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Primary Sponsors: Reps. T. Hall and Synenberg

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SUMMARY

- Creates the Ohio-Israel Trade and Innovation Partnership.

DETAILED ANALYSIS

Ohio-Israel Trade and Innovation Partnership

The bill creates the Ohio-Israel Trade and Innovation Partnership to study potential means of advancing, as between Ohio and Israel, trade, investment, policy issues, business and academic exchanges, economic support, infrastructure, industry, and other issues as determined by the Partnership, as well as multilateral partnerships between Ohio, Israel, and other nations.

The Partnership is made up of 17 members to be appointed within 90 days of the bill's effective date:

- Six members of the General Assembly with certain knowledge or interest in Israeli affairs as follows:
  - Three members of the House of Representatives, chosen by the Speaker of the House (two of the majority party and one of the minority);
  - Three members of the Senate, chosen by the Senate President (two of the majority party and one of the minority).
- Eight members appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate, including members that represent the following:

* This analysis was prepared before the report of the House Development Committee appeared in the House Journal. Note that the legislative history may be incomplete.

- A state institution of higher education, the Ohio Chamber of Commerce, Ohio Jewish Communities, JobsOhio and two regional JobsOhio affiliates, and Ohio's business community.

- Three members ex officio: the Chancellor of Higher Education, Director of Development, and Lieutenant Governor.

Legislative members serve terms of two years or for the remainder of the member's legislative term, whichever is less. Members appointed by the Governor serve terms of four years. Any vacancy is filled in the same manner as the original appointment.

Members serve without compensation but can be reimbursed for expenses. The Partnership must elect a chairperson from among its members. A majority of the members constitutes a quorum.

Under the bill, the Partnership must meet and hold hearings at places it designates throughout Ohio.

Not later than 15 months after the bill's effective date, and annually thereafter, the Partnership is required to submit a report on its activities.[1]

HISTORY

Action	Date
Introduced	03-19-25
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[1] R.C. 122.1712.