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# Directory of County Boards and Commissions 

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## Preface

This document is the second edition of the Directory of County Boards and Commissions.

The Directory provides a listing of boards, commissions, and committees that county commissioners either serve on or appoint members to. The entities are grouped by function area, as categorized by which County Commissioners Association of Ohio Standing Committee the activities of the board, commission, or committee falls under. An index of all entities sorted alphabetically is available at the end of the Directory.

For each entity, the following information is provided:

- Legal Citation (predominantly the Ohio Revised Code)
- Total Number of Members
- Appointing Authority/Authorities
- Length of Terms
- Membership Requirements
- Compensation/Expenses
- Other Features (where applicable)

As a note, the legal citation cited for each entry is where the entity itself is created. In many cases, there are additional sections of the Revised Code that govern the entity. To keep this Directory concise, only the initial citation is provided.

CCAO hopes that the Directory is a useful tool for county commissioners, county executives, and county council members and their key staff, as well as other elected and appointed officials and the public. Comments, suggestions, and feedback to help improve the Directory are welcome. Please contact a member of the CCAO Policy Team if you have any comments, suggestions, and/or feedback.

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## General Government

# BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF A REGIONAL ARTS AND CULTURE DISTRICT 

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Citation R.C. 3381.05
Members Determined by the creating resolution.
Appointing Authorities If the district is created solely by a single county, the board of county commissioners is the appointing authority. If the district is created by two or more political subdivisions, the appointing authority or authorities are determined by the resolutions and/or ordinances creating the district.

Term Length Three years, staggered at creation.
Membership Requirements Members must be qualified electors of the district's territory and must be persons with broad knowledge and experience in culture and the arts. At least two members must be persons who devote the majority of their time to practicing the arts.

## Compensation/Expenses Unspecified

Other Features The appointing authority must consider, but need not consent to, nominations by area arts councils. The appointing authority may also designate the members of an area arts council as the board of trustees.

Members may be removed at any time for misfeasance, nonfeasance, or malfeasance.

# BOARD OF MANAGERS OF A COUNTY CENTENNIAL, SESQUINCENTENNIAL, BICENTENNIAL, OR OTHER CELEBRATION 

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Citation R.C. 347.02
Members Determined by the creating resolution.
Appointing Authorities The board of county commissioners.
Term Length Determined by the creating resolution, but practically limited by the completion of the event for which the board of managers was created.

Membership Requirements Unspecified
Compensation/Expenses None

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CITY CENSUS ENUMERATORS
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Citation R.C. 703.14
Members Five
Appointing Authorities The board of county commissioners.
Term Length Ten days.
Membership Requirements Must be a resident of the city in question.
Compensation/Expenses $\$ 3$ per day.
Other Features This provision related to state law provisions dealing with a city reverting to a village due to a detachment of territory since the prior federal census.

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# BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR A STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT 

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Citation R.C. 3354.05
Members Nine
Appointing Authorities Six members are appointed by the board of county commissioners from the county or counties that make up the district, with the remaining three appointed by the governor, subject to advice and consent of the Senate.

Term Length Five years, staggered upon creation.
Membership Requirements Members must be residents of the district.

Compensation/Expenses No compensation, but members are reimbursed for necessary expenses.

Other Features The board must select a secretary and treasurer (a single individual may satisfy this requirement). The individual or individuals selected may not be members of the board itself.

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# COUNTY AUTOMATIC DATA PROCESSING BOARD 

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Citation R.C. 307.84
Members At least five.
Appointing Authorities Members specified in the R.C.
Term Length Unspecified
Membership Requirements Either the elected official or a representative of the elected official from the following offices:

- County treasurer
- County recorder
- Clerk of courts
- County auditor (serves as the board secretary)
- A member of the board of commissioners
- Two members of the board of elections, neither from the same party (if the board of elections decides to join)

The members of the board may, via majority vote, add additional members whose officers use the facilities of the board.

## Compensation/Expenses Unspecified

Other Features The board of county commissioners may, via resolution, require the board to coordinate the records management opera-
tions and technologies of all county offices. Such an action eliminates the county records commission and the county microfilming board and entitles other county elected officials to membership on the expanded data processing board. More information about this procedure can be found in R.C. 307.847

# JOINT BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR INTERSTATE DITCH IMPROVEMENTS 

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Citation R.C. 6135.03
Members Varies based on the number of involved counties.
Appointing Authorities Members specified in the R.C.
Term Length For the duration of the project.
Membership Requirements The members of the involved boards of commissioners.

Compensation/Expenses Unspecified
Other Features The joint board must elect one of their number to serve as president and another to serve as clerk. These officials cannot be from the same state.

# JOINT BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR JOINT DITCH IMPROVEMENT 

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Citation R.C. 6133.03
Members Variable based on the number of involved counties.
Appointing Authorities Members specified by the R.C.
Term Length For the duration of the project.
Membership Requirements The full board of commissioners of each county involved. Additionally, the Ohio Director of Natural Resources is a member ex officio and may participate in person or through a representative. The director or their representative may only vote in the event of a tie.

Compensation/Expenses No compensation but do receive reimbursement for actual expenses. If the petition is dismissed, these expenses must be reimbursed by the petitioners. If the petition is granted, the reimbursement is included in the cost of the project.

Other Features These boards may hold meeting through video conference or teleconference, subject to certain requirements specified in the R.C.

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## COUNTY FACILITIES REVIEW BOARD

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Citation R.C. 331.01
Members Six
Appointing Authorities The judge (or senior judge) of the probate court.
Term Length Three years, staggered at creation.
Membership Requirements No more than three may be of the same political party, and three must be women. Members cannot have any official connection with a charitable or correctional institution within the county that receives public funds.

Compensation/Expenses No compensation but the board of county commissioners must pay actual and appropriate expenses.

Other Features This board is permissive. The judge may terminate or modify the board through an appropriate judicial action.

# BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES OF A FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY WITHIN A COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT 

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Citation R.C. 3375.22
Members Seven
Appointing Authorities The board of county commissioners appoints four members and the judges of the court of common pleas appoints three members.

Term Length Seven years, staggered at creation.
Membership Requirements Must be a qualified elector of the library district or the county within which the district is located.

Compensation/Expenses No compensation but members are reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses.

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# BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF A REGIONAL LIBRARY DISTRICT 

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Citation R.C. 3375.50
Members Seven
Appointing Authorities Initial appointments are made by the boards of county commissioners of the involved counties at a joint meeting; afterwards, each appointment to fill an expiring term is made by the board of commissioners in rotating order by the alphabetical order of participating counties.

Term Length Seven years, staggered at creation.
Membership Requirements Members must be a qualified elector of the district.

Compensation/Expenses No compensation but members are reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses.

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## COUNTY MICROFILMING BOARD

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Citation R.C. 307.80
Members Five
Appointing Authorities Members are specified in the R.C.
Term Length For the duration of their elected terms.
Membership Requirements Either the elected officials themselves or a representative of the following offices:

- County treasurer
- County auditor
- Clerk of courts
- County recorder (serves as the secretary of the board)
- A member of the board of county commissioners

Compensation/Expenses Unspecified
Other Features The board is funded by the board of commissioners and may contract with the legislative authorities of other public entities, as specified in R.C. 307.806.

The board of commissioners may eliminate the board by resolution and by requiring that the county automatic data processing board coordinates records management operations and technologies of all county
offices, as specified in R.C. 307.847. Such an action also eliminates the county records commission and entitles other county officials to membership on the expanded data processing board.

# TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES OF A NEW TOWNSHIP 

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Citation R.C. 503.12
Members Three
Appointing Authorities The board of county commissioners
Term Length Until the next election.
Membership Requirements Members must meet the same general requirements for township trustees.

Compensation/Expenses Compensation is the same as that for regularly elected township trustees.

## General Government

# COUNTY RECORDS COMMISSION 

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Citation R.C. 149.38
Members Five
Appointing Authorities Members specified in the R.C.
Term Length For the duration of their elected term.
Membership Requirements The following are members of the commission:

- A member of the board of county commissioners
- County prosecutor
- County auditor
- County recorder
- County Clerk of Courts

Compensation/Expenses No compensation
Other Features The member of the board of county commissioners serves as the chair. The commission may be eliminated if the board of county commissioners, via resolution, requires the county automatic data processing board to coordinate the records management operations and technologies of all county offices. Such a resolution also eliminates the county microfilming board and entitles other elected officials
for membership on the expanded data processing board. For more information on this process, please see R.C. 307.847.

# JOINT RECREATION BOARD 

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Citation R.C. 755.14
Members Determined by the creating resolution.
Appointing Authorities Determined by the creating resolution.
Term Length Five years, staggered at creation.
Membership Requirements Unspecified, but likely determined by the creating resolution

Compensation/Expenses Nocompensation, reimbursementrequirement is unspecified.

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF A COUNTY OR JOINT COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT 

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Citation R.C. 343.01
Members Variable based on the number and type of counties involved.
Appointing Authorities Members specified by the R.C. for statutory counties. For charter counties, the legislative authority of the county is the appointing authority.

Term Length For members of a board of county commissioners, the duration of their elected term. For members appointed by the legislative authority of a charter county, term length is unspecified.

Membership Requirements For statutory counties, the members are the board of county commissioners. Requirements for members appointed by the legislative authority of a charter county are unspecified.

## Compensation/Expenses Unspecified

Other Features The board of directors may designate a county auditor (or, for a charter county, the equivalent position) as the district fiscal officer and a county treasurer (or, for a charter county, the equivalent position) to serve as the district treasurer. The board may compensate the county or counties from which these officials come from.

# COUNTY OR JOINT DISTRICT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT POLICY COMMITTEE 

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Citation R.C. 3734.54
Members In the case of a county district, seven members.
In the case of a joint district, increments of seven. If the number of counties in the joint district is even, the committee shall include one additional public member who is appointed by the other members of the committee.

Appointing Authorities Four members are specified by the R.C. and three members are appointed by the R.C.-specified members. For joint counties, this applies to each member county, with the above note regarding an additional member if there is an even number of participating counties.

Term Length For R.C.-specified members, for the duration of which they hold the required position. For other members, two years.

Membership Requirements For county districts, the following:

- Members specified by the R.C.
- The president of the board of county commissioners (or designee).
- The chief executive officer of the most populous municipality in the district's jurisdiction (or designee).
- A member representing the townships of the county (chosen
by a majority of the boards of township trustees within the county).
- The health commissioner of the health district serving the largest territorial jurisdiction in the county (or designee).
- Other members, appointed by the R.C.-specified members
- One member representing industrial, commercial, or institutional generators of solid waste within the district.
- One member representing the general interests of citizens who shall have no conflict of interest.
- One member representing the public.

For joint districts, the same as above for each county.

## Compensation/Expenses Unspecified

# TECHNICAL ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR A COUNTY OR JOINT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT POLICY COMMITTEE 

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Citation R.C. 3734.54
Members At least one member.
Appointing Authorities The policy committee of the district.
Term Length The member or members serve at the pleasure of the policy committee.

Membership Requirements The only required member must represent solid waste hauling and disposal industries. Other members may be appointed as the policy committee deems appropriate. Other such members may be health commissioners, representatives of political subdivisions within the district that do not already have representation on the policy committee, persons representing environmental advocacy organizations, persons representing the private recycling industry, and persons representing industrial generators of solid waste.

## Compensation/Expenses Unspecified

Other Features The creation of a technical advisory committee is optional.

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# BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF A REGIONAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY 

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Citation R.C. 343.011
Members At least seven, exact number is determined by the creation agreement.

Appointing Authorities Members generally specified by the R.C., with said members having appointing authority for additional members.

Term Length For members who are elected officials, the duration of their term. For those who are not elected officials, terms are determined by the creation agreement.

Membership Requirements The R.C. requires the following members:

- The president of the board of county commissioners (or a designee) of each participating county.
- The chief executive (or a designee) of the largest municipality in each participating county.
- A member representing the townships of each participating county (as selected by the majority of the boards of township trustees in the county).
- The health commissioner (or a designee) of the health district covering the largest territory within each county.
- A member representing the public, as selected by the preceding
members.
Additionally, for county districts there must be a member representing industrial, commercial, or instutitional generators of solid waste within the district and a member representing the general interests of citizens (who must not have a conflict of interest through affiliation with a waste management company or other entity that is a significant generator of solid waste).

In a joint district, representatives of the same characters shall be added for each member county. If the counties in the joint district is an even number, another similar member shall be added.

## Compensation/Expenses Unspecified

Other Features The creation agreement must be approved by the legislative authorities that constitute the district and comprise at least 60\% of the district. This applies to municipalities and townships.

All the duties and responsibilities imposed upon or granted to a board of county commissioners or a board of directors under R.C. Chapter 343 shall be vested in and exercised by the board of trustees of a regional authority.

## General Government

# GOVERNING BOARD OF A SYMPHONY ASSOCIATION, AREA ARTS COUNCIL, AND OTHERS 

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Citation R.C. 757.06
Members Three
Appointing Authorities The board of county commissioners, or the mayor or legislative authority of the city.

Term Length Unspecified
Membership Requirements Members of the appointing authority may be appointed.

Compensation/Expenses Unspecified
Other Features This provision only applies in cases where the association or council in question requests municipal and/or county financial support.

## General Government

# BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR A UNIVERSITY BRANCH DISTRICT 

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Citation R.C. 3355.04
Members Seven
Appointing Authorities The legislative authority of the municipality or board of county commissioners the district is located in. If the district is created by more than one county, the involved counties must agree to the allocation of appointments, with no county appointing more than four members.

Term Length Terms may not be exceed four years. Terms may be staggered but are not required to be.

Membership Requirements Members must be residents of the municipality, county, or counties which the branch district serves.

Compensation/Expenses Unspecified

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## BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE ERECTION OF A WAR MEMORIAL

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Citation R.C. 345.06 \& 345.08
Members Between five and eleven, as determined by the appointing authority.

Appointing Authorities The board of county commissioners, as the taxing or bond-issuing authority for the memorial.

Term Length Five years.
Membership Requirements At least half of the members must have been honorably discharged from the US Armed Forces.

Compensation/Expenses Nocompensation, butmembers do receive reimbursement for travel and other expenses. Expenses are to be paid from the Memorial Fund.

Other Features The board must select a secretary. The secretary may be a member of the board, but must be a veteran, surviving spouse, or parent of a veteran who served during war. If the secretary is not a member of the board, the board shall fix compensation for the secretary, also to be paid out of Memorial Fund.

## General Government

# BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF A COUNTY WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT 

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Citation R.C. 302.204
Members Determined by the creating resolution.
Appointing Authorities The board of county commissioners.
Term Length Determined by the creating resolution.
Membership Requirements Determined by the creating resolution.
Compensation/Expenses Determined by the creating resolution.
Other Features This board is limited to counties that have adopted an Alternative Form of County Government, as described in R.C. Chapter 302. It is not to be confused with the Board of Trustees of a Regional Water and Sewer District established pursuant to R.C. Chapter 6119.

## General Government

# BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF A REGIONAL WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT 

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Citation R.C. 6119.02
Members Determined by the initial petition.
Appointing Authorities Determined by the initial petition.
Term Length Determined by the initial petition.
Membership Requirements Determined by the initial petition, but may not have the majority of members be appointed officials from the same political subdivision.

Compensation/Expenses Determined by the initial petition.
Other Features The creators of the petition must hold a public meeting for the purpose of receiving comments before the filing the petition.

## General Government

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR A WATERSHED DISTRICT 

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Citation R.C. 6105.07
Members Five
Appointing Authorities The president of the board of county commissioners or a duly elected representative of each county in the watershed district.

Term Length Five years, staggered at creation.
Membership Requirements One member must be a representative of the public, one a representative of agriculture, one a representative of industry, one a representative of public water, and one as a representative of public recreation.

Compensation/Expenses No compensation, but are reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses.

# SINGLE COUNTY AND JOINT BOARDS OF ALCOHOL, DRUG ADDICTION, AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES (ADAMHS BOARDS) 

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Citation R.C. 340.02
Members Nine, 12, 14, 15, or 18.
Appointing Authorities The Ohio Director of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OMHAS) appoints one-third of the members while the board of county commissioners appoints the remaining two-thirds. In the case of boards with 14 members, the Revised Code does not specify, but it is likely that the county will appoint nine members and OMHAS will appoint five members.

For joint-county boards, each member county receives a number of the county appointments equal to its proportion of the board's total population, with each county guaranteed at least one appointment.

Term Length Four years, with different term staggering between the two board sizes. Members may not serve more than two consecutive terms under the same appointing authority.

Membership Requirements Allmembers must be residents of the district. OMHAS must ensure that at least one member is a clinician with experience in the provision of mental health services, one member is
a person who has received or is currently receiving mental health services, one member is a parent or relative of such an individual, one member is a clinician with experience in addiction services, one is a person who has or is currently receiving addiction services, and one is a parent or relative of such an individual.

A single individual may meet both clinician requirements.
Compensation/Expenses No compensation but must be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses.

Other Features Members may be removed at will. Members being removed must be afforded written notice and a public hearing on the matter. Appointments may be vacated if a member misses four board meetings in one year or two board meetings without notice.

Joint boards are an independent taxing authority.

# ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN SERVICES 

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Citation R.C. 5153.05
Members Unspecified
Appointing Authorities If the county children services agency is an independent board, the board itself appoints the members. If the county children services agency is the county department of job and family services or another entity, the board of county commissioners appoints the members.

Term Length Unspecified
Membership Requirements Unspecified
Compensation/Expenses Unspecified

## Human Services

# CHILD ABUSE AND CHILD NEGLECT REGIONAL PREVENTION COUNCIL 

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Citation R.C. 3109.172 and OAC 5101:5-1
Members Variable on the number of counties participating.
Appointing Authorities The board of county commissioners of each county may appoint up to two members, with other members appointed by the statewide Children's Trust Fund Board at the board's discretion. Additionally, a representative of the council's regional prevention coordinator serves on the board as a non-voting member.

Term Length Members appointed by the board of commissioners serve two-year terms while the members appointed by the Children's Trust Fund Board serve three-year terms. Members can serve no more than two consecutive terms.

Membership Requirements All appointees must be "county prevention specialists," which are defined as any of the following:

- Members of agencies responsible for children services in the region.
- Providers of alcohol or drug addiction services, mental health services, or members of ADAMHS boards in the region.
- Members of the education community (as recommended by the superintendent of the school district in the region with the largest enrollment).
- Juvenile justice officials.
- Pediatricians.
- Health department nurses.
- Other members of the medical community.
- Counselors and social workers
- Individuals with Head Start agencies within the region.
- Child care providers.
- Other persons with demonstrated knowledge in programs for children.


## Compensation/Expenses Unspecified

Other Features Members may be removed for misconduct, incompetence, or neglect of duty. If a member is removed, the appointing authority which appointed the individual makes the replacement appointment.

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Citation R.C. 5153.03
Members Five required members. In counties with a population of less than 100,000, may appoint up to five additional members; in counties with a population of greater than or equal to 100,000, may appoint up to nine additional members.

Appointing Authorities The board of county commissioners.
Term Length Four years, staggered upon creation.
Membership Requirements Unspecified
Compensation/Expenses No compensation but members are reimbursed for necessary expenses and are considered county employees for the purposes of R.C. 325.20, which requires commissioner approval of travel for certain purposes.

Other Features Members may be removed for good cause, including missing three consecutive regular meetings without a valid reason or other "manifest indifference" to the work of the board.

These boards are discretionary, counties are not required to have a Children Services Board.

# BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF A DISTRICT CHILDREN'S HOME 

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Citation R.C. 5153.36
Members Five
Appointing Authorities The joint board of commissioners.
Term Length The initial board serves until the first annual meeting after an established site and building are selected, or after the the selection and purchase of a building site. Afterwards, terms are five years in length, staggered until the initial board completes its duties.

## Membership Requirements Unspecified

Compensation/Expenses No compensation, but are reimbursed for actual traveling expenses.

Other Features The annual meeting is held on the first Tuesday of May.

## Human Services

# JOINT BOARD FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A DISTRICT CHILDREN'S HOME 

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Citation R.C. 5153.36
Members Between six and twelve, depending on the number of participating counties.

Appointing Authorities Members specified by the R.C.
Term Length For the duration of their elected terms.
Membership Requirements The boards of county commissioners serve as the members of the joint board. The number of participating counties may not exceed four.

## Compensation/Expenses Unspecified

Other Features Counties may only form this board upon recommendation by their respective public children services agencies and upon approval by the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services.

# BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES 

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Citation R.C. 5126.021
Members Seven
Appointing Authorities The board of commissioners appoints five members, the senior probate judge in the county appoints the remaining two years.

## Term Length Four years.

Membership Requirements At least two of the members appointed by the commissioners must be individuals who are either eligible to receive services from the board or are an immediate family member of such an individual. When possible, one such appointment should be for an individual eligible for adult services and the other eligible for early intervention services or services for preschool or school-age children.

The senior probate judge must appoint at least one individual who is an immediate family member of an individual eligible for residential services or supported living.

To the maximum extent possible, appointing authorities must appoint individuals who have professional training and experience in business management, finance, law, health care, personnel administration, or government service. The membership should reflect as the composition of the county to the best degree possible.

Compensation/Expenses No compensation but members are reim-
bursed for actual and necessary expenses.

## Other Features Please refer to R.C. 5126.023 for a list of individuals who may not serve on a DD Board.

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# COUNTY FAMILY SERVICES PLANNING COMMITTEE 

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Citation R.C. 329.06
Members Determined by the appointing authority.
Appointing Authorities The board of county commissioners.
Term Length Unspecified
Membership Requirements At least one member to represent the county department of job and family services, an employee in the classified civil service of the county department of job and family services (if there are any), and a member to represent the public. The board must be broadly representative of individuals and public and private entities that have an interest in family services. It also must reflect, to the best degree possible, the ethnic and racial composition of the county.

Compensation/Expenses Unspecified

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# GENERAL HEALTH DISTRICT ADVISORY COUNCIL 

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Citation R.C. 3709.03
Members Variable
Appointing Authorities Members specified by the R.C.
Term Length For the duration of their elected terms.
Membership Requirements The president of the board of county commissioners, the chief executive of each municipal corporation that does not have a city health district, and the chairperson of each board of township trustees. Each member may designate an alternate.

Compensation/Expenses Unspecified

# MUNICIPAL HOSPITAL BOARD 

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Citation R.C. 513.10
Members Unspecified
Appointing Authorities Board of county commissioners.
Term Length Four years, staggered at creation.
Membership Requirements Must be electors of the county or an adjacent county.

Compensation/Expenses No compensation but are reimbursed for necessary expenses.

Other Features The appointing authority may remove appointees for good and sufficient cause. Must provide for a hearing upon written charges before removal.

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# COUNTY HOSPITAL COMMISSION 

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Citation R.C. 339.14
Members No less than three.
Appointing Authorities The board of county commissioners.
Term Length Six years, staggered at creation.
Membership Requirements At least three members must represent the public. Each participating hospital corporation gets one appointment and nonparticipating charitable hospital corporations may receive an additional member. One or members are for any joint township hospital district participating in the commission. The members that represent the county and hospital corporations must be electors of the county.

Compensation/Expenses Nocompensation, reimbursementpermissions are unspecified.

# BOARD OF COUNTY HOSPITAL TRUSTEES 

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Citation R.C. 339.02
Members Six members are required by statute, but the board of county commissioners may increase the size to eight or ten.

Appointing Authorities The board of commissioners, the senior probate judge, and the senior judge of the common pleas court (other than the senior probate judge).

Term Length Six years, staggered at creation.
Membership Requirements Members must be electors of the area served by the hospital, except that no more than two members may be electors of the area served that is outside of the county in which the hospital is located. No more than two physicians may serve on the board at the same time and any such physician must not be employed by the county hospital (but they may have admitting and treating privileges).

Compensation/Expenses The board of commissioners may provide members with a stipend or provide no compensation. The members must be reimbursed for necessary and reasonable expenses, including the cost of any continuing education programs or developmental programs that the members consider necessary. Any stipends and expenses are to be paid out of funds provided for the hospital.

Other Features Members may be removed for neglect of duty, misconduct, or malfeasance. The member must be informed in writing and afforded a hearing. Members may not be removed for political reasons. Please refer to the statute for more complete details on increasing or
decreasing the size of the board and the specific authority of commissioners and judges as it relates to the board.

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# DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE PROVISION OF OPTIONAL JUVENILE TREATMENT FACILITIES 

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Citation R.C. 2151.68
Members At least five.
Appointing Authorities The joint board of county commissioners created to form a district of juvenile treatment facilities (see separate listing).

Term Length The initial board will serve until the first annual meeting after an established site and building are selected or until after the selection and purchase of a building site. Afterwards, terms are five years in length and staggered.

Membership Requirements Members must be selected from a list of persons recommended and approved by the juvenile judge or judges of the county in which the individual resides. The requirements regarding who the judge or judges may recommend are not specified.

Compensation/Expenses No compensation, but are reimbursed for actual traveling expenses.

Other Features The presiding juvenile judge of each participating county
(or a member of their staff) must attend the meetings of the board of trustees.

# JOINT BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO FORM A DISTRICT FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF OPTIONAL JUVENILE TREATMENT FACILITIES 

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Citation R.C. 2151.65
Members Varies by the number of participating counties.
Appointing Authorities Members specified by the R.C.
Term Length For the duration of their elected terms.
Membership Requirements The board is comprised of all the commissioners of each participating county.

Compensation/Expenses Unspecified

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# BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF A COUNTY TUBERCULOSIS CLINIC 

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Citation R.C. 339.76
Members Three
Appointing Authorities The board of county commissioners.
Term Length Identical to a board of trustees of a county hospital or a city or general district board of health, as determined by the board of commissioners.

Membership Requirements Identical to a board of trustees of a county hospital or a city or general district board of health, as determined by the board of commissioners.

Compensation/Expenses Identical to a board of trustees of a county hospital or a city or general district board of health, as determined by the board of commissioners.

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# JOINT BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF A COUNTY TUBERCULOSIS CLINIC 

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Citation R.C. 339.76
Members Determined by the participating boards of county commissioners.

Appointing Authorities The participating boards of commissioners.
Term Length Identical to a board of trustees of a county hospital or a city or general district board of health, as determined by the boards of commissioners.

Membership Requirements Each member county appoints an equal number of members. Otherwise, identical to a board of trustees of a county hospital or a city or general district board of health, as determined by the boards of commissioners.

Compensation/Expenses Identical to a board of trustees of a county hospital or a city or general district board of health, as determined by the boards of commissioners.

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# COUNTY TUBERCULOSIS (TB) RECORD BUREAU 

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Citation R.C. 339.74
Members Determined by the appointing authority.
Appointing Authorities The tuberculosis control unit for the county.
Term Length Determined by the appointing authority.
Membership Requirements Determined by the appointing authority.

Compensation/Expenses Unspecified
Other Features The tuberculosis control unit is designated by the board of county commissioners and, by agreement, may cover multiple counties. This is governed by R.C. 339.72 and may be either a communicable disease control program operated by a board of health or a health district, a tuberculosis clinic established by the board of commissioners, or a hospital that provides tuberculosis clinic services under a contract with the county.

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# 9-1-1 PROGRAM REVIEW COMMITTEE 

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Citation R.C. 128.06
Members Three, five, or six, depending on county characteristics.
Appointing Authorities Members specified in the R.C.
Term Length For the duration of their elected term.
Membership Requirements Generally, each committee will have six members:

- A member of the board of county commissioners or a designee (this member is the chairperson of the committee).
- The chief executive officer of the most populous municipality in the county.
- A member of the board of township trustees of the most populous township in the county.
- A member of a board of township trustees as selected by a majority of the boards of township trustees.
- A member of the legislative authority of a municipality in the county, as selected by a majority of legislative authorities of municipalities in the county.
- An elected official from within the county, as appointed by the board of county commissioners.

In counties with fewer than five townships, a population of greater than 750,000, and which contain more than one public safety answering point, the committee shall consist of five members:

- A member of the board of county commissioners or a designee (this member is the chairperson of the committee).
- The chief executive officer of the most populous municipality in the county.
- One of the following, based on which jurisdiction has the greater population:
- The chief executive officer of the most second-most populous municipality in the county.
- A member of the board of township trustees of the most populous township in the county.
- The chief executive officer of a municipality in the county, as selected by a majority of legislative authorities of municipalities in the county.
- A member of a board of township trustees as selected by a majority of the boards of township trustees.

In counties that have only one public safety answering point, the committee shall consist of three members:

- If the public safety answering point is operated by the board of county commissioners, then the board of county commissioners is the committee
- If not, then:
- A member of the board of county commissioners or a designee (this member is the chairperson of the committee).
- If the answering point is operated by a township, then a member of that board of township trustees; if by a municipality, then the chief executive officer of the municipality; if by a different political subdivision, then by an elected official of that subdivision or of the applicable regional council of governments.
- An elected official of the most populous township or municipality that does not operate the answering point.

Compensation/Expenses No compensation.
Other Features When determining population, in the case of a municipality that crosses county lines, only the individuals living within the county are to be counted. The county provides the committee with clerical, legal, and other staff assistance and pays for copying, mailing, and other expenses incurred by developing the plan.

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## CHILD FATALITY REVIEW BOARD

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Citation R.C. 307.621
Members At least six.

Appointing Authorities Either the health commissioner of the board of health of a city or general health district located entirely or partially within the county or the board of county commissioners.

Term Length For the six required members (see Membership Requirements), unspecified. For any additional members, a period of time determined by a majority of the board.

Membership Requirements The six required members are:

- The county coroner (or their designee)
- The chief of police or sheriff who serves the greatest population in the county (or their designee)
- The executive director of the public children services agency (or their designee)
- A public health official (or their designee)
- The executive director of the ADAMHS board (or their designee)
- A physician who holds a proper license to practice medicine or surgery, or osteopathic medicine and surgery, who specializes in pediatric or family medicine, and who currently practices such medicine.

For other members invited to serve on the board, no qualifications are specified.

Compensation/Expenses No compensation or reimbursement of expenses.

Other Features The boards of commissioners of two or more counties may form a joint review board which generally follow the same establishment requirements as single county review boards.

# FACILITY GOVERNING BOARD OF A COMMUNITY-BASED CORRECTIONAL FACILITY 

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Citation R.C. 2301.51
Members At least six.
Appointing Authorities The judicial advisory board appoints two-thirds of the members, the board (or boards) of commissioners appoint the remaining one-third.

Term Length Three years, staggered at creation.
Membership Requirements Unspecified. If the facility serves multiple counties, no more than half of the members can be from a single county.

Compensation/Expenses No compensation, but may be reimbursed for reasonable and necessary expenses.

Other Features Counties may use a facility or program of a district facility by written agreement without being a member.

# CORRECTIONS COMMISSION FOR MULTI-COUNTY, MUNICIPAL-COUNTY, OR MULTI-COUNTY-MUNICIPAL JAILS 

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Citation R.C. 307.93
Members Variable on the number of entities participating.
Appointing Authorities Members specified in the R.C.
Term Length For members who are elected officials, the duration of their elected term (see Membership Requirements). Otherwise unspecified.

Membership Requirements For each county that is a member: the county sheriff and a member of the board of commissioners. For each municipality: the chief of police and the mayor or city manager.

Compensation/Expenses Unspecified.
Other Features Members may appoint designees to serve in their place.

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## LOCAL/JOINT CORRECTIONS PLANNING BOARD

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Citation R.C. 5149.34-. 35
Members Determined by creating resolution.
Appointing Authorities Members specified in the R.C.
Term Length Determined by creating resolution.
Membership Requirements Membership must include the following:

- An administrator of a jail or workhouse in the county
- A county commissioner
- A judge of the court of common pleas
- A judge of a municipal or county court
- An attorney whose practice primarily involves criminal defense
- The chief law enforcement officer of the largest municipality
- The county sheriff
- At least one prosecutor
- The executive director of the ADAMHS board (or their designee)
- The executive director of the board of developmental disabilities (or their designee)
- An administrator of a halfway house, if there are any in the county (or their designee)
- An administrator of a community corrections facility act-funded program, if there are any in the county (or their designee)
- An administrator of a community-based correctional facility serving the court of common pleas, if there are any in the county
- At least one representative of the public (at least one such representative must be a victim of crime)
- At least one member of the judiciary
- At least one representative from the field of corrections
- At least one official from the largest municipality

A majority of the above members must be employed in the adult criminal justice field. At least two members must be members of the largest racial minority in the county and at least two different members must be women.

Compensation/Expenses Determined by creating resolution.
Other Features The Director of Rehabilitation and Correction may waive the membership requirements if good cause is shown that the county will not be able to satisfy the complete list of requirements. If two or more counties enter into an agreement for the joint development, implementation, and operation of community corrections programs, the joint corrections planning board consists of an equal number of each county's local board, as established by R.C. 5419.34.

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# COUNTY JAIL INDUSTRY BOARD 

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Citation R.C. 5147.30
Members Seven voting members, may include additional non-voting members.

Appointing Authorities The board of commissioners appoints three members; the county sheriff appoints three members; and the board of commissioners and sheriff jointly appoint one member. These seven voting members may appoint additional members who will serve in a non-voting capacity.

Term Length Three years, staggered at creation.
Membership Requirements One of the voting members shall have knowledge of and experience in the social services, one in the field of labor, one in the field of law enforcement, and one in the field of business.

Compensation/Expenses No compensation, but are reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses.

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# COUNTY LAW LIBRARY RESOURCES BOARD 

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Citation R.C. 307.511
Members Five
Appointing Authorities The county prosecutor appoints one member, the administrative judges or judges of all municipal and county courts meet jointly to appoint one member. The administrative judge or presiding judge of the court of common pleas appoints one member. The board of county commissioners appoints two members.

Term Length Five years.
Membership Requirements Of the two members appointed by administrative or presiding judges, both must be attorneys licensed to practice law in Ohio and are in good standing before the state Supreme Court.

Compensation/Expenses Unspecified
Other Features A member of the board of trustees of a law library association may serve on the board if the members discloses the dual membership.

# JOINT BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO FORM DISTRICT FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF A DETENTION HOME 

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Citation R.C. 2152.41
Members Variable based on the number of participating counties.
Appointing Authorities Members specified in the R.C.
Term Length For the duration of their elected term (see Membership Requirements).

Membership Requirements The members are the boards of commissioners of the counties in the district.

Compensation/Expenses No compensation, reimbursement fornecessary expenses including travel costs.

Other Features The county auditor of the county with the largest population, or auditor of the county where the detention facility is located, with the unanimous concurrence of the county auditors of the district, serves as the district fiscal officer.

# BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF DISTRICT DETENTION HOME 

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Citation R.C. 2152.44
Members At least five, with more members added as needed as the number of counties increases. The number of members on the board must always be an odd number.

Appointing Authorities Appointed by the joint board of commissioners upon recommendation of the juvenile court judge or judges in which the individual resides.

Term Length Five years, staggered at creation.
Membership Requirements At least one member must reside in each county in the district. The county in which facility is located is entitled to not less than two members.

Compensation/Expenses No compensation, but may receive reimbursement for necessary expenses.

Other Features The joint board of commissioners may remove members with good cause.

# COUNTYWIDE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ADVISORY GROUP 

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Citation R.C. 5502.26
Members Variable, dependent on the number of participating political subdivisions.

Appointing Authorities The chief executive of each participating political subdivision appoints one member.

Term Length Unspecified
Membership Requirements Unspecified
Compensation/Expenses Unspecified
Other Features For this purpose, a chief executive is the mayor or city manager for municipalities; for townships, the board of township trustees. Advisory group appoints the executive committee and advises executive committee on issues relating to countywide emergency management.

# REGIONAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ADVISORY GROUP 

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Citation R.C. 5502.27
Members Variable, dependent on the number of participating political subdivisions.

Appointing Authorities The chief executive of each political subdivision in the agreement appoints one representative.

Term Length Unspecified
Membership Requirements Unspecified
Compensation/Expenses Unspecified
Other Features For this purpose a chief executive is the mayor or city manager for municipalities; for townships the board of township trustees. Advisory group appoints the executive committee and advises executive committee on issues relating to regional emergency management.

# EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF A COUNTYWIDE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY 

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Citation R.C. 5502.26
Members At least seven, total number determined by the creating countywide agreement.

Appointing Authorities Some members specified in the R.C., others by the creation agreement, and others by the Countywide Emergency Management Advisory Group.

Term Length Unspecified.
Membership Requirements One county commissioner, five chief executives representing the municipal corporations and townships entering the agreement, and one nonelected representative. The creating agreement specifies if any other members are on the executive committee and their selection method.

Compensation/Expenses Unspecified.
Other Features Appoints a director/coordinator of emergency manager who may be an official or employee of any participating subdivision but may not be the chief executive of any such subdivision.

# EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF A REGIONAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY 

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Citation R.C. 5502.27
Members At least nine, exact number determined by the creating agreement.

Appointing Authorities Some members specified in the R.C., others by the creation agreement and the Regional Emergency Management Advisory Group.

Term Length Unspecified
Membership Requirements Two county commissioners representing the boards of county commissioners participating, six chief executives representing municipalities and townships participating, and one nonelected representative. The creation agreement specifies if there are any additional members and how they are be selected.

## Compensation/Expenses Unspecified

Other Features Appoints a director/coordinator of emergency manager who may be an official or employee of any participating subdivision but may not be the chief executive of any such subdivision.

# BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF A JOINT EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DISTRICT 

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Citation R.C. 307.053
Members Variable on the number of entities participating; each participating county appoints an equal number of representatives, not to exceed three.

Appointing Authorities The participating boards of county commissioners.

Term Length One year.
Membership Requirements Members must be a resident of the district. Appointing commissioners may be appointed to the board. May not have any direct or indirect interest in any contracts or expenditures made by the district

Compensation/Expenses No compensation, may be reimbursed for necessary expenses.

# LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE 

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Citation R.C. 3750.03
Members As many as the emergency response commission (astatewide entity) deems appropriate.

Appointing Authorities The statewide emergency response commission with the following notes:

In the case of single county districts, the emergency response commission appoints from a list submitted by the board of commissioners of the county. If the district contains two or more counties, the emergency response commission appoints from a list submitted by each board of commissioners.

Term Length Two years.
Membership Requirements Must include representatives from each of the following: elected state and local officials, law enforcement personnel, emergency management personnel, firefighting personnel, first aid personnel, health personnel, local environmental personnel, hospital personnel, transportation personnel, broadcast and print media personnel, community groups, and owners/operators of facilities subject to R.C. Chapter 3750.

## Compensation/Expenses Unspecified

Other Features The committee may remove a members for misfeasance, malfeasance, or nonfeasance by a two-thirds vote.

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## JAIL INDUSTRY BOARD

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Citation R.C. 5147.30
Members Seven
Appointing Authorities The board of county commissioners appoints three, the county sheriff appoints three, and the sheriff and board of county commissioners jointly appoint one.

Term Length Three years, staggered at creation.
Membership Requirements At least one must have knowledge of and experience in social services, one in the field of labor, one in law enforcement, and one in business.

Compensation/Expenses No compensation but members are reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses. The board of county commissioners must approve the expenses.

Other Features The board may, by majority vote, appoint additional persons to serve on the board. These individuals serve as nonvoting members.

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## JUDICIAL ADVISORY BOARD

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Citation R.C. 307.93
Members Varies based on the number of counties participating in the multicounty correctional center.

Appointing Authorities Members specified in the R.C.
Term Length For the duration of their elected term (see Membership Requirements) and the existence of the correctional center.

Membership Requirements Administrative judge of the general division of each county court of common pleas, the presiding judge of the municipal court of each municipality participating in the corrections center, and the presiding judge of each county court participating in the corrections center. If this results in an even number, the auditor of the most populous county is also a member of the board.

Compensation/Expenses No compensation or expenses.
Other Features Judges may appoint designees, provided the designee is also a judge on the same court.

While commissioners do not play a part in the Judicial Advisory Board, it is included due to its interaction with the Facility Governing Board of a Community-Based Correctional Facility.

# COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER COMMISSION 

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Citation R.C. 120.13
Members Five
Appointing Authorities Three members appointed by the board of county commissioners and two appointed by the judge (or presiding judge) of the county court of common pleas.

Term Length Four years, staggered at creation.
Membership Requirements At least one member appointed by each appointing authority must be an attorney admitted to practice law in Ohio.

Compensation/Expenses May receive a fixed amount, not to exceed the amounts set for members of the Ohio Public Defender Commission, set by the board of commissioners, for each meeting they attend and for necessary expenses such as mileage.

Other Features Board of commissioners may terminate the commission with 90 days notification to the Ohio Public Defender Commission. Termination reverts the county to an appointed counsel system for indigent defense unless the county forms or joins a joint county public defender commission or contracts with the state public defender.

# JOINT COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER COMMISSION 

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Citation R.C. 120.23
Members Increments of three for every county in the joint commission.

Appointing Authorities Each participating county appoints three members.

Term Length Three years, staggered at creation.
Membership Requirements Unspecified, but presumably one member appointed by each county must be an attorney admitted to practice law in Ohio.

Compensation/Expenses May receive a fixed amount, not to exceed the amounts set for members of the Ohio Public Defender Commission, set by agreement among the board of commissioners, for each meeting they attend and for necessary expenses such as mileage.

Other Features The agreement to form a joint commission also establishes the allocation of expenses. The county auditor of the member county with the greatest population is the fiscal officer. Withdrawal requires 90-day notice of termination date. County reverts to an appointed counsel system unless a single county public defender commission is established or the county contracts with the state public defender.

# VOLUNTEER PEACE OFFICERS DEPENDENTS FUND BOARD 

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Citation R.C. 143.02
Members Five
Appointing Authorities Two members are appointed by the legislative authority of the fund member that maintains the sheriff's department (in the case of county fund boards, that is the county commissioners); two members are elected by the volunteer peace officers of the sheriff's department; one member is elected by the aforementioned members.

## Term Length One year.

Membership Requirements The member elected by the other four members must be an elector of the sheriff's department's jurisdiction and may not be a public employee, a member of the legislative authority, or a peace officer of the sheriff's department.

Compensation/Expenses No compensation. Expense policy unspecified.

Other Features The legislative authority (county commissioners in this case) must provide meeting space and supplies for the board.

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## WORKHOUSE JOINT BOARD

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## Citation R.C. 753.15

Members Variable based on the entities involved.
Appointing Authorities Members specified in the R.C.
Term Length For the duration of their elected term (see Membership Requirements).

Membership Requirements The board of commissioners is one half of the members, the other half being the board of control (in case of a city) or the board of trustees of public affairs (in case of a village).

Compensation/Expenses Unspecified.
Other Features In the case of a city, the board of commissioners and the legislative authority of the city may enter into a contract for private operation and management of the workhouse.

# REGIONAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF AN AIRPORT AUTHORITY 

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Citation R.C. 308.03
Members Determined by creating resolution of a single county or two or more contiguous counties.

Appointing Authorities Determined by creating resolution.
Term Length Determined by creating resolution.
Membership Requirements Determined by creating resolution.
Compensation/Expenses Determined by creating resolution.

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## AIRPORT ZONING BOARD

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Citation R.C. 4563.03
Members Variable based on location of the airport and its hazard areas.

Appointing Authorities Members are specified in the R.C., with specifics determined by the location of the airport and its hazard areas.

Term Length For the duration of their elected terms.
Membership Requirements If the airport and hazard areas are wholly located inside a single political subdivision, the legislative authority of the subdivision is the zoning board. If the airport and hazard areas are located in more than one political subdivision, the board(s) of county commissioners in each affected counties are the board. In the event of a joint-county board, the board elects a chairperson.

Compensation/Expenses Unspecified

# AIRPORT ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS 

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Citation R.C. 4563.13
Members Five
Appointing Authorities The Airport Zoning Board.
Term Length Three years, staggered upon creation.
Membership Requirements Unspecified
Compensation/Expenses Unspecified
Other Features Members may be removed by the Airport Zoning Board for cause, upon written charges and after a public hearing.

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# AIRPORT ZONING COMMISSION 

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Citation R.C. 4563.05
Members Unspecified
Appointing Authorities The Airport Zoning Board.
Term Length Unspecified
Membership Requirements Unspecified
Compensation/Expenses Unspecified
Other Features If a city planning commission, a township zoning commission, or a county rural zoning commission already exists and covers the area of the airport, the Airport Zoning Board may select it to be the airport zoning commission.

# COUNTY BRIDGE COMMISSION 

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Citation R.C. 5593.05
Members Three
Appointing Authorities Board of county commissioners.
Term Length Six years, staggered at creation.
Membership Requirements No more than two members may be of the same political party and members must not have a conflict of interest. Additionally, members must be bondable.

Compensation/Expenses Compensation is determined by the board of commissioners but may not exceed \$3,500 per year. Members are to be reimbursed for necessary expenses.

# COUNTY BOARD OF BUILDING APPEALS 

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Citation R.C. 307.381, 3781.20
Members Five
Appointing Authorities Board of county commissioners.
Term Length Five years, staggered at creation.
Membership Requirements Members must meet the following qualifications:

- An attorney admitted to the Ohio bar
- A registered architect
- Two registered engineers
- One must specialize in structural engineering
- One must specialize in mechanical engineering
- Both must be licensed to practice in Ohio and have experience in problems incidental to construction of buildings and structures,
- A representative of organized labor with knowledge regarding the construction and equipment of buildings and structures.

Compensation/Expenses Determined by creating resolution.
Other Features The board for a county building department must be certified to administer the state building code and the board of appeals
must also be certified by the state board of building standards.

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Citation R.C. 153.21
Members Seven
Appointing Authorities The board of commissioners serves on the board and appoints four additional members.

Term Length For the duration of the construction or improvement project.
Membership Requirements All three members of the board of county commissioners serve on the board. The other four members are appointed by the commissioners and must be "suitable and competent freehold electors," not more than two of which may be of the same political party.

While "freehold" is not explicitly defined in the R.C., it has a common meaning of one who owns land.

Compensation/Expenses The four appointees receive "reasonable compensation" for the time employed. The amount is fixed by the court of common pleas and aggregate compensation may not exceed $\$ 8,000$. Appointed members are also entitled to reimbursement for necessary expenses for discharge of duties.

Other Features Appointees must take oath of office and provide bond in same amount as county commissioners. Any vacancies on the board are filled by the judge (or senior judge) of the county court of common
pleas.
Special Comment Please note that county building commissions are permissive and are not used extensively today. They are largely a vestige of the early 1900s, even though they remain in statute. Under the county building commission statutes, the contracting authority for the improvement is the county building commission, not the board of county commissioners. It is common to confuse the county building commission with what the Ohio Attorney General (OAG 2013-032) has termed a "special panel" for the following specified improvements:

1. The county courthouse and jails (R.C. 153.36)
2. A county home (R.C. 153.37)
3. A county bridge (R.C. 153.38)
4. A county or district children's home (R.C. 153.39)

These statutes generally require that plans and specifications, drawings, bills of materials and other items must be submitted to these "panels" for approval and then be deposited with the county auditor. Each section noted above is slightly different in its application and membership on each "special panel" is different. These "special panels" are not the contracting authority like a county building commission, but must approve certain aspects of the nature of the building prior to the commission entering into a contract.

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# COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS BOARD 

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Citation R.C. 307.282
Members Nine
Appointing Authorities Six members are appointed by the board of county commissioners and three are appointed by the mayor of the largest municipality in the county.

Term Length Three years.
Membership Requirements Of the commissioners'six appointments, no more than three may be of the same political party. One must be the chief executive of a municipality other than the largest, one must be a township trustee within the county, and one must be one of the following:

- A township trustee
- A chief executive of a municipality
- A representative of a major business trade association in the county
- A representative of a labor organization in the county

Requirements for appointments made by the mayor of the largest municipality in the county are not specified.

Compensation/Expenses Unspecified
Other Features Appointments must be made within 15 days of the
board of commissioners adopting an applicable sales tax levy resolution pursuant to R.C. 5739.026, commonly referred to as the "additional sales and use tax." Under this statutory provision, all or part of this additional sales tax may be shared with other political subdivisions in the county for permanent improvements through this board. If the tax proposed is disapproved by the electors, the board is dissolved immediately upon certification of the election results by the county board of elections.

The members of the board elect one member as chair and one as secretary, each of which will serve for single year terms. The office of chair alternates annually between a member appointed by the board of commissioners and a member appointed by the mayor.

# COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AREA (CRA) HOUSING COUNCIL 

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Citation R.C. 3735.69
Members Seven
Appointing Authorities When the CRA is located within the unincorporated area of the county, each member of the board of county commissioners (not the board as a singular unit) gets one appointment and the county planning commission appoints two members. These five members appoint two final members.

Term Length Three years.
Membership Requirements Unspecified for the members appointed by the commissioners and the planning commission. The two members appointed by those five members must be residents of the political subdivision(s) served by the CRA.

Compensation/Expenses Unspecified

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# BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF A CONVENTION FACILITIES AUTHORITY 

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Citation R.C. 351.04
Members Eleven
Appointing Authorities Six members are appointed by the board of county commissioners, three by the mayor of the largest municipality in the county, and two are appointed by agreement of the mayors of the remaining municipalities in the county. The exact procedure for selecting these two members will be set by the creation resolution.

Term Length Four years, staggered at creation.
Membership Requirements All members must be qualified electors of the county or have their business/place of employment in the county for a period of at least three years preceding the appointment.

Of the six members appointed by the board of commissioners, one must be a representative of the townships in the county, one must be a representative of a major business trade association in the county, and one must be a representative of the convention and visitor's bureau within the county. No more than three of the six members may be of the same political party.

Of the three members appointed by the largest municipality's mayor, no more than two may be of the same political party. Additionally, the legislative authority of the municipality must approve the appointments.

Of the two members appointed by agreement of the other mayors in the county, they may not be members of the same political party.

Compensation/Expenses At the discretion of the board of commissioners, members may receive compensation of an amount set by the board of commissioners. Members are entitled to receive reimbursement for reasonable expenses.

# COUNTY HOUSING ADVISORY BOARD 

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Citation R.C. 176.01
Members Determined by the board of county commissioners, but must meet certain balancing requirements.

Appointing Authorities The board of county commissioners. However, if a municipality with a population greater than 50,000 enters into an agreement to use the services of the advisory board, the legislative authority of the municipality will provide a list of names of potential members and the board of county commissioners must choose at least one to sit on the board.

Term Length Determined by the board of commissioners.
Membership Requirements The board must include balanced representation from the following: institutions that lend money for housing, nonprofit builders and housing developers, for-profit builders and rental housing developers, licensed real estate brokers, other individuals with professional knowledge regarding local housing needs and fair housing issues, residents of areas served by the board who could receive housing assistance, any metropolitan housing authority operating within the area served by the board, the elected officials of the political subdivisions served by the board, other groups or individuals that the authority determines are necessary.

Compensation/Expenses Determined by the board of commissioners.

Other Features Commissioners may designate another existing board,
commission or committee to serve this function, but may have to add members to achieve balanced representation requirements.

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## METROPOLITAN HOUSING AUTHORITY

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Citation R.C. 3735.27
Members Varies based on different scenarios:

- Scenario A: Five or six members, depending on if a certain criterion is met (see Section A under Appointing Authority).
- Scenario B: In the case of a district that contained, as of the 1990 federal census, at least one million residents, the board of county commissioners has no role in the housing authority.
- Scenario C: In the case of a district located in a county that has, according to the most recent federal census, a population greater than 700,000 and less than 900,000, seven members (of which the board of commissioners appoints one).
- Scenario D: In the case of a district located in a county that, as of the 2000 federal census, had a population of at least 400,000 and had no city with a population greater than $30 \%$ of the county's total population, five members (of which the board of commissioners appoints two).

Note 1: When required by federal law, a metropolitan housing authority must have an additional member who must be a resident. This member is appointed by the chief executive officer of the most populous city in the district.

Note 2: In the case of a metropolitan housing authority that was required to appoint two additional members on or after September 29, 2005 pursuant to R.C. 3735.27(E)(1) as enacted by House Bill 95 of the

125th General Assembly (the criteria that determined if a metropolitan housing authority was required to add two additional members if the district had at least 300 assisted housing units and did not have at least one resident of such a housing unit on the board at that time) continues to have these two additional members. These two members must be residents of assisted housing units and one is appointed by the chief executive officer of the most populous city in the district, and one is appointed by the board of commissioners.

## Appointing Authorities Varies based on different scenarios:

- Scenario A: In charter counties in which the most populous city is NOT the city with the largest ratio of housing units owned or managed by the Authority, the probate court appoints one member, the court of common pleas appoints one member, the board of commissioners ${ }^{1}$ appoints one member, the chief executive officer of the city with the largest ratio of housing units owned or managed by the authority to population appoints one member, and the chief executive officer of the most populous city appoints two members.
- In all districts that do not meet the above criteria, the probate court appoints one member, the court of common pleas appoints one member, the board of commissioners appoints one member, and the chief executive officer of the most populous city appoints two members.
- If a district that meets the criteria to have six members at any time ceases to meet that criteria, the authority reverts to five members when the term of the member appointed by the city with the largest ratio of housing units owned or managed by the authority to population expires.
- In the event of a vacancy, the appointing authority which made the initial appointment fills the vacant seat.
- Scenario B: No county involvement.

[^0]- Scenario C: The probate court appoints one member, the court of common pleas appoints one member, the board of commissioners appoints one member, the mayor of the most populous city in the district appoints two (these appointments are subject to approval by the city council), the township association of the county nominates one member and submits the nomination to the board of commissioners who may accept or reject the nominee, and the municipal league of the county nominates one member and submits the nomination to the board of commissioners who may accept or reject the nominee.
- Scenario D: The probate court appoints one member, the court of common pleas appoints one member, the chief executive officer of the most populous city in the district appoints one member, and the board of commissioners appoints two members.

Note 1: As stated above, in the case where federal law requires a resident member be added, this member is appointed by the chief executive officer of the most populous city in the district. Note 2: As stated above, in the case where an authority maintains two additional resident members as required by House Bill 95 of the 125th General Assembly, the chief executive officer of the most populous city appoints one and the board of commissioners appoints one.

Term Length In all scenarios, terms for members are five years long. The only difference between the four scenarios is how member terms are staggered upon creation of the housing authority.

- Scenario A: The member appointed by the probate court serves four years, the member appointed by the court of common pleas serves for three years, the member appointed by the board of commissioners serves two years, one member appointed by the chief executive officer of the most populous city serves one year and the other serves five years.


## - Scenario B: No county involvement.

- Scenario C: The member appointed by the probate court serves four years, the member appointed by the court of common pleas
serves for three years, the member appointed by the board of commissioners serves two years, one member appointed by the chief executive officer of the most populous city serves one year and the other serves five years, the member nominated by the township association is appointed as the nonresident member appointed by the mayor of the largest city, the member nominated by the municipal league is appointed for the same number of years as the resident member of the authority appointed by the mayor of the most populous city in the district.
- Scenario D: The member appointed by the probate court shall serves four years, the member appointed by the court of common pleas serves for three years, the member appointed by the chief executive officer of the most populous city serves two years, one member appointed by the board of commissioners serves one year and the other serves five years.

Membership Requirements Membership requirements vary by scenario.

- Scenario A: No requirements specified.
- Scenario B: No county involvement.
- Scenario C: At least one of the initial appointments by the mayor of the most populous city in the district must be a resident of a dwelling unit owned or managed by the authority. If the authority contains a representative, elected body of all residents in the authority, this body may submit to the mayor a list of at least five residents who are willing and qualified to serve as a member of the authority; in the event such a list is submitted, the mayor must appoint one of the recommendations.
- Scenario D: No requirements specified.

Note 1: As noted above, in the case that a member is required to be appointed by federal law, this member must be a resident of a dwelling unit owned or managed by the authority.

Note 2: As noted above, in the case of an authority that has two addi-
tional members as required by R.C. 3735.27(E)(1) as enacted by House Bill 95 of the 125th General Assembly, the additional member appointed by the chief executive officer of the most populous city in the district must be a resident of a dwelling unit owned or managed by the authority, while the additional member appointed by the board of commissioners may be a resident of a dwelling unit owned or managed by the authority but does not have to be.

Note 3: In all the preceding circumstances where a member is required to be a resident of a dwelling unit owned or managed by the authority, in the event they no longer are a resident of such a dwelling unit, their membership on the authority is terminated immediately and the appointing authority for that seat appoints another resident to serve the unexpired portion of that term.

Compensation/Expenses No compensation but members must be reimbursed for all necessary expenses.

# GOVERNING BOARD OF A NON-PROFIT CORPORATION TO RECEIVE AND SPEND PUBLIC/PRIVATE FUNDS FOR HOUSING 

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Citation R.C. 176.011
Members Unspecified
Appointing Authorities The board of county commissioners, boards of township trustees, or the chief executive of the municipalities that participate.

## Term Length Unspecified

Membership Requirements No more than one-third of the members may be elected officials or appointees of political subdivisions.

Compensation/Expenses Compensationand expense policy is determined by the corporation, with the condition that no more than 15\% of the funds received from a political subdivision may be used for administration and compensation.

Other Features Does not apply to counties with a population of greater than 1 million according to the most recent decennial census at the time of the section's effective date (March 1992). The only county that meets this condition is Cuyahoga County.

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## LAKE FACILITIES AUTHORITY

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Citation R.C. 353.02
Members Varies based on the number of involved counties.
Appointing Authorities Members are specified in the R.C.
Term Length For the duration of their elected terms.
Membership Requirements The county commissioners of the involved counties.

## Compensation/Expenses None

Other Features The county auditor and the county prosecutor of the county with the greatest amount of territory in the watershed are the fiscal officer and legal advisor, respectively, of the lake facilities authority.

The authority will have an advisory council consisting of one appointment from each political subdivision within the territory of the impacted watershed. The method of appointment is determined by the board of directors.

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# LOCAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD 

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Citation R.C. 6301.06 and section 107(b)(2) of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, 29 U.S.C. 3122(b)(2)

Members Determined by the appointing authorities.
Appointing Authorities The chief elected official or officials of the local area.

If the area includes more than one unit of local government, the chief elected officer(s) of the units must agree on the roles of the respective governments, including the division of appointments. If an agreement cannot be reached, the Governor appoints the board.

## Term Length Unspecified

Membership Requirements A majority of members must be representatives of businesses in the area; at least 20\% of the members must be representatives of the workforce in the area; at least one member must represent entities administering education or training activities; at least one member must be a representative of governmental, economical, and community development entities; the appointing authorities may include any other members determined to be appropriate.

Compensation/Expenses No compensation, but members are entitled to actual, reasonable, and necessary expenses.

Other Features May meet via teleconference or interactive video conference, provided certain requirements are met (these requirements are in R.C.6301.06(D)). The majority of provisions governing local workforce
development boards, including the membership requirements and the duties of the board, are enumerated in section 107(b)(2) of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, 29 U.S.C. 3122(b)(2).

# BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF A NEW COMMUNITY AUTHORITY 

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Citation R.C. 349.04
Members Variable
Appointing Authorities The organizational board appoints between three and six citizen members to represent interests of present and future residents and employers, also appoints one member to serve as a representative of local government. The developer of the community authority appoints a number equal to the number of citizen members (between three and six). These are for initial appointments only.

After the initial appointees serve their term, the organizational board adopts a method of selection for ongoing members. It must meet the following requirements:

The appointed citizen members are replaced by elected citizen members according to a schedule established by the organizational board. This is done each time the district gains a proportion equal to

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of the total projected population. This will continue until all appointed citizen members are replaced. The representatives of the developer are generally replaced in the same manner, except the denominator in the formula above is not doubled.

The representative of local government is replaced by an elected member once the district gains $3 / 4$ s of its projected population.

Term Length Two years overlapping, with two citizens and two devel-
oper members serving one-year initial terms.
Membership Requirements Elected members must be qualified electors of the community district, appointed members (including those made after the initial appointments to fill vacancies) do not have to be. Citizen members may not be employees of or have any financial interest in the developer of the area.

Compensation/Expenses Unspecified
Other Features Appointedmembers may be removed for misfeasance, nonfeasance, or malfeasance. Developer-appointed members may be removed by the developer at any time without showing cause. It is not specified if elected members can be removed.

# ORGANIZATION BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR A NEW COMMUNITY DISTRICT 

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Citation R.C. 349.01
Members Variable based on the number of counties involved.
Appointing Authorities Members are specified in the R.C.
Term Length For the duration of their elected terms.
Membership Requirements The board of county commissioners from each county involved.

Compensation/Expenses Unspecified

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# COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION 

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Citation R.C. 713.22
Members Eleven
Appointing Authorities The R.C. specifies that the three members of the board of county commissioners are on the planning commission while the remaining eight members appointed by the board of county commissioners.

Term Length For the members of the board of county commissioners, the duration of their elected terms. For appointed members, three-year terms staggered at creation.

Membership Requirements Varies based on the characteristics of the county.

If a county has two or fewer townships, the board of commissioners appoints eight residents selected at its discretion, unless any city in the county has a population of greater than $50 \%$ of the total county population, in which case at least three of the appointees must be selected from nominations of that city's planning commission;

If the population of any city in the county (other than in the scenario above) exceeds 50\% of the county's population, three members must be appointed from persons nominated by that city's planning commission. Three members must be appointed from the unincorporated territory from persons recommended by the townships of the county. However, if at least one of those townships is a limited home rule township then the board must ensure that one of the three is a person recom-
mended by a limited home rule township. The remaining two appointees are at the discretion of the board of commissioners provided that they are residents of the county, and that one lives in the unincorporated territory and one in the incorporated territory;

If the county has three or more townships and no city has at least 50\% of the county's total population AND contains at least one limited home rule township, one appointee must be a resident of a limited home rule township from among recommendations submitted by a limited home rule township, one a resident of the largest municipality in the county from recommendations by that municipality, and the remaining six are selected at the discretion of the board of commissioners provided they are residents of the county;

If the county has more three or more townships, does not have a city with at least 50\% of the county's total population, and does not contain at least one limited home rule township, the board of commissioners selects all eight at their discretion, provided they are residents of the county.

Compensation/Expenses The county commissioners receive no compensation or expense reimbursement. The commissioners determine if the appointed members will receive compensation and reimbursement for expenses.

Other Features If circumstances arise where a city either surpasses $50 \%$ of the county total population, drops below $50 \%$ of the county total population, a township becomes a limited home rule township when there was not already one, or a township ceases to be a home rule township when it was previously the only one, the board of commissioners may make the necessary changes to the composition of the board by resolution within 30 days of the circumstances change. If not, the changes will be phased in as members' terms expire.

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## INTERSTATE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

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Citation R.C. 713.30
Members Determined by the creation agreement.
Appointing Authorities Determined by the creation agreement.
Term Length Determined by the creation agreement.
Membership Requirements Members may hold other public offices, unless otherwise prohibited by a city or village charter.

Compensation/Expenses No compensation but may be reimbursed for expenses.

Other Features Cannot take effect until the agreement has been reviewed and approved by the attorneys general of the participating states and until approved and signed by the governors of the participating states.

## JOINT PLANNING COUNCIL

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Citation R.C. 713.231
Members Determined by the creation agreement.
Appointing Authorities Determined by the creation agreement.
Term Length Determined by the creation agreement.
Membership Requirements Members may hold other public offices, unless otherwise prohibited by a city or village charter.

Compensation/Expenses Determined by the creation agreement.

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# REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION 

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Citation R.C. 713.21
Members Determined by the creation agreement.
Appointing Authorities Determined by the creation agreement.
Term Length Determined by the creation agreement.
Membership Requirements Determined by the creation agreement.

Compensation/Expenses Determined by the creation agreement, but only for members who do not hold an elected public office.

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# BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF A PORT AUTHORITY 

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Citation R.C. 4582.03 and 4582.27
Members As many as determined necessary by the appointing authority.

Appointing Authorities If the port authority is created by exclusive action of a county, the board of commissioners is the appointing authority. If created by a combination of subdivisions, the number must be agreed upon by the member political subdivisions.

Term Length Four years, staggered at creation.
Membership Requirements A majority must be qualified electors of, or have their businesses or places of employment, in one or more political subdivisions within the area of jurisdiction of the port authority. These conditions must have been met for at least three years before their appointment.

Compensation/Expenses Compensation, if any, is determined by the board itself, and members receive reimbursement for reasonable expenses.

Other Features Appointing body or bodies may at any time remove a director for misfeasance, nonfeasance, or malfeasance.

The board may hold meetings by interactive video or teleconference in according with R.C. 4582.60.

Ohio law provides for two types of port authorities, commonly referred
to as "old" and "new" port authorities. "Old" authorities operate under R.C. 4582.01-4582.20, while "new" authorities function R.C. 4582.214582.59.

# AD HOC MEMBERSHIP ON THE POWER SITING BOARD 

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Citation R.C. 4906.021
Members One
Appointing Authorities The board or boards of county commissioners representing the area affected by the project before the Power Siting Board.

Term Length For the duration of the Power Siting Board process with respect to the given project.

Membership Requirements The president (or designee of) the board of commissioners is the member; if the project involves multiple counties, the representative is chosen by a majority vote of the involved boards of commissioners. In the case of a project involving multiple counties, the selected representative may not utilize a designee.

If president of the board of commissioners in the case of a project in a single county elects to name a designee to the Power Siting Board, the designee must be a resident of the county. Other elected officials may serve as designees.

No individual may serve as an Ad Hoc member if they are party to a lease agreement with or has granted an easement to the developer of a utility facility, holds any other beneficial interest in a utility facility, has an immediate family member who is party to a lease agreement with, or who has granted an easement to, the developer of the utility facility in question, has an immediate family member who holds any beneficial interest in a utility facility, or has an immediate family member who has
intervened in the Power Siting Board proceeding for which the Ad Hoc member is involved.

## Compensation/Expenses Unspecified

Other Features Must be designated within thirty days of the board of commissioners receiving notice that an application, for which an ad hoc member would be included, has been accepted by the Power Siting Board.

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# DISTRICT PUBLIC WORKS INTEGRATING COMMITTEE 

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Citation R.C. 164.04
Members Varies based on the public works district. There are 19 such districts and are organized and consist of counties as follows:

- District One: Cuyahoga County (seven members)
- District Two: Hamilton County (nine members)
- District Three: Franklin County (nine members)
- District Four: Montgomery County (nine members)
- District Five: Defiance, Erie, Fulton, Henry, Ottawa, Paulding, Sandusky, Williams, and Wood counties (26 members)
- District Six: Mahoning and Trumbull counties (nine members)
- District Seven: Ashtabula, Geauga, Lake, and Portage counties (24 members)
- District Eight: Summit County (nine members)
- District Nine: Huron, Lorain, and Medina counties (20 members)
- District Ten: Butler, Clermont, Clinton, and Warren counties (24 members)
- District Eleven: Champaign, Clark, Darke, Greene, Madison, Miami, Preble, and Union counties (24 members)
- District Twelve: Lucas County (nine members)
- District Thirteen: Allen, Auglaize, Hancock, Logan, Mercer, Putnam, Shelby, and Van Wert counties ( 24 members)
- District Fourteen: Carroll, Columbiana, Coshocton, Guernsey, Harrison, Holmes, Jefferson, Tuscarawas counties (24 members)
- District Fifteen: Adams, Brown, Fayette, Gallia, Highland, Jackson, Lawrence, Pike, Ross, Scioto, and Vinton counties (30 members)
- District Sixteen: Ashland, Crawford, Hardin, Marion, Richland, Seneca, Wayne, and Wyandot counties (24 members)
- District Seventeen: Delaware, Fairfield, Knox, Licking, Morrow, and Pickaway counties (20 members)
- District Eighteen: Athens, Belmont, Hocking, Meigs, Monroe, Morgan, Muskingum, Noble, Perry, and Washington counties (28 members)
- District Nineteen: Stark County (nine members)

Appointing Authorities Appointing authorities are generally the board of commissioners, the chief executives of the municipalities, and trustees of townships. Generally, the board(s) of commissioners get between one to three appointments.

Term Length Generally, three years, but in District Six the members appointed by a majority of executive officers of municipal corporations, of a county, and of a majority of townships serve five-year terms.

Membership Requirements Generally, a specified number must have experience in local infrastructure planning and economic development (the number varies by district).

## Compensation/Expenses Unspecified

Other Features For specifics regarding the appointing authority and membership requirements for your district, please refer to R.C. 164.04. Additionally, a map showing the districts is included on the next page.

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# COUNTY BOARD OF RECLAMATION 

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Citation R.C. 6156.01
Members Four
Appointing Authorities Members are specified in the R.C.
Term Length For the duration of their elected terms.
Membership Requirements The board of county commissioners and the county engineer are the members of the board. The president of the board of commissioners serves as the chairperson of the board of reclamation.

Compensation/Expenses No compensation, but are reimbursed for actual expenses.

# JOINT BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR ROAD CHANGE 

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Citation R.C. 5553.27
Members Variable based on the number of counties involved.
Appointing Authorities Members are specified in the R.C.
Term Length Until the completion of the project.
Membership Requirements The boards of county commissioners of the involved counties.

Compensation/Expenses Unspecified

# JOINT BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR ROAD IMPROVEMENTS ALONG, UPON, OR BEYOND COUNTY LINES 

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Citation R.C. 5553.13
Members Variable based on the number of counties involved.
Appointing Authorities Members are specified in the R.C.
Term Length Until the conclusion of the project.
Membership Requirements The boards of commissioners of the involved counties.

Compensation/Expenses Unspecified
Other Features The county with the greatest population keeps a full and accurate record of the proceedings and certifies a copy thereof to each involved county. The joint board appoints one county engineer to provide needed services for the improvement.

# JOINT BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR ROAD IMPROVEMENT BY PETITION 

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Citation R.C. 5555.22
Members Variable based on the number of counties involved.
Appointing Authorities Members are specified in the R.C.
Term Length Until the conclusion of the project.
Membership Requirements The boards of commissioners of the involved counties.

## Compensation/Expenses Unspecified

Other Features A majority of the joint board must include at least one commissioner from each involved county. The joint board will appoint a county engineer of one of the involved counties to make surveys, plans, profiles, cross sections, estimates, and specifications as are necessary. If the joint board is unable to agree upon a county engineer, the director of transportation selects one of the county engineers.

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## BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF A REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY

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Citation R.C. 306.02
Members Determined by the creation resolution.
Appointing Authorities Determined by the creation resolution.
Term Length Three years, staggered at creation.
Membership Requirements Members may not have any direct or indirect interest in any contracts that may come before the regional transit authority.

Compensation/Expenses Determined by the creation resolution, but may not exceed $\$ 50$ for each board and committee meeting attended. If the amount is set annually, compensation cannot exceed $\$ 6,000$ for the board president and $\$ 4,800$ for other members.

Other Features Members may be removed for malfeasance, misfeasance, or nonfeasance.

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## COUNTY TRANSIT BOARD

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Citation R.C. 306.01-.02
Members Seven
Appointing Authorities The board of county commissioners.
Term Length Three years, staggered at creation.
Membership Requirements No more than four of the members maybe of the same political party. No members may have any financial interest with any contract, work, or service of the county.

Compensation/Expenses Determined by the board of county commissioners. If compensation is provided, the commissioners may set the chairperson's salary greater than other members.

Other Features Members can be removed for cause after the individual has been afforded written charges and a public hearing. If the commissioners decide that the board of commissioners will function as the Transit Board in lieu of an appointed transit board, they must appoint an executive director.

# BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF A TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (TID) 

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Citation R.C. 5540.02
Members Either at least five or at least ten.
Appointing Authorities If the county elects to have at least five members, the board of commissioners appoints all five; the Speaker of the House of Representatives also may appoint a non-voting member who may be a member of the House of Representatives.

If the country elects to have at least ten members, the board of commissioners appoints two members; the legislative authority of the most populous municipality appoints three; the legislative authority of the second most populous municipality appoints two; the township trustees of the most populous township in the county appoints two; the county engineer themselves; the legislative authority each township and municipality that is not one of the three listed above and is wholly or partially within the area of the TID appoints one; the regional planning commission for the county appoints a non-voting member; the Speaker of the House of Representatives may appoint a non-voting member who may be a member of the House of Representatives.

## Term Length Two years.

Membership Requirements If the county elects to have at least ten members, then one of each of the appointments made by the board of county commissioners, the largest and second-largest municipalities, and the largest township must be members of the chamber of com-
merce for the respective subdivision.
Compensation/Expenses Unspecified

# WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE 

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Citation R.C. 6301.061
Members Unspecified
Appointing Authorities The board of county commissioners.
Term Length Unspecified
Membership Requirements Unspecified
Compensation/Expenses Unspecified

# COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS 

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Citation R.C. 303.13
Members Five or seven.
Appointing Authorities The board of county commissioners.
Term Length Five years, staggered at creation.
Membership Requirements Members must be residents of unincorporated areas included in the county zoning resolution. No more than two members may be from the same township if the area zoned includes three or more townships.

Compensation/Expenses Compensation and expense policy is at the discretion of the board of commissioners.

Other Features The board of commissioners may appoint two alternative members who must meet the same requirements as regular members.

Members may be removed for nonperformance, misconduct, or other cause, after written charges are filed, a public hearing has been had, and the charges served to the member at least ten days prior to the hearing.

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# COUNTY RURAL ZONING COMMISSION 

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Citation R.C. 303.04
Members Five or seven.
Appointing Authorities The board of county commissioners.
Term Length Five years, staggered at creation.
Membership Requirements Members must be residents of the unincorporated areas included in the county zoning resolution.

Compensation/Expenses Unspecified
Other Features The board of commissioners may appoint two alternative members who must meet the same requirements as established for regular members.

Members may be removed for nonperformance, misconduct, or other cause, after written charges are filed, a public hearing has been had, and the charges served to the member at least ten days prior to the hearing.

# COUNTY BOARD OF REVISION 

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Citation R.C. 5715.02
Members Three
Appointing Authorities Specified by the R.C.
Term Length For the duration of the official's elected term.
Membership Requirements The county treasurer, the county auditor, and a member of the board of county commissioners are the board. Each may appoint an employee from their office to serve in their place for the purpose of hearing complaints related to the value of real property, but the elected officials themselves must take part in any decisions the board may make.

Compensation/Expenses No compensation, but members are reimbursed for traveling expenses and postage and express charges.

Other Features Expenses for the Board of Revision may be paid out of the county's Real Estate Assessment fund.

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# COUNTY INVESTMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE 

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Citation R.C. 135.341
Members Three or Five.
Appointing Authorities Members specified by the R.C.
Term Length For the duration of their elected terms.
Membership Requirements Two county commissioners and the county treasurer. If the board of county commissioners decides that all three commissioners will be on the committee, then the clerk of courts is added to the board in addition to the treasurer.

Compensation/Expenses None.
Other Features The committee must meet every three months to review investment policies and to advise the investing authority (typically, this is the county treasurer). In some limited circumstances, the committee itself serves as the investing authority.

# Jobs, Economic Development, and Infrastructure 

## TAX INCENTIVE REVIEW COUNCIL

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Citation R.C. 5709.85
Members Variable based on the number of entities involved.
Appointing Authorities The board of county commissioners appoints three members, each applicable municipality appoints two members (as selected by the chief executive and approved by the legislative authority), each applicable township appoints two members, each applicable traditional school district and joint vocational school district appoints one member, and the county auditor (or designee) serves on the board.

## Term Length Unspecified

Membership Requirements At least two members must be residents of the municipalities or townships to which the exemption applies.

Compensation/Expenses Unspecified
Other Features The council annually reviews most tax exemptions including enterprise zones, community reinvestment areas, tax increment financing, and properties in agricultural security areas.

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Citation R.C. 5709.883
Members Variable based on the number of entities involved.
Appointing Authorities The board of county commissioners appoints three members, each applicable township appoints two members, each applicable traditional school district and joint vocational school district appoints one member, and the county auditor (or designee) serves on the board. The county auditor (or designee) serves as the chairperson of the council.

Term Length Unspecified
Membership Requirements Unspecified.
Compensation/Expenses Unspecified
Other Features The council annually reviews all agreements that grant property tax exemptions under R.C. 5709.88. Upon the request of the council, the county auditor and legislative authority of the county shall supply the council with any information reasonably necessary for the council to make determinations.

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[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ The Revised Code specifies "the board of commissioners;" however, charter counties do not have a board of commissioners. It is likely that the county executive, in consultation with the county council, makes the appointment.

