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## Ohio Revised Code

## Section 306.331 Board of trustees for joint county and municipal authority.

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Notwithstanding section 306.33 of the Revised Code, the board of trustees of any regional transit authority created by one county and two municipal corporations, with the county having a population of at least five hundred thousand according to the most recent federal census, shall be appointed and governed as provided in this section.

The board of trustees of such a regional transit authority shall consist of nine members, six of whom shall be appointed by the board of county commissioners, two of whom shall be appointed by the most populous municipal corporation that is included in the regional transit authority, and one of whom shall be appointed by the second most populous municipal corporation in the county, regardless of whether the second most populous municipal corporation in the county is a member of the regional transit authority. A trustee appointed under this section shall serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority.

The trustees of any authority first appointed under this section shall serve staggered terms. Thereafter each successor shall serve a term of three years, except that any person appointed to fill a vacancy shall be appointed to only the unexpired term. The resolutions or ordinances creating the regional transit authority may determine whether an appointed trustee is eligible for reappointment.

A majority of the board of trustees constitutes a quorum, the affirmative vote of which is necessary for any action taken by the authority. No vacancy in the board shall impair the rights of a quorum to exercise all rights and perform all the duties of the authority.

Each member of the board of trustees, before entering upon the trustee's official duties, shall take and subscribe to an oath or affirmation that the trustee will honestly, faithfully, and impartially perform the duties of office and that the trustee will not be personally interested directly or indirectly in any contract let by the regional transit authority.

After each member of the board has taken the oath as prescribed by this section, the board shall meet



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and organize by electing one of its members as president and another as vice-president, who shall hold their respective offices until the next annual meeting of the board as provided in its bylaws. At each annual meeting thereafter, the board shall elect from its membership a president and a vicepresident who shall serve for a term of one year. The board shall hold regular and special meetings in a time, place, and manner established in its bylaws, provided that all meetings shall be open to the public except executive sessions as set forth in section 122.22 of the Revised Code.

The board shall appoint and fix the compensation of a secretary-treasurer, who shall be the fiscal officer. The secretary-treasurer shall not be a member of the board and shall serve at the pleasure of the board. Each member of the board of trustees is entitled to receive from the regional transit authority reimbursement for reasonable expenses in the performance of the trustee's duties.