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Texas General Aviation Caucus Meets To Discuss Importance Of GA Across State

Recently, Texas state officials met for the first time as part of the Texas General Aviation Caucus to discuss the importance of general aviation to communities across the state. Caucus Chairman Representative John Kuempel (R-Seguin) pointed out that general aviation provides over \$15 billion in economic impacts to Texas and employs more than 56,000 people. "It is an industry we need to protect and expand," he stated.

The bi-partisan caucus has nearly 20 members, which include state representatives and senators from across the state. State Senator Troy Fraser (R-District 24) was elected Vice Chair of the caucus along with Representative John Frullo (R-Lubbock) and Representative Ralph Sheffield (R-Temple) who will hold leadership roles.

The caucus heard remarks from Dave Fulton, Director of the Aviation Division for the state of Texas, and John White, President of Texans for General Aviation, who highlighted that general aviation ties state communities together and provides economic benefits and quality of life benefits with "higher paying jobs, life flight, fire fighting capabilities and other services."

To read more about the caucus' first meeting and for a list of members who attended, [click here](#).