H. B. No. 126 As Re-referred to the Senate Ways and Means Committee

moved to amend as follows:
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In line 1 of the title, delete "section" and insert "sections	1
4503.06,"; after "5715.19" insert ", and 5717.01"	2
In line 2 of the title, delete "require" and insert "modify and	3
limit the manner by which"; delete "that" and insert "may"	4
In line 3 of the title, delete "to formally pass an authorizing"	5
Delete line 4 of the title	6
In line 5 of the title, delete "property owners"	7
In line 6, delete "section" and insert "sections 4503.06,"; after	8
"5715.19" insert ", and 5717.01"	9
After line 7, insert:	10
"Sec. 4503.06. (A) The owner of each manufactured or	11
mobile home that has acquired situs in this state shall pay	12
either a real property tax pursuant to Title LVII of the Revised	13
Code or a manufactured home tax pursuant to division (C) of this	14
section.	15

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real property taxes if either of the following applies:	17
(1) The manufactured or mobile home acquired situs in the	18
state or ownership in the home was transferred on or after	19
January 1, 2000, and all of the following apply:	20
(a) The home is affixed to a permanent foundation as	21
defined in division (C) (5) of section 3781.06 of the Revised	22
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(b) The home is located on land that is owned by the owner	24
of the home.	25
(c) The certificate of title has been inactivated by the	26
clerk of the court of common pleas that issued it, pursuant to	27
division (H) of section 4505.11 of the Revised Code.	28
(2) The manufactured or mobile home acquired situs in the	29
state or ownership in the home was transferred before January 1,	30
2000, and all of the following apply:	31
(a) The home is affixed to a permanent foundation as	32
defined in division (C)(5) of section 3781.06 of the Revised	33
Code.	34
(b) The home is located on land that is owned by the owner	35
of the home.	36
(c) The owner of the home has elected to have the home	37
taxed as real property and, pursuant to section 4505.11 of the	38
Revised Code, has surrendered the certificate of title to the	39
auditor of the county containing the taxing district in which	40
the home has its situs, together with proof that all taxes have	41
been paid.	42
(d) The county auditor has placed the home on the real	43

(B) The owner of a manufactured or mobile home shall pay

property tax list and delivered the certificate of title to the clerk of the court of common pleas that issued it and the clerk has inactivated the certificate.

- (C) (1) Any mobile or manufactured home that is not taxed as real property as provided in division (B) of this section is subject to an annual manufactured home tax, payable by the owner, for locating the home in this state. The tax as levied in this section is for the purpose of supplementing the general revenue funds of the local subdivisions in which the home has its situs pursuant to this section.
- (2) The year for which the manufactured home tax is levied commences on the first day of January and ends on the following thirty-first day of December. The state shall have the first lien on any manufactured or mobile home on the list for the amount of taxes, penalties, and interest charged against the owner of the home under this section. The lien of the state for the tax for a year shall attach on the first day of January to a home that has acquired situs on that date. The lien for a home that has not acquired situs on the first day of January, but that acquires situs during the year, shall attach on the next first day of January. The lien shall continue until the tax, including any penalty or interest, is paid.
- (3) (a) The situs of a manufactured or mobile home located in this state on the first day of January is the local taxing district in which the home is located on that date.
- (b) The situs of a manufactured or mobile home not located in this state on the first day of January, but located in this state subsequent to that date, is the local taxing district in which the home is located thirty days after it is acquired or first enters this state.

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treasurer	of	the	county	contai	ning	the	taxing	dist	rict	in	which	
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- (D) The manufactured home tax shall be computed and assessed by the county auditor of the county containing the taxing district in which the home has its situs as follows:
- (1) On a home that acquired situs in this state prior to January 1, 2000:
- (a) By multiplying the assessable value of the home by the tax rate of the taxing district in which the home has its situs, and deducting from the product thus obtained any reduction authorized under section 4503.065 of the Revised Code. The tax levied under this formula shall not be less than thirty-six dollars, unless the home qualifies for a reduction in assessable value under section 4503.065 of the Revised Code, in which case there shall be no minimum tax and the tax shall be the amount calculated under this division.
- (b) The assessable value of the home shall be forty per cent of the amount arrived at by the following computation:
- (i) If the cost to the owner, or market value at time of purchase, whichever is greater, of the home includes the furnishings and equipment, such cost or market value shall be multiplied according to the following schedule:

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home is owned by the current owner

В	2nd calendar year	Х	75%	
С	3rd "	Х	70%	
D	4th "	Х	65%	
E	5th "	Х	60%	
F	6th "	Х	55%	
G	7th "	X	50%	
Н	8th "	Х	45%	
I	9th "	Х	40%	
J	10th and each year thereafter	Х	35%	
	The first calendar year means any period betw	een	the first	98
day of	January and the thirty-first day of December	of	the first	99
year.				100
	(ii) If the cost to the owner, or market valu	e a	t the time	101
of pur	chase, whichever is greater, of the home does	nc	ot include	102
the fu	rnishings and equipment, such cost or market	val	ue shall	103

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A For the first calendar year in which the x 95%

be multiplied according to the following schedule:

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В	2nd calendar year	Х	90%
С	3rd "	Х	85%
D	4th "	Х	80%
E	5th "	Х	75%
F	6th "	Х	70%
G	7th "	Х	65%
Н	8th "	Х	60%
I	9th "	Х	55%
J	10th and each year thereafter	Х	50%
	The first calendar year means any period betw	reen t	he first

The first calendar year means any period between the first day of January and the thirty-first day of December of the first year.

- (2) On a home in which ownership was transferred or that first acquired situs in this state on or after January 1, 2000:
- (a) By multiplying the assessable value of the home by the effective tax rate, as defined in section 323.08 of the Revised Code, for residential real property of the taxing district in which the home has its situs, and deducting from the product thus obtained the reductions required or authorized under section 319.302, division (B) of section 323.152, or section 4503.065 of the Revised Code.
 - (b) The assessable value of the home shall be thirty-five

per cent of its true value as determined under division (L) of this section.

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(3) On or before the fifteenth day of January each year, 121 the county auditor shall record the assessable value and the 122 amount of tax on the manufactured or mobile home on the tax list 123 and deliver a duplicate of the list to the county treasurer. In 124 the case of an emergency as defined in section 323.17 of the 125 Revised Code, the tax commissioner, by journal entry, may extend 126 the times for delivery of the duplicate for an additional 127 fifteen days upon receiving a written application from the 128 county auditor regarding an extension for the delivery of the 129 duplicate, or from the county treasurer regarding an extension 130 131 of the time for the billing and collection of taxes. The application shall contain a statement describing the emergency 132 that will cause the unavoidable delay and must be received by 133 the tax commissioner on or before the last day of the month 134 preceding the day delivery of the duplicate is otherwise 135 required. When an extension is granted for delivery of the 136 duplicate, the time period for payment of taxes shall be 137 extended for a like period of time. When a delay in the closing 138 of a tax collection period becomes unavoidable, the tax 139 commissioner, upon application by the county auditor and county 140 treasurer, may order the time for payment of taxes to be 141 extended if the tax commissioner determines that penalties have 142 accrued or would otherwise accrue for reasons beyond the control 143 of the taxpayers of the county. The order shall prescribe the 144 final extended date for payment of taxes for that collection 145 period. 146

(4) After January 1, 1999, the owner of a manufactured or mobile home taxed pursuant to division (D)(1) of this section may elect to have the home taxed pursuant to division (D)(2) of

this section by filing a written request with the county auditor of the taxing district in which the home is located on or before the first day of December of any year. Upon the filing of the request, the county auditor shall determine whether all taxes levied under division (D)(1) of this section have been paid, and if those taxes have been paid, the county auditor shall tax the manufactured or mobile home pursuant to division (D)(2) of this section commencing in the next tax year.

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- (5) A manufactured or mobile home that acquired situs in

 this state prior to January 1, 2000, shall be taxed pursuant to

 division (D)(2) of this section if no manufactured home tax had

 been paid for the home and the home was not exempted from

 taxation pursuant to division (E) of this section for the year

 for which the taxes were not paid.
- (6) (a) Immediately upon receipt of any manufactured home tax duplicate from the county auditor, but not less than twenty days prior to the last date on which the first one-half taxes may be paid without penalty as prescribed in division (F) of this section, the county treasurer shall cause to be prepared and mailed or delivered to each person charged on that duplicate with taxes, or to an agent designated by such person, the tax bill prescribed by the tax commissioner under division (D)(7) of this section. When taxes are paid by installments, the county treasurer shall mail or deliver to each person charged on such duplicate or the agent designated by that person a second tax bill showing the amount due at the time of the second tax collection. The second half tax bill shall be mailed or delivered at least twenty days prior to the close of the second half tax collection period. A change in the mailing address of any tax bill shall be made in writing to the county treasurer. Failure to receive a bill required by this section does not

excuse failure or delay to pay any taxes shown on the bill or, except as provided in division (B)(1) of section 5715.39 of the Revised Code, avoid any penalty, interest, or charge for such delay.

(b) After delivery of the copy of the delinquent 185 manufactured home tax list under division (H) of this section, 186 the county treasurer may prepare and mail to each person in 187 whose name a home is listed an additional tax bill showing the 188 total amount of delinquent taxes charged against the home as 189 shown on the list. The tax bill shall include a notice that the 190 interest charge prescribed by division (G) of this section has 191 begun to accrue. 192

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- (7) Each tax bill prepared and mailed or delivered under division (D)(6) of this section shall be in the form and contain the information required by the tax commissioner. The commissioner may prescribe different forms for each county and may authorize the county auditor to make up tax bills and tax receipts to be used by the county treasurer. The tax bill shall not contain or be mailed or delivered with any information or material that is not required by this section or that is not authorized by section 321.45 of the Revised Code or by the tax commissioner. In addition to the information required by the commissioner, each tax bill shall contain the following information:
- (a) The taxes levied and the taxes charged and payable against the manufactured or mobile home;
- (b) The following notice: "Notice: If the taxes are not 207 paid within sixty days after the county auditor delivers the 208 delinquent manufactured home tax list to the county treasurer, you and your home may be subject to collection proceedings for 210

tax delinquency." Failure to provide such notice has no effect	211
upon the validity of any tax judgment to which a home may be	212
subjected.	213
(c) In the case of manufactured or mobile homes taxed	214
under division (D)(2) of this section, the following additional	215
information:	216
(i) The effective tax rate. The words "effective tax rate"	217
shall appear in boldface type.	218
(ii) The following notice: "Notice: If the taxes charged	219
against this home have been reduced by the $2-1/2$ per cent tax	220
reduction for residences occupied by the owner but the home is	221
not a residence occupied by the owner, the owner must notify the	222
county auditor's office not later than March 31 of the year for	223
which the taxes are due. Failure to do so may result in the	224
owner being convicted of a fourth degree misdemeanor, which is	225
punishable by imprisonment up to 30 days, a fine up to \$250, or	226
both, and in the owner having to repay the amount by which the	227
taxes were erroneously or illegally reduced, plus any interest	228
that may apply.	229
If the taxes charged against this home have not been	230
reduced by the $2-1/2$ per cent tax reduction and the home is a	231
residence occupied by the owner, the home may qualify for the	232
tax reduction. To obtain an application for the tax reduction or	233
further information, the owner may contact the county auditor's	234
office at (insert the address and telephone number of	235
the county auditor's office)."	236
(E)(1) A manufactured or mobile home is not subject to	237
this section when any of the following applies:	238
(a) It is taxable as personal property pursuant to section	239

5709.01 of the Revised Code. Any manufactured or mobile home	240
that is used as a residence shall be subject to this section and	241
shall not be taxable as personal property pursuant to section	242
5709.01 of the Revised Code.	243
(b) It bears a license plate issued by any state other	244
than this state unless the home is in this state in excess of an	245
accumulative period of thirty days in any calendar year.	246
(c) The annual tax has been paid on the home in this state	247
for the current year.	248
(d) The tax commissioner has determined, pursuant to	249
section 5715.27 of the Revised Code, that the property is exempt	250
from taxation, or would be exempt from taxation under Chapter	251
5709. of the Revised Code if it were classified as real	252
property.	253
(2) A travel trailer or park trailer, as these terms are	254
defined in section 4501.01 of the Revised Code, is not subject	255
to this section if it is unused or unoccupied and stored at the	256
owner's normal place of residence or at a recognized storage	257
facility.	258
(3) A travel trailer or park trailer, as these terms are	259

- defined in section 4501.01 of the Revised Code, is subject to this section and shall be taxed as a manufactured or mobile home if it has a situs longer than thirty days in one location and is connected to existing utilities, unless either of the following applies:
- (a) The situs is in a state facility or a camping or park 265 area as defined in division (C), (Q), (S), or (V) of section 266 3729.01 of the Revised Code. 267

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(b) The situs is in a camping or park area that is a tract 268 of land that has been limited to recreational use by deed or 269 zoning restrictions and subdivided for sale of five or more 270 individual lots for the express or implied purpose of occupancy 271 by either self-contained recreational vehicles as defined in 272 division (T) of section 3729.01 of the Revised Code or by 273 dependent recreational vehicles as defined in division (D) of 274 section 3729.01 of the Revised Code. 275

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- (F) Except as provided in division (D)(3) of this section, the manufactured home tax is due and payable as follows:
- (1) When a manufactured or mobile home has a situs in this state, as provided in this section, on the first day of January, one-half of the amount of the tax is due and payable on or before the first day of March and the balance is due and payable on or before the thirty-first day of July. At the option of the owner of the home, the tax for the entire year may be paid in full on the first day of March.
- (2) When a manufactured or mobile home first acquires a 285 situs in this state after the first day of January, no tax is 286 due and payable for that year. 287
- (G)(1)(a) Except as otherwise provided in division (G)(1) 288 (b) of this section, if one-half of the current taxes charged 289 under this section against a manufactured or mobile home, 290 together with the full amount of any delinquent taxes, are not 291 paid on or before the first day of March in that year, or on or 292 before the last day for such payment as extended pursuant to 293 section 4503.063 of the Revised Code, a penalty of ten per cent 294 shall be charged against the unpaid balance of such half of the 295 current taxes. If the total amount of all such taxes is not paid on or before the thirty-first day of July, next thereafter, or 297

on or before the last day for payment as extended pursuant to section 4503.063 of the Revised Code, a like penalty shall be charged on the balance of the total amount of the unpaid current taxes.

(b) After a valid delinquent tax contract that includes unpaid current taxes from a first-half collection period described in division (F) of this section has been entered into under section 323.31 of the Revised Code, no ten per cent penalty shall be charged against such taxes after the second-half collection period while the delinquent tax contract remains in effect. On the day a delinquent tax contract becomes void, the ten per cent penalty shall be charged against such taxes and shall equal the amount of penalty that would have been charged against unpaid current taxes outstanding on the date on which the second-half penalty would have been charged thereon under division (G)(1)(a) of this section if the contract had not been

(2) (a) On the first day of the month following the last day the second installment of taxes may be paid without penalty beginning in 2000, interest shall be charged against and computed on all delinquent taxes other than the current taxes that became delinquent taxes at the close of the last day such second installment could be paid without penalty. The charge shall be for interest that accrued during the period that began on the preceding first day of December and ended on the last day of the month that included the last date such second installment could be paid without penalty. The interest shall be computed at the rate per annum prescribed by section 5703.47 of the Revised Code and shall be entered as a separate item on the delinquent manufactured home tax list compiled under division (H) of this section.

in effect.

(b) On the first day of December beginning in 2000, the interest shall be charged against and computed on all delinquent taxes. The charge shall be for interest that accrued during the period that began on the first day of the month following the last date prescribed for the payment of the second installment of taxes in the current year and ended on the immediately preceding last day of November. The interest shall be computed at the rate per annum prescribed by section 5703.47 of the Revised Code and shall be entered as a separate item on the delinquent manufactured home tax list.

- (c) After a valid undertaking has been entered into for the payment of any delinquent taxes, no interest shall be charged against such delinquent taxes while the undertaking remains in effect in compliance with section 323.31 of the Revised Code. If a valid undertaking becomes void, interest shall be charged against the delinquent taxes for the periods that interest was not permitted to be charged while the undertaking was in effect. The interest shall be charged on the day the undertaking becomes void and shall equal the amount of interest that would have been charged against the unpaid delinquent taxes outstanding on the dates on which interest would have been charged thereon under divisions (G)(1) and (2) of this section had the undertaking not been in effect.
- (3) If the full amount of the taxes due at either of the times prescribed by division (F) of this section is paid within ten days after such time, the county treasurer shall waive the collection of and the county auditor shall remit one-half of the penalty provided for in this division for failure to make that payment by the prescribed time.
 - (4) The treasurer shall compile and deliver to the county 358

auditor a list of all tax payments the treasurer has received as provided in division (G)(3) of this section. The list shall include any information required by the auditor for the remission of the penalties waived by the treasurer. The taxes so collected shall be included in the settlement next succeeding the settlement then in process.

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- (H) (1) The county auditor shall compile annually a "delinquent manufactured home tax list" consisting of homes the county treasurer's records indicate have taxes that were not paid within the time prescribed by divisions (D) (3) and (F) of this section, have taxes that remain unpaid from prior years, or have unpaid tax penalties or interest that have been assessed.
- (2) Within thirty days after the settlement under division (H)(2) of section 321.24 of the Revised Code, the county auditor shall deliver a copy of the delinquent manufactured home tax list to the county treasurer. The auditor shall update and publish the delinquent manufactured home tax list annually in the same manner as delinquent real property tax lists are published. The county auditor may apportion the cost of publishing the list among taxing districts in proportion to the amount of delinquent manufactured home taxes so published that each taxing district is entitled to receive upon collection of those taxes, or the county auditor may charge the owner of a home on the list a flat fee established under section 319.54 of the Revised Code for the cost of publishing the list and, if the fee is not paid, may place the fee upon the delinquent manufactured home tax list as a lien on the listed home, to be collected as other manufactured home taxes.
- (3) When taxes, penalties, or interest are charged against 387 a person on the delinquent manufactured home tax list and are 388

not paid within sixty days after the list is delivered to the county treasurer, the county treasurer shall, in addition to any other remedy provided by law for the collection of taxes, penalties, and interest, enforce collection of such taxes, penalties, and interest by civil action in the name of the treasurer against the owner for the recovery of the unpaid taxes following the procedures for the recovery of delinquent real property taxes in sections 323.25 to 323.28 of the Revised Code. The action may be brought in municipal or county court, provided the amount charged does not exceed the monetary limitations for original jurisdiction for civil actions in those courts.

It is sufficient, having made proper parties to the suit, for the county treasurer to allege in the treasurer's bill of particulars or petition that the taxes stand chargeable on the books of the county treasurer against such person, that they are due and unpaid, and that such person is indebted in the amount of taxes appearing to be due the county. The treasurer need not set forth any other matter relating thereto. If it is found on the trial of the action that the person is indebted to the state, judgment shall be rendered in favor of the county treasurer prosecuting the action. The judgment debtor is not entitled to the benefit of any law for stay of execution or exemption of property from levy or sale on execution in the enforcement of the judgment.

Upon the filing of an entry of confirmation of sale or an
order of forfeiture in a proceeding brought under this division,
title to the manufactured or mobile home shall be in the
purchaser. The clerk of courts shall issue a certificate of
title to the purchaser upon presentation of proof of filing of
the entry of confirmation or order and, in the case of a
forfeiture, presentation of the county auditor's certificate of
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(I) The total amount of taxes collected shall be	421
distributed in the following manner: four per cent shall be	422
allowed as compensation to the county auditor for the county	423
auditor's service in assessing the taxes; two per cent shall be	424
allowed as compensation to the county treasurer for the services	425
the county treasurer renders as a result of the tax levied by	426
this section. Such amounts shall be paid into the county	427
treasury, to the credit of the county general revenue fund, on	428
the warrant of the county auditor. Fees to be paid to the credit	429
of the real estate assessment fund shall be collected pursuant	430
to division (C) of section 319.54 of the Revised Code and paid	431
into the county treasury, on the warrant of the county auditor.	432
The balance of the taxes collected shall be distributed among	433
the taxing subdivisions of the county in which the taxes are	434
collected and paid in the same ratio as those taxes were	435
collected for the benefit of the taxing subdivision. The taxes	436
levied and revenues collected under this section shall be in	437
lieu of any general property tax and any tax levied with respect	438
to the privilege of using or occupying a manufactured or mobile	439
home in this state except as provided in sections 4503.04 and	440
5741.02 of the Revised Code.	441

(J) An agreement to purchase or a bill of sale for a manufactured home shall show whether or not the furnishings and equipment are included in the purchase price.

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(K) If the county treasurer and the county prosecuting 445 attorney agree that an item charged on the delinquent 446 manufactured home tax list is uncollectible, they shall certify 447 that determination and the reasons to the county board of 448 revision. If the board determines the amount is uncollectible, 449

it shall certify its determination to the county auditor, who shall strike the item from the list.

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- (L)(1) The county auditor shall appraise at its true value 452 any manufactured or mobile home in which ownership is 453 transferred or which first acquires situs in this state on or 454 after January 1, 2000, and any manufactured or mobile home the 455 owner of which has elected, under division (D)(4) of this 456 section, to have the home taxed under division (D)(2) of this 457 section. The true value shall include the value of the home, any 458 additions, and any fixtures, but not any furnishings in the 459 home. In determining the true value of a manufactured or mobile 460 home, the auditor shall consider all facts and circumstances 461 relating to the value of the home, including its age, its 462 capacity to function as a residence, any obsolete 463 characteristics, and other factors that may tend to prove its 464 true value. 465
- (2) (a) If a manufactured or mobile home has been the 466 subject of an arm's length sale between a willing seller and a 467 willing buyer within a reasonable length of time prior to the 468 determination of true value, the county auditor shall consider 469 the sale price of the home to be the true value for taxation 470 purposes.
- (b) The sale price in an arm's length transaction between a willing seller and a willing buyer shall not be considered the true value of the home if either of the following occurred after the sale:
 - (i) The home has lost value due to a casualty.
 - (ii) An addition or fixture has been added to the home.
 - (3) The county auditor shall have each home viewed and

appraised at least once in each six-year period in the same year 479 in which real property in the county is appraised pursuant to 480 Chapter 5713. of the Revised Code, and shall update the 481 appraised values in the third calendar year following the 482 appraisal. The person viewing or appraising a home may enter the 483 home to determine by actual view any additions or fixtures that 484 have been added since the last appraisal. In conducting the 485 appraisals and establishing the true value, the auditor shall 486 follow the procedures set forth for appraising real property in 487 sections 5713.01 and 5713.03 of the Revised Code. 488

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- (4) The county auditor shall place the true value of each home on the manufactured home tax list upon completion of an appraisal.
- (5) (a) If the county auditor changes the true value of a home, the auditor shall notify the owner of the home in writing, delivered by mail or in person. The notice shall be given at least thirty days prior to the issuance of any tax bill that reflects the change. Failure to receive the notice does not invalidate any proceeding under this section.
- (b) Any owner of a home or any other person or party 498 listed in-that would be authorized to file a complaint under 499 division (A)(1) of section 5715.19 of the Revised Code if the 500 home was real property may file a complaint against the true 501 value of the home as appraised under this section. The complaint 502 shall be filed with the county auditor on or before the thirty-503 first day of March of the current tax year or the date of 504 closing of the collection for the first half of manufactured 505 home taxes for the current tax year, whichever is later. The 506 auditor shall present to the county board of revision all 507 complaints filed with the auditor under this section. The board 508

shall hear and investigate the complaint and may take action on it as provided under sections 5715.11 to 5715.19 of the Revised Code.

(c) If the county board of revision determines, pursuant

to a complaint against the valuation of a manufactured or mobile

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due based on the valuation as finally determined, then the

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overpayment shall be refunded in the manner prescribed in

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section 5715.22 of the Revised Code.

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- (d) Payment of all or part of a tax under this section for any year for which a complaint is pending before the county board of revision does not abate the complaint or in any way affect the hearing and determination thereof.
- (M) If the county auditor determines that any tax or other 523 charge or any part thereof has been erroneously charged as a 524 result of a clerical error as defined in section 319.35 of the 525 Revised Code, the county auditor shall call the attention of the 526 county board of revision to the erroneous charges. If the board 527 finds that the taxes or other charges have been erroneously 528 charged or collected, it shall certify the finding to the 529 auditor. Upon receipt of the certification, the auditor shall 530 remove the erroneous charges on the manufactured home tax list 531 or delinquent manufactured home tax list in the same manner as 532 is prescribed in section 319.35 of the Revised Code for 533 erroneous charges against real property, and refund any 534 erroneous charges that have been collected, with interest, in 535 the same manner as is prescribed in section 319.36 of the 536 Revised Code for erroneous charges against real property. 537
 - (N) As used in this section and section 4503.061 of the

Revised Code:	539
(1) "Manufactured home taxes" includes taxes, penalties,	540
and interest charged under division (C) or (G) of this section	541
and any penalties charged under division (G) or (H)(5) of	542
section 4503.061 of the Revised Code.	543
(2) "Current taxes" means all manufactured home taxes	544
charged against a manufactured or mobile home that have not	545
appeared on the manufactured home tax list for any prior year.	546
Current taxes become delinquent taxes if they remain unpaid	547
after the last day prescribed for payment of the second	548
installment of current taxes without penalty, whether or not	549
they have been certified delinquent.	550
(3) "Delinquent taxes" means:	551
(a) Any manufactured home taxes that were charged against	552
a manufactured or mobile home for a prior year, including any	553
penalties or interest charged for a prior year and the costs of	554
publication under division (H)(2) of this section, and that	555
remain unpaid;	556
(b) Any current manufactured home taxes charged against a	557
manufactured or mobile home that remain unpaid after the last	558
day prescribed for payment of the second installment of current	559
taxes without penalty, whether or not they have been certified	560
delinquent, including any penalties or interest and the costs of	561
publication under division (H)(2) of this section."	562
Delete lines 8 through 318	563
After line 318, insert:	564
"Sec. 5715.19. (A) As used in this section, "member" has	565
the same meaning as in section 1705.01 or 1706.01 of the Revised	566

meaning as in section 9.312 of the Revised Code, and "interim	568
period" means, for each county, the tax year to which section	569
5715.24 of the Revised Code applies and each subsequent tax year	570
until the tax year in which that section applies again.	571
(1) Subject to division (A)(2) of this section, a	572
complaint against any of the following determinations for the	573
current tax year shall be filed with the county auditor on or	574
before the thirty-first day of March of the ensuing tax year or	575
the date of closing of the collection for the first half of real	576
and public utility property taxes for the current tax year,	577
whichever is later:	578
(a) Any classification made under section 5713.041 of the	579
Revised Code;	580
(b) Any determination made under section 5713.32 or	581
5713.35 of the Revised Code;	582
(c) Any recoupment charge levied under section 5713.35 of	583
the Revised Code;	584
(d) The determination of the total valuation or assessment	585
of any parcel that appears on the tax list, except parcels	586
assessed by the tax commissioner pursuant to section 5727.06 of	587
the Revised Code;	588
(e) The determination of the total valuation of any parcel	589
that appears on the agricultural land tax list, except parcels	590
assessed by the tax commissioner pursuant to section 5727.06 of	591
the Revised Code;	592
(f) Any determination made under division (A) of section	593
319.302 of the Revised Code.	594

Code as applicable, "internet identifier of record" has the same

If such a complaint is filed by mail or certified mail, the date of the United States postmark placed on the envelope or sender's receipt by the postal service shall be treated as the date of filing. A private meter postmark on an envelope is not a valid postmark for purposes of establishing the filing date.

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Any person owning taxable real property in the county or 600 in a taxing district with territory in the county; such a 601 person's spouse; a tenant of the property owner, if the property 602 is classified as to use for tax purposes as commercial or 603 industrial, the lease requires the tenant to pay the entire 604 amount of taxes charged against the property, and the lease 605 allows, or the property owner otherwise authorizes, the tenant 606 to file such a complaint with respect to the property; an 607 individual who is retained by such a person or tenant and who 608 holds a designation from a professional assessment organization, 609 such as the institute for professionals in taxation, the 610 national council of property taxation, or the international 611 association of assessing officers; a public accountant who holds 612 a permit under section 4701.10 of the Revised Code, a general or 613 residential real estate appraiser licensed or certified under 614 Chapter 4763. of the Revised Code, or a real estate broker 615 licensed under Chapter 4735. of the Revised Code, who is 616 retained by such a person or tenant; if the person or tenant is 617 a firm, company, association, partnership, limited liability 618 company, or corporation, an officer, a salaried employee, a 619 partner, or a member of that person or tenant; if the person or 620 tenant is a trust, a trustee of the trust; in the case of a 621 county, the board of county commissioners; the , prosecuting 622 attorney, or treasurer of the county; in the case of a township 623 with territory in the county, the board of township trustees of 624 any township with territory within the county; in the case of a 625

school district with territory in the county, the board of	626
education of any the school district with any territory in the	627
county; or, in the case of a municipal corporation with	628
territory in the county, the mayor or legislative authority of	629
any the municipal corporation with any territory in the county	630
may file such a complaint regarding any such determination	631
affecting any -real property in the county , except that a person	632
owning taxable real property in another county may file such a	633
complaint only with regard to any such determination affecting	634
real property in the county that is located in the same taxing	635
district as that person's real property is located owned or, if	636
applicable, leased by that person or political subdivision. The	637
county auditor shall present to the county board of revision all	638
complaints filed with the auditor.	639

- (2) No person, board, or officer shall file a complaint against the valuation or assessment of any parcel that appears on the tax list if it filed a complaint against the valuation or assessment of that parcel for any prior tax year in the same interim period, unless the person, board, or officer alleges that the valuation or assessment should be changed due to one or more of the following circumstances that occurred after the tax lien date for the tax year for which the prior complaint was filed and that the circumstances were not taken into consideration with respect to the prior complaint:
- (a) The property was sold in an arm's length transaction, as described in section 5713.03 of the Revised Code;
 - (b) The property lost value due to some casualty;
 - (c) Substantial improvement was added to the property;
 - (d) An increase or decrease of at least fifteen per cent

in the property's occupancy has had a substantial economic impact on the property.

(3) If a county board of revision, the board of tax appeals, or any court dismisses a complaint filed under this section or section 5715.13 of the Revised Code for the reason that the act of filing the complaint was the unauthorized practice of law or the person filing the complaint was engaged in the unauthorized practice of law, the party affected by a decrease in valuation or the party's agent, or the person owning taxable real property in the county or in a taxing district with territory in the county, a person authorized to file a complaint under division (A) of this section may refile the complaint, notwithstanding division (A)(2) of this section.

- (4) (a) No complaint filed under this section or section 5715.13 of the Revised Code shall be dismissed for the reason that the complaint fails to accurately identify the owner of the property that is the subject of the complaint.
- (b) If a complaint fails to accurately identify the owner of the property that is the subject of the complaint, the board of revision shall exercise due diligence to ensure the correct property owner is notified as required by divisions (B) and division (C) of this section.
- (5) Notwithstanding division (A)(2) of this section, a person, board, or officer may file a complaint against the valuation or assessment of any parcel that appears on the tax list if it filed a complaint against the valuation or assessment of that parcel for any prior tax year in the same interim period if the person, board, or officer withdrew the complaint before the complaint was heard by the board.

(B) $\underline{(1)}$ Within thirty days after the last date such	684
complaints may be filed, the auditor shall give notice of each	685
complaint in which the stated amount of overvaluation,	686
undervaluation, discriminatory valuation, illegal valuation, or	687
incorrect determination is at least seventeen thousand five	688
hundred dollars to each property owner whose property is the	689
subject of the complaint, if the complaint was not filed by the	690
owner or the owner's spouse, and to each board of education	691
whose school district may be affected by the complaint. Within	692
thirty days after receiving such notice, and in accordance with	693
division (B)(2) of this section, a board of education; a	694
property owner; the owner's spouse; a tenant of the owner, if	695
that tenant would be eligible to file a complaint under division	696
(A) of this section with respect to the property; an individual	697
who is retained by such an owner or tenant and who holds a	698
designation from a professional assessment organization, such as	699
the institute for professionals in taxation, the national	700
council of property taxation, or the international association	701
of assessing officers; a public accountant who holds a permit	702
under section 4701.10 of the Revised Code, a general or	703
residential real estate appraiser licensed or certified under	704
Chapter 4763. of the Revised Code, or a real estate broker	705
licensed under Chapter 4735. of the Revised Code, who is	706
retained by such an owner or tenant; or, if the owner or tenant	707
is a firm, company, association, partnership, limited liability	708
company, corporation, or trust, an officer, a salaried employee,	709
a partner, a member, or trustee of that owner or tenant, _may	710
file a complaint in support of or objecting to the amount of	711
alleged overvaluation, undervaluation, discriminatory valuation,	712
illegal valuation, or incorrect determination stated in a	713
previously filed complaint or objecting to the current	714

valuation. Upon the filing of a complaint under this division,	715
the board of education, property owner, or tenant_shall be made	716
a party to the action.	717

(2) A board of education may not file a complaint under

division (B)(1) of this section unless the board first adopts a

resolution authorizing the filing of the complaint. The

resolution shall include a description of evidence supporting

the board's objection to the previously filed complaint or to

the current valuation or assessment of the property that is the

subject of the complaint.

A board shall not adopt a resolution required under this

division that identifies more than one complaint. Such a

resolution shall not include any other matter and shall be

adopted by a separate vote from the question of whether to adopt

any other resolution.

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The board of revision has jurisdiction to consider a 730 complaint filed pursuant to a resolution adopted under this 731 division only if the board of education certifies a copy of the 732 resolution with the complaint. 733

(C) Each board of revision shall notify any complainant 734 and also the property owner, if the property owner's address is 735 known, when a complaint is filed by one other than the property 736 owner, not less than ten days prior to the hearing, either by 737 certified mail or, if the board has record of an internet 738 identifier of record associated with the owner, by ordinary mail 739 and by that internet identifier of record of the time and place 740 the same will be heard. The board of revision shall hear and 741 render its decision on a complaint within one hundred eighty 742 days after the last day a complaint may be filed with the board 743 under division (A)(1) of this section or, if a complaint is 744

filed within thirty days after receiving notice from the auditor as provided in division (B) of this section, within one hundred eighty days after such filing.

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(D) The determination of any such complaint shall relate 748 back to the date when the lien for taxes or recoupment charges 749 for the current year attached or the date as of which liability 750 for such year was determined. Liability for taxes and recoupment 751 charges for such year and each succeeding year until the 752 complaint is finally determined and for any penalty and interest 753 for nonpayment thereof within the time required by law shall be 754 based upon the determination, valuation, or assessment as 755 finally determined. Each complaint shall state the amount of 756 overvaluation, undervaluation, discriminatory valuation, illegal 757 valuation, or incorrect classification or determination upon 758 which the complaint is based. The treasurer shall accept any 759 amount tendered as taxes or recoupment charge upon property 760 concerning which a complaint is then pending, computed upon the 761 claimed valuation as set forth in the complaint. If a complaint 762 filed under this section for the current year is not determined 763 by the board within the time prescribed for such determination, 764 the complaint and any proceedings in relation thereto shall be 765 continued by the board as a valid complaint for any ensuing year 766 until such complaint is finally determined by the board or upon 767 any appeal from a decision of the board. In such case, the 768 original complaint shall continue in effect without further 769 filing by the original taxpayer, the original taxpayer's 770 assignee, or any other person or entity authorized to file a 771 complaint under this section. 772

(E) If a taxpayer files a complaint as to the

classification, valuation, assessment, or any determination

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affecting the taxpayer's own property under this section and

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tenders less than the full amount of taxes or recoupment charges as finally determined, an interest charge shall accrue as follows:

- (1) If the amount finally determined is less than the amount billed but more than the amount tendered, the taxpayer shall pay interest at the rate per annum prescribed by section 5703.47 of the Revised Code, computed from the date that the taxes were due on the difference between the amount finally determined and the amount tendered. This interest charge shall be in lieu of any penalty or interest charge under section 323.121 of the Revised Code unless the taxpayer failed to file a complaint and tender an amount as taxes or recoupment charges within the time required by this section, in which case section 323.121 of the Revised Code applies.
- (2) If the amount of taxes finally determined is equal to or greater than the amount billed and more than the amount tendered, the taxpayer shall pay interest at the rate prescribed by section 5703.47 of the Revised Code from the date the taxes were due on the difference between the amount finally determined and the amount tendered, such interest to be in lieu of any interest charge but in addition to any penalty prescribed by section 323.121 of the Revised Code.
- (F) Upon request of a complainant, the tax commissioner shall determine the common level of assessment of real property in the county for the year stated in the request that is not valued under section 5713.31 of the Revised Code, which common level of assessment shall be expressed as a percentage of true value and the common level of assessment of lands valued under such section, which common level of assessment shall also be expressed as a percentage of the current agricultural use value

of such lands. Such determination shall be made on the basis of the most recent available sales ratio studies of the commissioner and such other factual data as the commissioner deems pertinent.

(G) A complainant shall provide to the board of revision 810 all information or evidence within the complainant's knowledge 811 or possession that affects the real property that is the subject 812 of the complaint. A complainant who fails to provide such 813 information or evidence is precluded from introducing it on 814 appeal to the board of tax appeals or the court of common pleas, 815 except that the board of tax appeals or court may admit and 816 consider the evidence if the complainant shows good cause for 817 the complainant's failure to provide the information or evidence 818 to the board of revision. 819

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- (H) In case of the pendency of any proceeding in court based upon an alleged excessive, discriminatory, or illegal valuation or incorrect classification or determination, the taxpayer may tender to the treasurer an amount as taxes upon property computed upon the claimed valuation as set forth in the complaint to the court. The treasurer may accept the tender. If the tender is not accepted, no penalty shall be assessed because of the nonpayment of the full taxes assessed.
- (I) A board of education may not enter into a private 828 payment agreement with respect to a complaint filed under this 829 section or section 5715.13 of the Revised Code, and any such 830 agreement is void and unenforceable. As used in this section, 831 "private payment agreement" means any type of agreement in which 832 a property owner, a tenant authorized to file a complaint under 833 division (A) of this section, or any person acting on behalf of 834 a property owner or such a tenant agrees to make one or more 835

payments to a school district in exchange for the board of	836
education of that school district doing any of the following:	837
(1) Refraining from filing a complaint under division (B)	838
of this section;	839
(2) Dismissing a complaint filed by the board under	840
division (B) of this section;	841
(3) Resolving a claim under this section by settlement	842
agreement.	843
Sec. 5717.01. An appeal from a decision of a county board	844
of revision may be taken to the board of tax appeals within	845
thirty days after notice of the decision of the county board of	846
revision is mailed as provided in division (A) of section	847
5715.20 of the Revised Code. Such an appeal may be taken by the	848
county auditor, the tax commissioner, or any board, legislative	849
authority, public official, or taxpayer authorized by section	850
5715.19 of the Revised Code to file complaints against	851
valuations or assessments with the auditor, except that a school	852
district that files a complaint under division (B) of that	853
section may not appeal the decision of the board of revision	854
with respect to that complaint. Such appeal shall be taken by	855
the filing of a notice of appeal, in person or by certified	856
mail, express mail, facsimile transmission, electronic	857
transmission, or by authorized delivery service, with the board	858
of tax appeals and with the county board of revision. If notice	859
of appeal is filed by certified mail, express mail, or	860
authorized delivery service as provided in section 5703.056 of	861
the Revised Code, the date of the United States postmark placed	862
on the sender's receipt by the postal service or the date of	863
receipt recorded by the authorized delivery service shall be	864
treated as the date of filing. If notice of appeal is filed by	865

facsimile transmission or electronic transmission, the date and 866 time the notice is received by the board shall be the date and 867 time reflected on a timestamp provided by the board's electronic 868 system, and the appeal shall be considered filed with the board 869 on the date reflected on that timestamp. Any timestamp provided 870 by another computer system or electronic submission device shall 871 not affect the time and date the notice is received by the 872 board. Upon receipt of such notice of appeal such county board 873 of revision shall notify all persons thereof who were parties to 874 the proceeding before such county board of revision by either 875 certified mail or, if the board has record of an internet 876 identifier of record associated with such a person, by ordinary 877 mail and by that internet identifier of record, and shall file 878 proof of such notice or, in the case of ordinary mail, an 879 affidavit attesting that the board sent the notice with the 880 board of tax appeals. The county board of revision shall 881 thereupon certify to the board of tax appeals a transcript of 882 the record of the proceedings of the county board of revision 883 pertaining to the original complaint, and all evidence offered 884 in connection therewith. Such appeal may be heard by the board 885 of tax appeals at its offices in Columbus or in the county where 886 the property is listed for taxation, or the board of tax appeals 887 may cause its examiners to conduct such hearing and to report to 888 it their findings for affirmation or rejection. An appeal may 889 proceed pursuant to section 5703.021 of the Revised Code on the 890 small claims docket if the appeal qualifies under that section. 891

The board of tax appeals may order the appeal to be heard on the record and the evidence certified to it by the county board of revision, or it may order the hearing of additional evidence, and it may make such investigation concerning the appeal as it deems proper.

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As used in this section, "internet identifier of record"	897
has the same meaning as in section 9.312 of the Revised Code."	898
In line 319, delete "section" and insert "sections 4503.06,"; after	899
"5715.19" insert ", and 5717.01"	900
In line 320, delete "is" and insert "are"	901
In line 323, delete "2021" and insert "2022"	902
Delete lines 324 through 332	903

The motion was _____ agreed to.

<u>SYNOPSIS</u>	904
Authority to file complaints; private payment agreements	905
R.C. 4503.06, 5715.19, and 5717.01; Section 3	906
Replaces all provisions of the bill limiting the manner by	907
which local governments may challenge property tax valuations	908
with a board of revision with provisions that do the following:	909
Allows a person or political subdivision to file an	910
initial property tax complaint only with respect to property	911
that the person or subdivision owns.	912
Allows a school district to file a counter-complaint	913
only if the school board first adopts a resolution authorizing	914
the resolution that includes its evidence for a different	915
property valuation. (The current bill requires a resolution	916
before filing a counter-complaint, but does not specify that the	917
school board must outline evidence of a different valuation.)	918

Prohibits a property owner and a school district from	919
entering into settlement agreements, whereby the owner pays the	920
school district to dismiss, not file, or settle a counter-	921
complaint.	922
Prohibits a school district from appealing the decision	923
of a board of revision.	924
Delays the date the bill's changes apply to complaints	925
filed for tax year 2022, rather than tax year 2021.	926