(1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in division (C)(8) of section 3313.603 of the Revised Code, up to one-half unit towards high school elective credits that may substitute for credits in the subjects listed under that division:

(2) An industry-recognized credential approved under section 3313.6113 of the Revised Code. A student may be granted up to two points toward a high school diploma under the list of industry-recognized credentials established and updated under section 3313.6113 of the Revised Code.

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(3), (D), and (E) of this section.

Sec. 3303.07. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Lead district" has the same meaning as in section 3317.023 of the Revised Code;

(2) "Ohio technical center" has the same meaning as in section 3333.94 of the Revised Code.

(B) The department of education shall establish the student pathways for career success grant program to provide grants to lead districts and Ohio technical centers for the purpose of improving or expanding upon career-technical education programming that meets state or regional workforce needs.

(C) The state board of education shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code to administer the program that address all of the following:

(1) Grant eligibility requirements;

(2) Grant application forms and procedures, including reapplication procedures;

(3) Any other rules the state board considers necessary for the operation of the program.

(D) When adopting rules under division (C) of this section, the state board may prioritize the awarding of grants for career-technical education programs that prepare students for occupations included in the list of in-demand jobs created under section 6301.11 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3313.6113. (A) The superintendent of public instruction, in collaboration with the governor's office of workforce transformation and representatives of business organizations, shall establish a committee to develop a list of industry-recognized credentials and licenses that may be used to qualify for a high school diploma under division (A)(3) of section 3313.618 of the Revised Code and shall be used for state report card purposes under section 3302.03 of the Revised Code. The state superintendent shall appoint the members of the committee not later than January 1, 2018.

(B) The committee shall do the following:

(1) Establish criteria for acceptable industry-recognized credentials and licenses aligned with the in-demand jobs list published by the department of job and family services;

(2) Review the list of industry-recognized credentials and licenses that was in existence on January 1, 2018, and update the list as it considers necessary;

(3) Review and update the list of industry-recognized credentials and licenses at least biennially;

(4) Update the list of industry-recognized credentials to include a driver's license obtained by a student through a driver education course offered by a school district in accordance with section 3301.17 of the Revised Code.

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Sec. 3313.905/. (A) As used in this section, "digital learning" has the same meaning as in section 3301.079 of the Revised Code.

(B) The state board of education shall permit each career-technical education program approved under section 3317.161 of the Revised Code to provide remote or digital learning opportunities to students on a full-time or hybrid basis to the extent practicable.

Sec. 3317.014. (A) The multiples for the following categories of career-technical education programs approved by the department of education under section 3317.161 of the Revised Code shall be as follows:

(1) A multiple of 0.6230 for students enrolled in career-technical education workforce development programs in agricultural and environmental systems, construction technologies,

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on experiences, and job shadowing, across all career pathways at each grade level.

The department may deny payment under this division to any district or school that the department determines is using funds paid under this division for other purposes.

Sec. 3317.162/ (A) As used in this section, "JobsOhio" has the same meaning as in section 187.01 of the Revised Code.

(B) The governor's office of workforce transformation, in collaboration with the department of education, the chancellor of higher education, and JobsOhio, shall create a program that establishes financial incentives for Ohio businesses to provide work-based learning experiences for students enrolled in a career-technical education program approved under section 3317.161 of the Revised Code.

(C) To qualify for the financial incentives of the program created under this section, a business's work-based learning experiences shall align with the framework developed by the department under division (J)(3) of section 3313.603 of the Revised Code and with the applicable minor labor laws under section 4109.02 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3333.125. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Eligible student" means an individual who satisfies all of the following:

(a) The individual is an Ohio resident.

(b) The individual is enrolled in a certified commercial driver's license an eligible school.

(c) The individual has passed a drug test.

(d) The individual does not have more than three moving violations in two consecutive years. If an individual who the chancellor of higher education eligible school has determined is an eligible student has three moving violations in two consecutive years while participating in the program, the individual shall no longer be considered eligible for continued participation in the program.

(e) The individual has not plead guilty to or been convicted of operating a vehicle under the influence of alcohol or a drug of abuse under section 4511.19 of the Revised Code in the past twelve months. If an individual who the chancellor eligible school has determined is an eligible student pleads guilty to or is convicted of operating a vehicle under the influence of alcohol or a drug of abuse while participating in the program, the individual shall no longer be considered eligible for continued participation in the program.

(f) The individual meets any additional eligibility criteria established under rules adopted by the chancellor, in consultation with the director of public safety, under division (G) (F) of this section.

(2) "Certified commercial driver's license school" means a commercial driver's license school certified by the chancellor. The chancellor shall adopt requirements for approval of certification and review applications based on those requirements. "Eligible school" means either of the following:

(a) A commercial driver training school certified by the director of public safety as holding a license issued pursuant to section 4508.03 or 4508.09 of the Revised Code, rules adopted under either of those sections, and other necessary standards and procedures as determined by the director;

(b) A program exempted from licensure by the director of public safety under section 4508.07 of the Revised Code but approved to be a commercial driver training school by the chancellor and the director for purposes of the student aid program at any of the following:

(i) A state institution of higher education, as defined in section 3345.011 of the Revised Code:

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

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