



The Ohio Senate Insurance and Financial Institutions Committee  
Senator Jay Hottinger, Chair  
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Proponent Testimony of Lukas Ruecker, President of EyeMed Vision Care

Chairman Hottinger and Members of the Ohio Senate Insurance and Financial Institutions Committee, thank you for the opportunity to testify before you today. My name is Lukas Ruecker, I am President of EyeMed Vision Care. EyeMed Vision Care is based in Mason Ohio, and our company is very pleased to support H.B. 156.

Our company is proud to call Ohio home, and we work hard through our optical retail stores and local laboratories to provide the highest-quality eye wear to consumers here at home and throughout the nation. Together, EyeMed and Luxottica employ over 500 people both in Mason and across Ohio, and we work with employers who are committed to providing vision benefits to over 1.4 million Ohioans.

House Bill 156 allows our company to maintain an eye care provider network where consumers can access our products and know all of their options for eye care. We believe this legislation will help consumers continue to make the best choices for their families. EyeMed Vision Care is appreciative of the deliberate efforts by the General Assembly to create this legislation. We urge the Ohio Senate to protect the rights of Ohio consumers and pass House Bill 156.

I would be pleased to take any questions from the Committee.