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BAUER ANNOUNCES HOUSE COMMITTEE CHAIRS

INDIANAPOLIS – Indiana House Speaker B. Patrick Bauer (D-South Bend) today revealed the names of the representatives who will be chairing the 21 House committees during the 2003 session of the Indiana General Assembly.

“The representatives who will be serving as committee chairs provide many years of experience as lawmakers, and I will be relying upon their expertise in moving critical legislation through the 2003 session,” Bauer said. “I am grateful that they have agreed to take on the challenges of handling these committees.”

The list includes three new committees. Appointments and Claims will handle personnel issues and review lawsuits that have been filed against the state. The Interstate and International Cooperation and the Technology, Research and Development Committees will address issues that Bauer said have gained increased importance in recent times.

“Both committees will handle agendas that reflect Indiana’s role in a changing world economy,” Bauer said. “As we examine ways to improve our economic outlook and recover from the national recession, it is imperative that we consider solutions that emphasize relations with other states and countries and that we have the opportunity to take full advantage of the technological breakthroughs that help create good-paying jobs for Hoosiers.”

Leading the committees will be:

AGRICULTURE, NATURAL RESOURCES AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT – State Rep. Bob Bischoff (D-Lawrenceburg).

APPOINTMENTS AND CLAIMS – State Rep. Earl Harris (D-East Chicago).

COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – State Rep. Dan Stevenson (D-Highland).

COURTS AND CRIMINAL CODE – State Rep. Jonathan Weinzapfel (D-Evansville).

EDUCATION – State Rep. Greg Porter (D-Indianapolis).

ELECTIONS – State Rep. Ed Mahern (D-Indianapolis).

ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS – State Rep. Jim Bottorff (D-Jeffersonville).

ETHICS – State Rep. Paul Robertson (D-Depauw).

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS – State Rep. Jeb Bardon (D-Indianapolis).

HUMAN AFFAIRS – State Rep. Vanessa Summers (D-Indianapolis).

INSURANCE, CORPORATIONS AND SMALL BUSINESS – State Rep. Craig Fry (D-Mishawaka).

INTERSTATE AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION – State Rep. Tom Kromkowski (D-South Bend).

JUDICIARY – State Rep. Linda Lawson (D-Hammond).

LABOR – State Rep. Ron Liggett (D-Redkey).

LOCAL GOVERNMENT – State Rep. Win Moses (D-Fort Wayne).

PUBLIC HEALTH – State Rep. Charlie Brown (D-Gary).

PUBLIC POLICY, ETHICS AND VETERANS AFFAIRS – State Rep. Markt Lytle (D-Madison).

ROADS AND TRANSPORTATION – State Rep. Scott Reske (D-Pendleton).

RULES AND LEGISLATIVE PROCEDURES – State Rep. Scott Pelath (D-Michigan City).

TECHNOLOGY, RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT – State Rep. Brian Hasler (D-Evansville).

WAYS AND MEANS – State Rep. Bill Crawford (D-Indianapolis).