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BILL SUMMARY

Establishes the Governing Board of the Ohio Aviation Hall of Fame and Learning Center for purposes of establishing the Hall and inducting persons into it.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

Ohio Aviation Hall of Fame and Learning Center Governing Board

The bill requires the Governor to make appointments to a nine-member Governing Board for an Ohio Aviation Hall of Fame and Learning Center. Governing Board members must have a demonstrated interest in Ohio aviation history. Under the bill, the Governing Board is permanent in nature, and not subject to Sunset Review Law.2

Duties of the Governing Board

The bill requires the Governing Board to do all of the following:³

(1) Commission a business plan for the establishment and implementation of the Ohio Aviation Hall of Fame and Learning Center;

² R.C. 4561.02(E); R.C. 101.82 through 101.87, not in the bill.

¹ R.C. 4561.02(A).

³ R.C. 4561.02(C).

- (2) Select a site for the Ohio Aviation Hall of Fame and Learning Center at the location of the "Triumph of Flight Monument." If that Monument's construction has not begun by January 1, 2022, the Governing Board can select another temporary or permanent location.
- (3) Conduct an annual induction ceremony of not more than five persons per year at an Ohio location selected by the Governing Board. The Governing Board may induct only Ohio residents affiliated with the aviation or aerospace industry.

Under the bill, the Governing Board must elect a chairperson from its membership and must meet at least four times per year. The Governing Board must keep a record of its proceedings, which must be open to the public for inspection. A written notice of the time and place of each meeting must be sent to each member. A majority of the members constitutes a quorum.⁵

Board appointments

Of the nine Governing Board members, the Governor must appoint one member to represent one major political party and another member to represent the other major political party. The Governor must make initial appointments not later than January 1, 2018. The bill establishes staggered terms in the following manner: of the initial appointments, three must be for a term ending January 1, 2019, three for a term ending January 1, 2020, and three for a term ending January 1, 2021. All subsequent terms must be for three years and end on the same day of the same month as the term before it. Each member must hold office from the date of appointment until the end of that term. Members may be reappointed, but cannot serve more than two total terms. Vacancies are to be filled in the manner provided for original appointments. Any member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring before a term's expiration date must hold office for the remainder of that term. A member must continue in office after the expiration date of the member's term until the member's successor takes office or until 60 days has elapsed, whichever occurs first. All members serve without compensation.⁶

Ohio Aviation Hall of Fame and Learning Center Fund

The bill creates, in the state treasury, the Ohio Aviation Hall of Fame and Learning Center Fund, to consist of donations of money, grants, and money

⁴ The monument to Orville and Wilbur Wright is tentatively planned for location on the southwest corner of the intersection of I-70 and I-75, a few miles north of Dayton, Ohio. *The Wright Image Group*, http://www.wrightmonument.org/about_us.aspx (accessed on May 2, 2017).

⁵ R.C. 4561.02(B).

⁶ R.C. 4561.02(B).

appropriated to it by the General Assembly. The Governing Board must use money in the Fund for Governing Board expenses and for Ohio Aviation Hall of Fame and Learning Center purposes. The bill specifies that investment earnings of the Fund must be credited to it. Furthermore, the bill requires the Treasurer of State to disburse money from the Fund on order of the Governing Board.⁷

Staff services

Under the bill, the Wright Image Group, a nonprofit corporation that is working to establish the Triumph of Flight Monument, may provide any necessary staff or services required by the Governing Board in the performance of its duties.⁸

HISTORY		
ACTION	DATE	
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⁷ R.C. 4561.02(F).

⁸ R.C. 4561.02(D).