



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

Bill Analysis

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(As Passed by the House)

Reps. Perales, Grossman, Rosenberger, Fedor, Landis, Baker, Rogers, Sheehy, Blair, Stebelton, Foley, Butler, Barnes, Burkley, Driehaus, C. Hagan, Henne, Williams, R. Adams, Amstutz, Anielski, Antonio, Beck, Bishoff, Blessing, Boose, Boyce, Brown, Buchy, Carney, Celebrezze, Clyde, Conditt, Derickson, DeVitis, Dovilla, Duffey, Gerberry, Gonzales, Green, Hackett, Hayes, Huffman, Kunze, Letson, Lundy, McClain, McGregor, Milkovich, O'Brien, Patterson, Pelanda, Pillich, Ramos, Retherford, Roegner, Romanchuk, Ruhl, Scherer, Schuring, Slesnick, Strahorn, Terhar, Thompson, Winburn, Young, Batchelder

BILL SUMMARY

- Creates a permanent Aerospace and Technology Study Committee to study and develop strategies to promote, encourage communication and resource sharing, and foster research and development in the aerospace and technology industry.
- Requires that the Committee be composed of 13 members: three from the Senate, three from the House of Representatives, one appointed by the Governor, and six appointed by the Committee's legislative members to represent the aerospace and technology industry, the military, or academia.
- Requires the Committee to compile an annual report of its activities, findings, and recommendations, and furnish that report to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

Overview

The bill creates the Aerospace and Technology Study Committee to study and develop comprehensive strategies to (1) promote the aerospace and technology industry throughout Ohio, including through the commercialization of aerospace and technology products and ideas, (2) encourage communication and resource-sharing among individuals and organizations involved in the aerospace and technology

industry, (3) promote research and development in the aerospace and technology industry, including research and development of unmanned aerial vehicles, and (4) provide assistance related to military base realignment and closure. The Committee is charged with compiling an annual report of its activities, findings, and recommendations, and furnishing the report to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by July 1 of each year beginning in 2014.¹

Committee membership

The Committee is composed of 13 members: three from the Senate; three from the House of Representatives; and seven general members representing the aerospace and technology industry, the military, or academia. The bill requires the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives to appoint the initial Senate and House members of the Committee, within 30 days after the bill's effective date. In subsequent General Assemblies, the legislative members of the Committee are appointed by the President and the Speaker within ten days after the convening of the first regular session. No more than two of the House members and two of the Senate members may be members of the same political party.

One of the seven general members is appointed by the Governor. Generally, the bill requires the Governor to appoint this member to the Committee within ten days after the legislative members are appointed by the President and Speaker.

The six remaining general members of the Committee is appointed by the legislative members of the Committee. The bill requires that each of these members be appointed to represent one of the six geographic regions of the state corresponding with the six regional economic development agencies prescribed by JobsOhio in conjunction with the Development Services Agency. The initial appointments are required to be made within 30 days after the initial appointment of the legislative members of the Committee. Thereafter, the appointment of these six general members is required within ten days after the legislative members of the Committee are appointed at the beginning of each General Assembly.

The term of the Committee members begins on the date of appointment and ends on December 31 of the following year. The bill requires that vacancies on the Committee be filled in the same manner as the original appointment.²

¹ R.C. 122.98(B) and (C).

² R.C. 122.98(A) and Section 2.



Committee leadership

The bill requires the Committee to elect a co-chairperson from among the House members and a co-chairperson from among the Senate members of the Committee. Each co-chairperson must be from the majority political party in the co-chairperson's chamber.³

HISTORY

ACTION	DATE
Introduced	10-10-13
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³ R.C. 122.98(A).

