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# A BILL

To amend sections 3313.608, 3328.02, and 3328.15 and	1
to enact sections 3301.077, 3302.13, 3302.14,	2
3318.62, 3319.233, and 3333.049 of the Revised	3
Code to revise the requirements of the Third-Grade	4
Reading Guarantee, to revise the laws regarding	5
facilities of a college-preparatory boarding	6
school, and to declare an emergency.	7

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

Section 1. That sections 3313.608, 3328.02, and 3328.15 be	8
amended and sections 3301.077, 3302.13, 3302.14, 3318.62,	9
3319.233, and 3333.049 of the Revised Code be enacted to read as	10
follows:	11

Sec. 3301.077. Not later than January 31, 2014, the state	12
board of education shall adopt reading competencies for all	13
reading credentials and training. Such competencies shall include,	14

but not be limited to, an understanding of phonemic awareness,	15
phonics, fluency, vocabulary, comprehension, appropriate use of	16
assessments, differentiated instruction, and selection of	17
appropriate instructional materials and application of	18
research-based instructional practices.	19
Sec. 3302.13. (A) This section applies to any school district	20
or community school that meets both of the following criteria, as	21
reported on the past two consecutive report cards issued for that	22
district or school under section 3302.03 of the Revised Code:	23
(1) The district or school received a grade of "D" or "F" on	24
the kindergarten through third-grade literacy progress measure	25
under division (C)(3)(e) of section 3302.03 of the Revised Code.	26
(2) Less than sixty per cent of the district's students who	27
took the third grade English language arts assessment prescribed	28
under section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code during the most recent	29
fall and spring administrations of that assessment attained at	30
least a proficient score on that assessment.	31
(B) By December 31, 2016, and by the thirty-first day of each	32
December thereafter, any school district or community school that	33
meets the criteria set forth in division (A) of this section shall	34
submit to the department of education a school or district reading	35
achievement improvement plan, which shall include all requirements	36
prescribed by the state board of education pursuant to division	37
(C) of this section.	38
(C) Not later than December 31, 2014, the state board shall	39
adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code	40
prescribing the content of and deadlines for the reading	41
achievement improvement plans required under division (B) of this	42
section. The rules shall prescribe that each plan include, at a	43
minimum, an analysis of relevant student performance data,	44

measurable student performance goals, strategies to meet specific	45
student needs, a staffing and professional development plan, and	46
instructional strategies for improving literacy.	47
(D) Any school district or community school to which this	48
section applies shall no longer be required to submit an	49
improvement plan pursuant to division (B) of this section when	50
that district or school meets either of the following criteria, as	51
reported on the most recent report card issued for that district	52
or school under section 3302.03 of the Revised Code:	53
(1) The district or school received a grade of "C" or higher	54
<u>on the kindergarten through third-grade literacy progress measure</u>	55
under division (C)(3)(e) of section 3302.03 of the Revised Code.	56
(2) Not less than sixty per cent of the district's students	57
who took the third grade English language arts assessment	58
prescribed under section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code during the	59
most recent fall and spring administrations of that assessment	60
attain at least a proficient score on that assessment.	61
(E) The department of education shall post in a prominent	62
location on its web site all plans submitted pursuant to this	63
section.	64
Sec. 3302.14. The department of education annually shall	65
collect, analyze, and publish data regarding reading achievement	66
in schools and progress in assisting all students to become	67
proficient readers. Beginning on January 31, 2015, and on the	68
thirty-first day of each January thereafter, the department shall	69
report these findings, in accordance with section 101.68 of the	70
Revised Code, to the governor, the general assembly, and the state	71
board of education. The report shall include, but not be limited	72
to, both of the following:	73
(A) The progress of all students that were on a reading	74

<u>as data is made available.</u>

intervention plan at any time during grades kindergarten through75four while enrolled in the state's public school system.76(B) The progress of school districts and community schools77that are currently operating under a reading achievement78improvement plan pursuant to section 3302.13 of the Revised Code,79

**sec. 3313.608.** (A)(1) Beginning with students who enter third 81 grade in the school year that starts July 1, 2009, and until June 82 30, 2013, unless the student is excused under division (C) of 83 section 3301.0711 of the Revised Code from taking the assessment 84 described in this section, for any student who attains a score in 85 the range does not attain at least the equivalent level of 86 achievement designated under division (A)(3) of section 3301.0710 87 of the Revised Code on the assessment prescribed under that 88 section to measure skill in English language arts expected at the 89 end of third grade, each school district, in accordance with the 90 policy adopted under section 3313.609 of the Revised Code, shall 91 do one of the following: 92

(a) Promote the student to fourth grade if the student's
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principal and reading teacher agree that other evaluations of the
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student's skill in reading demonstrate that the student is
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academically prepared to be promoted to fourth grade;
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(b) Promote the student to fourth grade but provide the 97student with intensive intervention services in fourth grade; 98

(c) Retain the student in third grade.

(2) Beginning with students who enter third grade in the
2013-2014 school year, <u>unless the student is excused under</u>
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division (C) of section 3301.0711 of the Revised Code from taking
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the assessment described in this section, no school district shall
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promote to fourth grade any student who attains a score in the
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designated under division (A)(3) of section 3301.0710 of the	106
Revised Code on the assessment prescribed under that section to	107
measure skill in English language arts expected at the end of	108
third grade, unless one of the following applies:	109
(a) The student is a limited English proficient student who	110
has been enrolled in United States schools for less than ${\sf two}$ <u>three</u>	111
full school years and has had less than <del>two</del> <u>three</u> years of	112
instruction in an English as a second language program.	113
(b) The student is a child with a disability entitled to	114
special education and related services under Chapter 3323. of the	115
Revised Code and the student's individualized education program	116
exempts the student from retention under this division.	117
(c) The student demonstrates an acceptable level of	118
performance on an alternative standardized reading assessment as	119
determined by the department of education.	120
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range does not attain at least the equivalent level of achievement

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(e)(i) The student received intensive remediation for reading 135 for two school years but still demonstrates a deficiency in 136 reading and was previously retained in any of grades kindergarten 137 to three. 138

(ii) A student who is promoted under division (A)(2)(e)(i) of 139 this section shall continue to receive intensive reading 140 instruction in grade four. The instruction shall include an 141 altered instructional day that includes specialized diagnostic 142 information and specific research-based reading strategies for the 143 student that have been successful in improving reading among 144 low-performing readers. 145

(B)(1) Beginning in the 2012-2013 school year, to assist 146 students in meeting the third grade guarantee established by this 147 section, each school district board of education shall adopt 148 policies and procedures with which it annually shall assess the 149 reading skills of each student, except those students with 150 significant cognitive disabilities or other disabilities as 151 authorized by the department on a case-by-case basis, enrolled in 152 kindergarten to third grade by the thirtieth day of September and 153 shall identify students who are reading below their grade level. 154 Each district shall use the diagnostic assessment to measure 155 reading ability for the appropriate grade level adopted under 156 section 3301.079 of the Revised Code, or a comparable tool 157 approved by the department of education, to identify such 158 students. The policies and procedures shall require the students' 159 classroom teachers to be involved in the assessment and the 160 identification of students reading below grade level. 161

(2) For each student identified by the diagnostic assessment 162 prescribed under this section as having reading skills below grade 163 level, the district shall do both of the following: 164

(a) Provide to the student's parent or guardian, in writing, 165 all of the following: 166

(i) Notification that the student has been identified as	167
having a substantial deficiency in reading;	168
(ii) A description of the current services that are provided	169
to the student;	170
(iii) A description of the proposed supplemental	171
instructional services and supports that will be provided to the	172
student that are designed to remediate the identified areas of	173
reading deficiency;	174
(iv) Notification that if the student attains a score in the	175
range designated under division (A)(3) of section 3301.0710 of the	176
Revised Code on the assessment prescribed under that section to	177
measure skill in English language arts expected at the end of	178
third grade, the student shall be retained unless the student is	179
exempt under division (A) of this section. The notification shall	180
specify that the assessment under section 3301.0710 of the Revised	181
Code is not the sole determinant of promotion and that additional	182
evaluations and assessments are available to the student to assist	183
parents and the district in knowing when a student is reading at	184
or above grade level and ready for promotion.	185
(b) Provide intensive reading instruction services and	186
regular diagnostic assessments to the student immediately	187
following identification of a reading deficiency until the	188
development of the reading improvement and monitoring plan	189

required by division (C) of this section. These intervention 190 services shall include research-based reading strategies that have 191 been shown to be successful in improving reading among 192 low-performing readers and instruction targeted at the student's 193 identified reading deficiencies. 194

(3) For each student retained under division (A) of this195section, the district shall do all of the following:196

(a) Provide intense remediation services until the student is 197

able to read at grade level. The remediation services shall 198 include intensive interventions in reading that address the areas 199 of deficiencies identified under this section including, but not 200 limited to, not less than ninety minutes of reading instruction 201 per day, and may include any of the following: 202 203 (i) Small group instruction; (ii) Reduced teacher-student ratios; 204 (iii) More frequent progress monitoring; 205 (iv) Tutoring or mentoring; 206 (v) Transition classes containing third and fourth grade 207 students; 208 209 (vi) Extended school day, week, or year; (vii) Summer reading camps. 210 (b) Establish a policy for the mid-year promotion of a 211 student retained under division (A) of this section who 212 demonstrates that the student is reading at or above grade level; 213 (c) Provide each student with a teacher who satisfies one or 214 more of the applicable criteria set forth in division (H) of this 215 section. 216 The district shall offer the option for students to receive 217 applicable services from one or more providers other than the 218 district. Providers shall be screened and approved by the district 219 or the department of education. If the student participates in the 220 remediation services and demonstrates reading proficiency in 221

accordance with standards adopted by the department prior to the 222 start of fourth grade, the district shall promote the student to 223 that grade. 224

(4) For each student retained under division (A) of this
section who has demonstrated proficiency in a specific academic
ability field, each district shall provide instruction
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commensurate with student achievement levels in that specific 228 academic ability field. 229

As used in this division, "specific academic ability field" 230 has the same meaning as in section 3324.01 of the Revised Code. 231

(C) For each student required to be provided intervention 232 services under this section, the district shall develop a reading 233 improvement and monitoring plan within sixty days after receiving 234 the student's results on the diagnostic assessment or comparable 235 tool administered under division (B)(1) of this section. The 236 district shall involve the student's parent or guardian and 237 classroom teacher in developing the plan. The plan shall include 238 all of the following: 239

(1) Identification of the student's specific reading240deficiencies;241

(2) A description of the additional instructional services
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 and support that will be provided to the student to remediate the
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 identified reading deficiencies;
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(3) Opportunities for the student's parent or guardian to be
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involved in the instructional services and support described in
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division (C)(2) of this section;
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(4) A process for monitoring the extent to which the student
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receives the instructional services and support described in
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division (C)(2) of this section;
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(5) A reading curriculum during regular school hours thatdoes all of the following:252
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(a) Assists students to read at grade level; 253

(b) Provides scientifically based and reliable assessment; 254

(c) Provides initial and ongoing analysis of each student's 255reading progress. 256

(6) A statement that if the student <del>attains a score in the</del> 257

range does not attain at least the equivalent level of achievement	258
designated under division (A)(3) of section 3301.0710 of the	259
Revised Code on the assessment prescribed under that section to	260
measure skill in English language arts expected by the end of	261
third grade, the student may be retained in third grade.	262
Each student with a reading improvement and monitoring plan	263
under this division who enters third grade after July 1, 2013,	264
shall be assigned to a teacher who satisfies one or more of the	265
applicable criteria set forth in division (H) of this section.	266
The district shall report any information requested by the	267
department about the reading improvement monitoring plans	268
developed under this division in the manner required by the	269
department.	270
(D) Each school district shall report annually to the	271
department on its implementation and compliance with this section	272
using guidelines prescribed by the superintendent of public	273
instruction. The superintendent of public instruction annually	274
shall report to the governor and general assembly the number and	275
percentage of students in grades kindergarten through four reading	
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below grade level based on the diagnostic assessments administered	276 277
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below grade level based on the diagnostic assessments administered under division (B) of this section and the achievement assessments	277 278
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below grade level based on the diagnostic assessments administered under division (B) of this section and the achievement assessments administered under divisions (A)(1)(a) and (b) of section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code in English language arts, aggregated	277 278 279 280
below grade level based on the diagnostic assessments administered under division (B) of this section and the achievement assessments administered under divisions (A)(1)(a) and (b) of section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code in English language arts, aggregated by school district and building; the types of intervention	277 278 279 280 281
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(E) Any summer remediation services funded in whole or in 284
part by the state and offered by school districts to students 285
under this section shall meet the following conditions: 286

(1) The remediation methods are based on reliable educational 287research. 288

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(2) The school districts conduct assessment before and after 289 students participate in the program to facilitate monitoring 290 results of the remediation services. 291 (3) The parents of participating students are involved in 292 programming decisions. 293 (F) Any intervention or remediation services required by this 294 section shall include intensive, explicit, and systematic 295 instruction. 296 (G) This section does not create a new cause of action or a 297 298 substantive legal right for any person. (H)(1) Prior to July 1, 2014, each Except as provided under 299 divisions (H)(2), (3), and (4) of this section, each student 300 described in division (B)(3) or (C) of this section who enters 301 third grade for the first time on or after July 1, 2013, shall be 302 assigned a teacher who has been actively engaged in the reading 303 instruction of students for the previous three years at least one 304 year of teaching experience and who satisfies one or more of the 305 following criteria: 306 (a) The teacher holds a reading endorsement on the teacher's 307 license and has attained a passing score on the corresponding 308 assessment for that endorsement, as applicable. 309 (b) The teacher has completed a master's degree program with 310 a major in reading. 311 (c) The teacher has demonstrated evidence of a credential 312 earned from a list of scientifically research-based reading 313 instruction programs approved by the department was rated "most 314 effective" for reading instruction consecutively for the most 315 recent two years based on assessments of student growth measures 316 developed by a vendor and that is on the list of student 317 assessments approved by the state board under division (B)(2) of 318 section 3319.112 of the Revised Code. 319

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(d) The teacher was rated "above <u>expected</u> value added," <del>which</del>	320
means most effective in reading instruction, as determined by	321
<u>criteria established by</u> the department, for the <del>last</del> most recent,	322
<u>consecutive</u> two <del>school</del> years.	323
(2) Effective July 1, 2014, each student described in	324
divisions (B)(3) and (C) of this section shall be assigned a	325
teacher who has been actively engaged in the reading instruction	326
of students for the previous three years and who satisfies one or	327
more of the following criteria:	328
(a) The teacher holds a reading endorsement on the teacher's	329
license and has attained a passing score on the corresponding	330
assessment for that endorsement.	331
(b) The teacher has completed a master's degree program with	332
a major in reading.	333
(c) The teacher was rated above "above value added," which	334
means most effective for the last two school years.	335
(d)(e) The teacher has earned a passing score on a rigorous	336
test of principles of scientifically research-based reading	337
instruction. This test shall be selected through a competitive	338
bidding process and shall be as approved by the state board.	339
(3)(f) The teacher holds an educator license for teaching	340
grades pre-kindergarten through three or four through nine issued	341
<u>on or after July 1, 2017.</u>	342
(2) Notwithstanding division (H)(1) of this section, a	343
student described in division (B)(3) or (C) of this section who	344
enters third grade for the first time on or after July 1, 2013,	345
may be assigned to a teacher with less than one year of teaching	346
experience provided that the teacher meets one or more of the	347
criteria described in divisions (H)(1)(a) to (f) of this section	348
and that teacher is assigned a teacher mentor who meets the	349
qualifications of division (H)(1) of this section.	350

(3) Notwithstanding division (H)(1) of this section, a	351
student described in division (B)(3) or (C) of this section who	352
enters third grade for the first time on or after July 1, 2013,	353
but prior to July 1, 2016, may be assigned to a teacher who holds	354
an alternative credential approved by the department or who has	355
successfully completed training that is based on principles of	356
scientifically research-based reading instruction that has been	357
approved by the department. Beginning on July 1, 2014, the	358
alternative credentials and training described in division (H)(3)	359
of this section shall be aligned with the reading competencies	360
adopted by the state board of education under section 3301.077 of	361
the Revised Code.	362
(4) Notwithstanding division (H)(1) of this section, a	363
student described in division (B)(3) or (C) of this section who	364
enters third grade for the first time on or after July 1, 2013,	365
may receive reading intervention or remediation services under	366
this section from an individual employed as a speech-language	367
pathologist who holds a license issued by the board of	368
speech-language pathology and audiology under Chapter 4753. of the	369
Revised Code and a professional pupil services license as a school	370
speech-language pathologist issued by the state board of	371
education.	372
(5) A teacher, other than a student's teacher of record, may	373
provide any services required under this section, so long as that	374
other teacher meets the requirements of division (H) of this	375
section and the teacher of record and the school principal agree	376
to the assignment. Any such assignment shall be documented in the	377
student's reading improvement and monitoring plan.	378
As used in this division, "teacher of record" means the	379
classroom teacher to whom a student is assigned.	380
(I) Notwithstanding division (H) of this section, a teacher	381
may teach reading to any student who is an English language	382

learner, and has been in the United States for three years or	383
less, or to a student who has an individualized education program	384
developed under Chapter 3323. of the Revised Code if that teacher	385
holds an alternative credential approved by the department or has	386
successfully completed training that is based on principles of	387
scientifically research-based reading instruction that has been	388
approved by the department. Beginning on July 1, 2014, the	389
alternative credentials and training described in this division	390
shall be aligned with the reading competencies adopted by the	391
state board of education under section 3301.077 of the Revised	392
Code.	393
(J) If, on or after the effective date of this amendment, a	394
school district or community school cannot furnish the number of	395
teachers needed who satisfy one or more of the criteria set forth	396
in division (H) <del>(1)</del> of this section <u>for the 2013-2014 school year</u> ,	397
the school district or community school shall develop and submit a	398
staffing plan by June 30, 2013 <del>, in a manner determined by the</del>	399
department indicating the criteria that will be used to determine	400
those teachers in the school district or community school who will	401
teach and how the school district or community school will meet	402
the requirements set forth in division (H)(2) of this section.	403
A school district or community school may include in this	404
plan the option to contract with another school district or	405
private provider that has been screened and approved by the	406
department to provide intervention services. If the school	407
district or community school's plan is not approved by the	408
department by August 15, 2013, the school district or community	409
school shall use a private contractor from a list approved by the	410
department or contract with another district to provide	411
intervention services for these students. The staffing plan shall	412
include criteria that will be used to assign a student described	413
in division (B)(3) or (C) of this section to a teacher,	414

credentials or training held by teachers currently teaching at the	415
school, and how the school district or community school will meet	416
the requirements of this section. The school district or community	417
school shall post the staffing plan on its web site for the	418
applicable school year.	419
Not later than March 1, 2014, and on the first day of March	420
in each year thereafter, a school district or community school	421
that has submitted a plan under this division shall submit to the	422
department a detailed report of the progress the district or	423
school has made in meeting the requirements under this section.	424
A school district or community school may request an	425
extension of a staffing plan beyond the 2013-2014 school year.	426
Extension requests must be submitted to the department not later	427
than the thirtieth day of April prior to the start of the	428
applicable school year. The department may grant extensions valid	429
through the 2015-2016 school year.	430
Until June 30, 2015, the department annually shall review all	431
staffing plans and report to the state board not later than the	432
thirtieth day of June of each year the progress of school	433
districts and community schools in meeting the requirements of	434
this section.	435
(K) The department of education shall designate one or more	436
staff members to provide guidance and assistance to school	437
districts and community schools in implementing the third grade	438
guarantee established by this section, including any standards or	439
requirements adopted to implement the guarantee and to provide	440
information and support for reading instruction and achievement.	441

Sec. 3318.62. Any agreement between the Ohio school442facilities commission and the board of trustees of a443college-preparatory boarding school to provide facilities444assistance under section 3318.60 or 3318.61 of the Revised Code445

shall include the following stipulations:

(A) If the school ceases its operations, the school's board	447
of trustees may permit the classroom facilities to be used for	448
only an alternative public purpose, including, but not limited to,	449
primary, secondary, vocational, or higher education services.	450
(B) If the school ceases its operations due to either the	451
failure of the school's operator to comply with any of the	452
requirements of the contract prescribed under section 3328.12 of	453
the Revised Code or the default by the school's board of trustees	454
on an underlying leasehold or mortgage agreement, the school's	455
board of trustees shall return to the commission the unamortized	456
portion of the state funds provided to the board of trustees under	457
this chapter, based on a straight-line depreciation over the first	458
eighteen years of occupancy. However, if, within twenty-four	459
months after the school's cessation from operation, the classroom	460
facilities of a college-preparatory boarding school are used for	461
an alternative public purpose as prescribed by division (A) of	462
this section, no return of funds by the board of trustees under	463
this division shall be required.	464

Sec. 3319.233. (A) Beginning July 1, 2017, all new educator465licenses issued for grades pre-kindergarten through three or four466through nine shall require the applicant to attain a passing score467on a rigorous examination of principles of scientifically468research-based reading instruction that is aligned with the469reading competencies adopted by the state board of education under470section 3301.077 of the Revised Code.471

(B) The state board shall adopt rules in accordance with472Chapter 119. of the Revised Code prescribing criteria and473procedures necessary to implement the requirements of this474section.475

sec. 3328.02. (A) Each college-preparatory boarding school 476
established under this chapter is a public school and is part of 477
the state's program of education. 478

(B) Acting through its board of trustees, the school may sue 479 and be sued, acquire facilities as needed, contract for any 480 services necessary for the operation of the school, and enter into 481 contracts with the department of education pursuant to this 482 chapter. The board of trustees may carry out any act and ensure 483 the performance of any function that is in compliance with the 484 Ohio Constitution, this chapter, other statutes applicable to 485 college-preparatory boarding schools, and the contract entered 486 into under this chapter establishing the school. 487

(C) Each college-preparatory boarding school shall be488established as a public benefit corporation under Chapter 1702. of489the Revised Code.490

**Sec. 3328.15.** (A) Each college-preparatory boarding school 491 established under this chapter shall be governed by a board of 492 trustees consisting of up to twenty-five members. Five of those 493 members shall be appointed by the governor, with the advice and 494 consent of the senate. The governor's appointments may be based on 495 nonbinding recommendations made by the superintendent of public 496 instruction. Of the remaining members, initial members shall be 497 appointed by the school's operator and future members shall be 498 appointed pursuant to the bylaws adopted under section 3328.13 of 499 the Revised Code. The governor, operator, or any other person or 500 entity who appoints a member of the board of trustees under this 501 section or the bylaws adopted under section 3328.13 of the Revised 502 Code may remove that member from the board at any time. 503

(B) The terms of office of the initial members shall be asfollows:505

(1) Two members appointed by the governor shall serve for an	506
initial term of three years.	507
(2) Two members appointed by the governor shall serve for an	508
initial term of two years.	509
(3) One member appointed by the governor shall serve for an	510
initial term of one year.	511
(4) One-third of the members appointed by the operator,	512
rounded down to the nearest whole number, shall serve for an	513
initial term of three years.	514
(5) One-third of the members appointed by the operator,	515
rounded down to the nearest whole number, shall serve for an	516
initial term of two years.	517
(6) One-third of the members appointed by the operator,	518
rounded down to the nearest whole number, shall serve for an	519
initial term of one year.	520
(7) Any remaining members appointed by the operator shall	521
serve for an initial term of one year.	522
Thereafter the terms of office of all members shall be for	523
three years.	524
The beginning date and ending date of terms of office shall	525
be as prescribed by the school's operator, unless modified in the	526
bylaws adopted under section 3328.13 of the Revised Code.	527
(C) Vacancies on the board shall be filled in the same manner	528
as the initial appointments. A member appointed to an unexpired	529
term shall serve for the remainder of that term and may be	530
reappointed subject to division (D) of this section.	531
(D) No member may serve for more than three consecutive	532
three-year terms.	533
(E) The officers of the board shall be selected by and from	534
among the members of the board.	535

(F) Compensation for the members of the board, if any, shall
 be as prescribed in the bylaws adopted under section 3328.13 of
 the Revised Code.
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(G) It shall be construed that any contract entered into by 539 the board of trustees or any officer or trustee of a 540 college-preparatory boarding school, including, but not limited 541 to, an agreement or contract required by section 3318.08, 3318.60, 542 or 3318.61 of the Revised Code, is entered into by such 543 individuals in their official capacities as representatives of the 544 college-preparatory boarding school. No officer, trustee, or 545 member of the board of trustees of a college-preparatory boarding 546 school incurs any personal liability by virtue of section 3318.08, 547 3318.60, or 3318.61 of the Revised Code or the entering into any 548 contract on behalf of the school. 549

Sec. 3333.049. Not later than July 1, 2016, the chancellor of550the Ohio board of regents shall revise the requirements for551reading endorsement programs offered by institutions of higher552education to align those requirements with the reading553competencies adopted by the state board of education under section5543301.077 of the Revised Code.555

Section 2. That existing sections 3313.608, 3328.02, and5563328.15 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed.557

section 3. The Department of Education shall conduct a study 558 of diagnostic assessments for reading and writing for grades 559 kindergarten through three that may be considered for approval by 560 the State Board of Education under section 3301.079 of the Revised 561 Code. The study shall include an examination of various diagnostic 562 assessments to determine which are reliable and valid in 563 indicating a student's ability and progress toward reading at 564 grade level. The study shall also include methods to establish 565 correlations between assessment results in order to determine 566 equivalent performance levels across different assessments. 567

Not later than March 31, 2014, the Department shall submit a 568 report of the study to the State Board of Education, the Governor, 569 and the General Assembly, in accordance with section 101.68 of the 570 Revised Code, with specific recommendations on diagnostic 571 assessments, including recommended legislative changes regarding 572 the approval and use of such assessments. 573

Section 4. This act is hereby declared to be an emergency 574 measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public 575 peace, health, and safety. The reason for such necessity is to 576 facilitate timely implementation of the act's revisions regarding 577 reading intervention and to coordinate those revisions with other 578 recently enacted amendments regarding reading intervention. 579 Therefore, this act shall go into immediate effect. 580