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A BILL

To enact section 4501.51 of the Revised Code to 1
create the Ohio Council on Transportation 2
Technology to make recommendations regarding 3
state policies related to autonomous technology. 4

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That section 4501.51 of the Revised Code be 5
enacted to read as follows: 6

Sec. 4501.51. (A) (1) There is hereby created the Ohio 7
council on transportation technology consisting of the following 8
members: 9

(a) Three members, one appointed by the governor, one 10
appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, and 11
one appointed by the minority leader of the house of 12
representatives, all of whom are leaders in business, policy, or 13
research in transportation technology; 14

(b) One member appointed by the governor who represents 15
local government interests; 16

- (c) One member appointed by the governor who represents the insurance industry; 17
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- (d) Two members, one appointed by the governor and one appointed by the president of the senate, who represent labor unions; 19
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- (e) The secretary of state or the secretary of state's designee; 22
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- (f) Two members of the senate appointed by the president of the senate, each representing a different party; 24
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- (g) Two members of the house of representatives appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, each representing a different party. 26
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- (2) The two members of the senate and the two members of the house of representatives shall be nonvoting ex officio members. 29
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- (3) During its first meeting, the council shall select from among its members a chairperson or co-chairpersons. The governor shall schedule the first meeting of the council and the chairperson or co-chairpersons shall schedule all subsequent meetings. 32
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- (4) Of the initial members appointed by the governor, two shall be appointed to terms of two years, and two shall be appointed to terms of three years. Thereafter, all members appointed by the governor shall be appointed to terms of three years. 37
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- (5) The initial members appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives and the minority leader of the house of representatives under division (A) (1) (a) of this section shall 42
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be appointed to terms of three years. The initial member 45
appointed by the president of the senate under division (A) (1) 46
(d) of this section shall be appointed to a term of two years. 47
Thereafter, all members appointed under divisions (A) (1) (a) and 48
(d) of this section shall be appointed to terms of three years. 49

(6) All members appointed by the president of the senate 50
or the speaker of the house of representatives under divisions 51
(A) (1) (f) and (g) of this section shall be appointed within 52
thirty days after the commencement of the first regular session 53
of each general assembly, and shall serve until the expiration 54
of the session of the general assembly during which they were 55
appointed. All members may be reappointed. 56

(7) All initial appointments to the council by the 57
governor, the speaker of the house of representatives and the 58
minority leader of the house of representatives under division 59
(A) (1) (a) of this section, and the president of the senate under 60
division (A) (1) (d) of this section shall be made not later than 61
ninety days after the effective date of this section. Members 62
serve at the pleasure of the member's appointing authority and 63
may be removed only by that authority. Vacancies shall be filled 64
in the same manner provided for original appointments. 65

(8) The members of the council shall serve without 66
compensation. 67

(B) (1) The council shall examine and evaluate methods and 68
changes in state policy that will ensure that the state is the 69
world leader in autonomous, driverless, and connected vehicle 70
technology. 71

(2) Not later than one year after the effective date of 72
this section, the council shall issue a report containing its 73

recommendations for statewide policy changes and updates. The 74
council shall send a copy of the report to the governor, the 75
secretary of state, the president of the senate, the speaker of 76
the house of representatives, the director of transportation, 77
the director of public safety, the superintendent of insurance, 78
and the director of commerce. 79

(3) After the issuance of its initial report under 80
division (B) (2) of this section, the council shall continue to 81
meet and recommend changes and updates to state policy in 82
accordance with this division on at least an annual basis, or 83
more frequently, at its discretion. The council shall issue a 84
report regarding recommendations and changes to state policy 85
made by the council and shall distribute copies of the report in 86
the manner described in division (B) (2) of this section. 87