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## **Ohio Chamber PAC Endorses 75 Candidates for General Assembly**

**COLUMBUS, OH** – Today the Ohio Chamber of Commerce Political Action Committee (OCCPAC) released its list of Ohio General Assembly candidates for the 2018 General Election. The list includes 75 candidates running in November. Of those candidates, 64 are running for seats in the Ohio House of Representatives and 11 are running for seats in the Ohio Senate.

The full slate of endorsed candidates is attached and also available [here](#).

“Our endorsed candidates reflect the mission of the Ohio Chamber of Commerce,” said Director of Political Programs Rich Thompson. “These candidates believe in the free enterprise and economic competitiveness that benefits all Ohioans.”

In order to select endorsed candidates, OCCPAC utilizes a member-driven approach. Several criteria are used to evaluate each race. For incumbents, the Ohio Chamber’s Free Enterprise Index, which was released last week, is used as the leading indicator of a candidate’s commitment to improving Ohio’s business climate. Other criteria applying to both incumbents and new candidates includes a candidate questionnaire, personal meetings with candidates and input from members.

“Electing pro-business candidates to the General Assembly is critically important and we will be working to ensure their success come November,” said Thompson. “We will be encouraging our members to get to know these candidates and support them in their races.”

The Ohio Chamber of Commerce is a champion for Ohio businesses so that our state enjoys economic growth and prosperity. With over 8,000 members, we have been Ohio’s business advocate since 1893.

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