

OHIO SENATE
Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources Minutes
May 22, 2019
133rd General Assembly

The Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee was called to order pursuant to the meeting notice at approximately 1:30 p.m. in the South Hearing Room of the Statehouse.

Attendance was taken, a quorum was not present. The chair proceeded to hear testimony.

Chairman Hoagland called up SB 2 for its second hearing, proponent testimony. The following testimony was provided:

Tony Seegers, Ohio Farm Bureau Federation, Proponent Testimony, (Written testimony provided).

After Mr. Seegers' testimony, a quorum was present. The Chair went back to the minutes, and the minutes of the previous meeting were approved without objection, correction, or addition.

Chairman Hoagland continued with testimony.

Bob Short, Ohio Federation of Soil and Water Conservation Districts, Proponent Testimony, (Written Testimony Provided)

Matt Fisher, Lake Erie Foundation, Proponent Testimony, (Written Testimony Provided)

Tracy Freeman, The Nature Conservancy, Proponent Testimony, (Written Testimony Provided)

Scott Higgins, Ohio Dairy Producers Association, Proponent Testimony, (Written Testimony Provided)

Scott Metzger/John Miller, Ohio Soybean Association and Ohio Corn and Wheat Grower Association, Proponent Testimony, (Written Testimony Only)

Adam Schwiebert, County Commissioners Association of Ohio, Proponent Testimony, (Written Testimony Only)

Becca Martin, Cargill, Proponent Testimony, (Written Testimony Only)

Pete Bucher, Ohio Environmental Council Action Fund, Proponent Testimony, (Written Testimony Provided)

Chairman Hoagland called up House Bill 59 for its second hearing, Proponent Testimony. The following testimony was provided:

Nancy Linz, Garden Club of America, Proponent Testimony, (Written Testimony Provided)

William Hendricks, Ohio Nursery and Landscape Association, Proponent Testimony, (Written Testimony Only)

Tracy Freeman, The Nature Conservancy in Ohio, Proponent Testimony, (Written Testimony Provided)

Cassie Kelly, Ohio Environmental Council Action Fund, Proponent Testimony, (Written Testimony Provided)

Hope Taft, resident of Spring Valley, Ohio, Proponent Testimony, (Written Testimony Only)

Cory Christopher, Cincinnati Nature Center, Proponent Testimony, (Written Testimony Only)

Lauren Miller, Birchwood School of Hawken, Proponent Testimony, (Written Testimony Only)

Deanna Stearns, Garden Club of Ohio, Inc., Proponent Testimony, (Written Testimony Only)

Debra L. Knapke, The Garden Sage LLC., Proponent Testimony, (Written Testimony Only)

Chairman Hoagland directed members of the committee to review their IPADS for several letters of support submitted for House Bill 59 as well.

With no further business to come before the Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee, Chairman Hoagland adjourned the meeting at approximately 2:25 pm.

Frank Hoagland, Chair