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Chair Baldrige, Vice Chair McClain, Ranking Member Sheehy, and members of the House Transportation and Public Safety Committee, thank you for the opportunity to provide sponsor testimony on House Bill 292 along with my joint sponsor, Representative Sobecki.

Electric vehicles are poised to take over the automobile world, and it is in our best interest as legislators to learn as much as we can about this imminent overhaul of a key industry in our state. To that end, House Bill 292 establishes the Electric Vehicle Commission. This Commission will enable better-informed policy, resulting in greater innovation and job growth for Ohio.

House Bill 292 also creates a temporary sales tax exemption for manufacturing parts specific to electric vehicles. This exemption would end on December 31st, 2026. This will encourage manufacturers to invest in Ohio while the newly established Electric Vehicle Commission is studying how best to facilitate production growth.

It is our belief that this bill will result in more jobs and faster innovation for Ohio. Thank you again for the opportunity to testify, and we welcome any questions you may have at this time.