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This table summarizes how the latest substitute version of the bill differs from the immediately preceding version. It addresses only the topics on which the two versions differ substantively. It does not list topics on which the two bills are substantively the same.

Previous Version (As Introduced)	Latest Version (I_133_1169-3)	
Responsibilities of Office of Workforce Transformation		
No provision.	Requires the Office of Workforce Transformation to act as a liaison between the business community and the Department of Education or the Chancellor of Higher Education with regard to industry-recognized credentials and certificate programs (R.C. 6301.22(A)).	
Permits an Ohio employer to petition the Governor's Office of Workforce Transformation to develop an industry-recognized credential or certificate program that is aligned with the knowledge and skills necessary to meet Ohio's workforce needs (R.C. 6301.22(A)).	In its role as a liaison, requires the Office of Workforce Transformation to accept inquiries from the business community regarding (1) industry-recognized credentials approved by the Superintendent of Public Instruction's committee to develop a list of industry-recognized	

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	credentials and licenses that may be used to qualify for a high school diploma, (2) industry-recognized credentials and certificate programs included in the Chancellor's inventory of credit and noncredit certificate programs and industry-recognized credentials offered at state institutions of higher education and Ohio technical centers that align with in-demand jobs in the state, and (3) any other existing or proposed credential or certificate program necessary to meet Ohio's workforce needs, as determined by the Office of Workforce Transformation (R.C. 6301.22(A)).
No provision.	Requires the Office of Workforce Transformation, based on inquiries from the business community, to request information about industry-recognized credentials approved by the state Superintendent's committee from the Department of Education and information about industry-recognized credentials and certificate programs included in the Chancellor's inventory from the Chancellor (R.C. 6301.22(B)).
Permits the Office of Workforce Transformation, in consultation with the Department of Education, the Chancellor of Higher Education, and other stakeholders, to develop an industry-recognized credential or certificate program in response to a petition from an Ohio employer (R.C. 6301.22(B)).	Requires the Office of Workforce Transformation, in collaboration with the Department of Education, the Chancellor and any other stakeholders, including regional education providers, the Office of Workforce Transformation determines appropriate, to convene a review of an existing or proposed industry-recognized credential or certificate program (R.C. 6301.22(C)).
Permits the Office of Workforce Transformation to prioritize the development of a credential or certificate program that is related to indemand jobs (R.C. 6301.22(B)).	No provision.
Requires that a developed credential or certificate must include any curriculum, standards, or materials that are determined necessary by the Office of Workforce Transformation (R.C. 6301.22(C)).	No provision.

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Requires the Office of Workforce Transformation to submit a developed credential or certificate program, as appropriate, to either the committee regarding industry-recognized credentials established by the state Superintendent or to the Chancellor for inclusion on the inventory created by the Chancellor or other purposes determined appropriate by the Chancellor (R.C. 6301.22(D)).	Requires the Office of Workforce Transformation to submit the findings of the Department of Education or the Chancellor, as appropriate, to the business that requested the review (R.C. 6301.22(C)).
No provision.	Specifies that the responsibilities of the Office of Workforce Transformation under the bill do not affect the responsibilities of the state Superintendent's committee in approving industry-recognized credentials or the responsibilities of the Chancellor in creating the inventory of industry-recognized credentials or certificate programs (R.C. 6301.22(D)).
State Superintendent's committee	
Requires the state Superintendent's committee to review any credentials submitted by the Office of Workforce Transformation and update the committee's list of industry-recognized credentials as the committee considers necessary (R.C. 3313.6113(B)(3)).	No provision.
Chancellor's inventory	
Requires the Chancellor to add any credential or certificate program submitted by the Office of Workforce Transformation to the inventory created by the Chancellor, as the Chancellor determines appropriate (R.C. 3333.94(B)(2)).	No provision.