



**County Treasurers Association of Ohio
House Ways and Means Committee
Written Proponent Testimony
HB 197**

Vice Chair Lipps, Ranking Member Rogers and Members of the House Ways and Means Committee, thank you for the opportunity to share the County Treasurers Association of Ohio (CTAO)'s support for House Bill 197, legislation making technical and corrective changes to tax sections of the Ohio Revised Code.

The CTAO appreciates the proactive outreach it received from the sponsors of this bill with respect to sections of the legislation that would impact county treasurers. Our members support the goal of clarity and uniformity when it comes to the Ohio Revised Code, especially changes in the bill that create consistency in interest periods for tax certificates, which are sold by county treasurers. The nature of our role requires a heavy dependence on statutory guidance and authority. Thus, we commend the sponsors on their "clean up" bill that clarifies law without making substantive language changes.

Again, the CTAO supports the intent behind HB 197 and the legislation in its current form, and recommends that committee members support the bill.