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State Rep. Perales Announces Public Appointees to the OAATC

COLUMBUS—State Representative Rick Perales (R-Beavercreek) today announced the public members appointed to the Ohio Aerospace and Technology Committee (OAATC), which began holding meetings in early December.

The Ohio Aerospace and Aviation Technology Committee, created with the passage of House Bill 292, joins together legislators and various members of the aerospace and aviation community, including military representatives, academic experts, and industry leaders with diverse geographical backgrounds to develop focused policies for enhancing the industry in Ohio.

By law, the committee is required to be composed of three legislators from the Senate, three legislators from the House, one member appointed by the Governor and 14 individuals appointed by the committee's legislative members to offer expert recommendations.

The legislative members serving on the committee are as follows:

Representative Rick Perales (R-Beavercreek) – Chair
Representative Nan Baker (R-Westlake)
Representative Sean O'Brien (D-Bazetta)
Senator Chris Widener (R-Springfield)
Senator Bill Beagle (R-Tipp City)
Senator Joe Schiavoni (D-Boardman)

Joining the legislators are the newly appointed public members. They are as follows:

Terrance Slaybaugh
Roderick Munn
David Williams
Mark Brown
William Jabour
Paul Orkwis
Vincent Russo
Robert Tanner
Tony Bailey
Mike Heil

Maureen McFarland
Susan Louscher
Jeffery Rolf
Ronald Shroder
John Leland (Governor Kasich's appointment)

"After months of discussion and a careful selection process, I believe we have chosen a group of individuals who will be able to offer excellent insight into the aerospace and aviation industry," said Rep. Perales, who chairs the committee and also sponsored House Bill 292. "The committee will ensure that we are utilizing the right resources in Ohio and that we are positioning the state to capitalize on the upcoming aerospace and aviation opportunities. I look forward to the work that will be achieved and believe we have the best people for the job."

The committee will compile an annual report of their findings and recommendations, which will be provided to the Governor, Speaker of the House and President of the Senate.

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