Ohio Revised Code
Section 5120.62 Internet access for prisoners.
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The director of rehabilitation and correction shall adopt rules under Chapter 119. of the Revised Code that govern the establishment and operation of a system that provides limited and monitored access to the internet for prisoners solely for a use or purpose approved by the managing officer of that prisoner's institution or by the managing officer's designee. The rules shall include all of the following:

(A) Criteria by which inmates may be screened and approved for access or training involving the internet;

(B) Designation of the authority to approve internet sites for authorized use;

(C) A requirement that only pre-approved sites will be accessible;

(D) A process for the periodic review of the operation of the system, including users of the system and the sites accessed by the system;

(E) Sanctions that must be imposed against prisoners and staff members who violate department rules governing prisoner access to the internet.