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BILL SUMMARY

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CONTENT AND OPERATION

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The Council must issue an annual report containing its recommendations for statewide policy changes and updates. A copy of the report must be sent to the Governor, the Secretary of State, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House, the Director of Transportation, the Director of Public Safety, the Superintendent of Insurance, and the Director of Commerce. After issuing the initial report, the Council must continue to meet and recommend changes and updates to state policy on at least an annual basis.1

¹ R.C. 4501.51(A) and (B).

Membership

The Council consists of the following members:

- --Three members who are leaders in business, policy, or research in transportation technology (one appointed by the Governor, one appointed by the Speaker, and one appointed by the House Minority Leader);
- --One member who represents local government interests (appointed by the Governor);
- --One member who represents the insurance industry (appointed by the Governor);
- --Two members who represent labor unions (one appointed by the Governor and one appointed by the President of the Senate);
 - --The Secretary of State or the Secretary's designee;
- --Two members of the Senate who each represent a different party (appointed by the President of the Senate);
- --Two members of the House who each represent a different party (appointed by the Speaker of the House).

Nonlegislative members are appointed to staggered three-year terms. Legislative members must be appointed within 30 days of the commencement of each legislative session and serve until the expiration of that session. All legislative members are nonvoting ex officio members of the Council. During its first meeting, the Council must elect a chairperson or co-chairpersons.²

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