

AN ACT

To enact section 6301.22 of the Revised Code regarding the governor's office of workforce transformation and industry-recognized credentials and certificate programs.

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

SECTION 1. That section 6301.22 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as follows:

Sec. 6301.22. (A) With regard to industry-recognized credentials and certificate programs, the governor's office of workforce transformation shall act as a liaison between the business community and the department of education or the chancellor of higher education. In acting as a liaison, the governor's office of workforce transformation shall accept inquiries from the business community regarding all of the following:

- (1) Industry-recognized credentials approved under section 3313.6113 of the Revised Code;
- (2) Certificate programs and industry-recognized credentials included in the inventory prescribed under section 3333.94 of the Revised Code;
- (3) Any other existing or proposed credential or certificate program necessary to meet the workforce needs of the state, as determined by the office.

(B) Based on inquiries submitted under division (A) of this section, the governor's office of workforce transformation shall do either of the following:

- (1) Request information from the department of education regarding industry-recognized credentials approved under section 3313.6113 of the Revised Code;
- (2) Request information from the chancellor regarding certificate programs and industry-recognized credentials included in the inventory prescribed under section 3333.94 of the Revised Code or offered by an institution that holds a certificate of authorization issued under Chapter 1713. of the Revised Code.

(C) Based on inquiries submitted under division (A) of this section, the governor's office of workforce transformation, in collaboration with the department of education, the chancellor, and other stakeholders, including regional education providers, determined appropriate by the office, shall convene a review of an existing or proposed industry-recognized credential or certificate program. The office shall submit the findings of the department of education or the chancellor, as appropriate, to the business that submitted the inquiry for which the review was initiated.

(D) Nothing in this section shall affect the responsibilities assigned under division (B) of section 3313.6113 of the Revised Code to the committee established under division (A) of that section or the responsibilities assigned to the chancellor under division (B) of section 3333.94 of the Revised Code.

Speaker _____ *of the House of Representatives.*

President _____ *of the Senate.*

Passed _____, 20____

Approved _____, 20____

Governor.

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

Director, Legislative Service Commission.

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Secretary of State.

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