

State Representative Timothy J. DeGeeter

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Rep. Timothy J. DeGeeter Appointed Chair of the Criminal Justice Committee

COLUMBUS- Speaker Armond Budish appointed Timothy J. DeGeeter (D-Parma) Chair of the Criminal Justice Committee for the remainder of the 128th General Assembly. Representative DeGeeter brings an extensive level of experience to the leadership role, having served as ranking member of the committee in both the 126th and 127th General Assemblies.

Representative DeGeeter will step down from his role as Chairman of the Public Utilities Committee to fill the vacant spot left open by former Chairman Tyrone Yates who was appointed Municipal Court Judge in Hamilton County. "While I was disappointed to step down as the Chairman of the Public Utilities Committee, I am looking forward to fulfilling my new role as Chairman of the Criminal Justice Committee and am ready to take on the new responsibilities and challenges that it presents" said Rep. DeGeeter.

"I would like to thank Representative DeGeeter for his leadership as Chair of the Public Utilities Committee," Speaker Budish said. "He has displayed remarkable dedication in his role with the recent passage of House Bill 276, the Telecom Modernization Act, which was heard in the Public Utilities Committee. I am confident this experience along with his expertise in criminal justice issues will serve him well in his new capacity as Chair of the Criminal Justice Committee."

"I am honored and delighted to serve as Chair of the Criminal Justice Committee, said Rep. DeGeeter. "I look forward to working with Governor Strickland and my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to address significant criminal justice policy issues in Ohio."

In addition to being appointed Chair of the Criminal Justice Committee for the 128th General Assembly, he serves as a member on four committees: Economic Development; Faith-Based Initiatives; Public Utilities, and Rules and Reference. The Rules and Reference Committee decides which standing committee will receive a bill for further consideration.

Rep. DeGeeter is currently serving his third term with the House. He has served as ranking member of the Criminal Justice Committee in the 126th and 127th General Assemblies.