



Catholic Conference of Ohio

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Good afternoon Chairman Oelslager, Vice Chair Manning, Ranking Member Skindell and Committee Members. My name is Larry Keough, and I am an associate director at the Catholic Conference of Ohio, representing Catholic schools and Catholic cemeteries as a legislative advocate.

We participated in discussions of the Ohio Cemetery Law Task Force and were pleased with the recommendations. One of our particular areas of interest is grant programs for all registered cemeteries, except for profit cemeteries.

We appreciate Rep. Stein's efforts to include this grant language in HB 168. In addition, we are comfortable with the Division of Real Estate within the Department of Commerce awarding grants in accordance with the OCDRC.

We wish to publicly thank the Division of Real Estate and the Task Force for their efforts and for Rep. Stein sponsoring this legislation.

Thank you.