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Committee**

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A BILL

To enact section 6301.22 of the Revised Code 1
regarding the governor's office of workforce 2
transformation and industry-recognized 3
credentials and certificate programs. 4

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

Section 1. That section 6301.22 of the Revised Code be 5
enacted to read as follows: 6

Sec. 6301.22. (A) With regard to industry-recognized 7
credentials and certificate programs, the governor's office of 8
workforce transformation shall act as a liaison between the 9
business community and the department of education or the 10
chancellor of higher education. In acting as a liaison, the 11
governor's office of workforce transformation shall accept 12
inquiries from the business community regarding all of the 13
following: 14

(1) Industry-recognized credentials approved under section 15
3313.6113 of the Revised Code; 16

(2) Certificate programs and industry-recognized 17

credentials included in the inventory prescribed under section 18
3333.94 of the Revised Code; 19

(3) Any other existing or proposed credential or 20
certificate program necessary to meet the workforce needs of the 21
state, as determined by the office. 22

(B) Based on inquiries submitted under division (A) of 23
this section, the governor's office of workforce transformation 24
shall do either of the following: 25

(1) Request information from the department of education 26
regarding industry-recognized credentials approved under section 27
3313.6113 of the Revised Code; 28

(2) Request information from the chancellor regarding 29
certificate programs and industry-recognized credentials 30
included in the inventory prescribed under section 3333.94 of 31
the Revised Code or offered by an institution that holds a 32
certificate of authorization issued under Chapter 1713. of the 33
Revised Code. 34

(C) Based on inquiries submitted under division (A) of 35
this section, the governor's office of workforce transformation, 36
in collaboration with the department of education, the 37
chancellor, and other stakeholders, including regional education 38
providers, determined appropriate by the office, shall convene a 39
review of an existing or proposed industry-recognized credential 40
or certificate program. The office shall submit the findings of 41
the department of education or the chancellor, as appropriate, 42
to the business that submitted the inquiry for which the review 43
was initiated. 44

(D) Nothing in this section shall affect the 45
responsibilities assigned under division (B) of section 46

<u>3313.6113 of the Revised Code to the committee established under</u>	47
<u>division (A) of that section or the responsibilities assigned to</u>	48
<u>the chancellor under division (B) of section 3333.94 of the</u>	49
<u>Revised Code.</u>	50