

TO:	The Honorable Members of the House Transportation Committee
FROM:	Kevin Sunday, Director, Government Affairs
DATE:	June 8, 2022
RE:	Support the Safe and Innovative Testing and Deployment of Autonomous Vehicle Technology, HB 2398

On behalf of the Pennsylvania Chamber of Business and Industry, I encourage you to vote yes on **HB 2398**, which establishes a regulatory framework for the testing and deployment of automated vehicle technology.

Pennsylvania has become a hub for tech investment and a leader in this sector, and continued growth and investment into automation of the transportation sector will yield substantial economic growth for the state, in addition to providing greater efficiencies to the logistics sector, decreased traffic congestion, and improved highway safety.

More than a dozen other states have already legislated a pathway for the testing and deployment of this innovative technology, which promises to yield substantial economic, safety and efficiency increases provided there is a statutory path to testing and use. The continued success of our state's economy depends on its ability to remain competitive in both legacy and emerging industries.

We urge a yes vote on HB 2398. For any questions or further discussion, please contact Kevin Sunday, Director of Government Affairs, at <u>ksunday@pachamber.org</u> or 717-645-2071.