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Witness Form

Today's Date: 09/24/2019

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Testifying on Bill Number: H.B. No. 189

Testimony: Verbal Written Both

Testifying As: Proponent Opponent Interested Party

Are you a Registered Lobbyist? Yes No

Special Requests: Requesting slight modification to the Bill's language to include NACE International as a resource.

Written testimony is a public record and may be posted on the Ohio Senate's website

September 24, 2019
Statement of: Steve Hickey
Regarding H.B No. 189

Before I begin, let me express my appreciation to the Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee that H.B No. 189 has come to the forefront, as related to safety in the amusement park industry.

My name is Steve Hickey and I reside at 3480 Saddlecreek Dr. Batavia, OH 45103. I am a coating/painting professional and have been in the amusement park industry for over 30 years. Having started my coating/painting career at Kings Island in West Chester Ohio, and continuing to present day, this is of special interest to me.

Over the last 30 plus years I have overseen repaints of amusement rides, namely roller coasters, not only across Ohio, but across the entire United States, as well as in China, Australia and Mexico. I am also a NACE certified Coating Inspector Level 3 and an instructor for the NACE Coating Inspector Program. I can attest firsthand how using the training I received from NACE International has impacted my abilities to successfully mitigate corrosion by understanding and implementing NACE standards and the procedures described. These are crucial to bringing uniformity to the amusement industry, not just here in Ohio, but all over the world. With the support and resources provided by NACE International I have many times, and continue to present, corrosion related classes at the AIMS Safety Training Convention, held in Galveston TX. As you know AIMS is referenced in H.B No. 189.

As a coating professional with extensive insight and understanding of the amusement park industry, I strongly believe that inclusion of NACE International in H.B No. 189 will strengthen this bill, as it has the ability to bring so much experience, knowledge and resources to the table. Thank you again and I look forward to the opportunity to elaborate further.

Respectfully Submitted,
Steve Hickey
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NACE CIP Instructor