



House Bill 388
Testimony of Dr. Ryan Squier
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Co- Chairmen Oelslager and Callender, Vice Chairman Scherer, Ranking Member Cera and members of the House Finance Committee, Ohio ACEP would like to thank this committee for their diligent consideration of the important topic of surprise medical bills. This is an issue that Ohio ACEP and many other groups have been working on for years now. Protecting patients is important to everyone, but it was also important to strike a balance and not tip the scales to favor insurance companies and drive physicians out of practice.

Patients are most protected when the healthcare safety net is strong. The provisions of HB 388 before you today have come a long way in addressing the concerns we have raised before this committee. Clearly, our message was received, and we appreciate the changes in the latest substitute bill. We thank the committee, the bill sponsor, and House leaders for their tireless work.

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