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violation of division (A) of section 3309.073 of the Revised Code has occurred, the commission shall either impose a fine under section 3309.99 of the Revised Code or enter a finding that good cause has been shown not to impose the fine. If the commission determines that a violation of division (B) of section 3309.073 of the Revised Code has occurred, the commission shall impose the fine described in section 3309.99 of the Revised Code, refer the matter to the appropriate prosecutor, or enter a finding that good cause has been shown to not impose a fine or refer the matter to the appropriate prosecutor.

Sec. 3309.075. (A) The school employees retirement board, after consultation with the secretary of state, shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. section 111.15 of the Revised Code, governing all of the following:

(1) The administration of elections of members of the board under section 3309.07 of the Revised Code and elections held under section 3309.06 of the Revised Code to fill vacancies on the board;

(2) Nominating petitions for the elections;

(3) Certification of the validity of nominating petitions for the elections;

(4) Certification of the results of the elections.

(B) The board may contract with the secretary of state or an independent firm to administer the elections, certify the validity of nominating petitions, and certify the results of the elections. The secretary of state and the independent firm shall perform these services in accordance with the rules adopted under division (A) of this section. Notwithstanding section 3309.22 of the Revised Code, the board shall provide information necessary for the secretary of state or the independent firm to certify the election. If the board contracts with an independent firm to administer an election, the secretary of state may audit the election.

Sec. 3309.10. (A) The members No member of the school employees retirement board shall be subject to disciplinary action by an employer for absence from the member's regular employment for service to the board.

<u>Members</u> of the school employees retirement board shall serve without compensation from the retirement system, but they an employer shall be reimbursed from the expense fund for any compensation paid to an employee member of the board or a retirant member employed by a public employer in accordance with section 3309.341 of the Revised Code for any loss of compensation they may suffer through serving on service to the board, provided, that the regular employee contribution shall be withheld from any such reimbursements to cover loss of compensation and credited to the member's savings account, or the board member or former board

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