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This table summarizes how the latest substitute version of the bill differs from the immediately preceding version. It addresses only the topics on which the two versions differ substantively. It does not list topics on which the two bills are substantively the same.

Previous Version (As Re-referred by House Rules and Reference)	Latest Version (I_135_3084-1)
School bus cameras and civil enforcement	
Authorizes the school bus operator (rather than requires as under current law) to make a report to law enforcement after a driver illegally passes a stopped school bus (<i>R.C. 4511.752(A)</i>).	Retains current law that requires the school bus operator to make the report to law enforcement (<i>R.C. 4511.752(A)</i>).
Authorizes the law enforcement agency (rather than requires as under current law) to conduct an investigation after receiving the operator's report (<i>R.C. 4511.752(C)</i>).	Retains current law that requires the law enforcement agency to conduct an investigation (<i>R.C. 4511.752(C)</i>).

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<p>Establishes procedures for the law enforcement agency to mail a civil notice of violation to the registered owner of a motor vehicle through the civil enforcement system (<i>R.C. 4511.753 and 4511.754</i>).</p> <p>Specifies that the civil penalty is <i>up to \$300</i> (<i>R.C. 4511.753(B)(2)</i>).</p> <p>No provision.</p> <p>Distributes the civil penalties entirely to the entity responsible for operation of the school bus to be used for safety technology initiatives, including towards the school bus violation detection monitoring systems (<i>R.C. 4511.757</i>).</p>	<p>Allows the law enforcement agency to designate an agent (i.e., the school bus violation detection monitoring system company) to mail the civil notice of violation (<i>R.C. 4511.753 and 4511.754</i>).</p> <p>Specifies that the civil penalty <i>is \$300</i> (<i>R.C. 4511.753(B)(2)</i>).</p> <p>Requires the entity responsible for operation of the school bus to ensure that all of the entity's school buses with a regular transportation route are outfitted with the school bus violation detection monitoring system before commencing the civil penalty system (<i>R.C. 4511.752(E)(1)(a) and 4511.76</i>).</p> <p>Distributes the civil penalties as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ \$50 to the School Bus Safety Fund (created by the bill); and ▪ \$250 to the entity responsible for operation of the school bus for the same safety technology initiatives (<i>R.C. 4511.757</i>).
School Bus Safety Fund and Grant Program	
<p>No provision.</p> <p>No provision.</p>	<p>Creates the School Bus Safety Fund in the state treasury, consisting of a portion of the civil penalties collected under the civil enforcement system.</p> <p>Requires the Director of Education and Workforce to administer the fund and use the money in it to make grants to school districts to improve the safety features on school buses and to support efforts to educate the public regarding the laws governing school bus safety.</p>

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No provision.	Requires the Department of Education and Workforce to administer a School Bus Safety Grant Program to assist eligible applicants with the cost of installing recommended safety features on new and existing school buses (<i>R.C. 3327.18 and 3327.19</i>).
School Bus Safety Month	
Designates October as “School Bus Safety Month” (<i>R.C. 5.501</i>).	Designates August as “School Bus Safety Month” (<i>R.C. 5.501</i>).