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House Local Government Committee
Sponsor Testimony
House Bill 333

Chairwoman Anielski, Vice-Chair Ryan, Ranking Member Rogers, and members of the House Local Government Committee, thank you for the opportunity to present sponsor testimony on House Bill 333.

I would like to thank Rep. Hambley for joining with me to address this important issue facing our local governments.

As Rep. Hambley has just explained, House Bill 333 will increase force account bidding thresholds of road projects from \$45,000 to \$90,000 for road maintenance projects and from \$15,000 to \$30,000 for road construction and reconstruction projects.

I view this legislation as a fiscally responsible way to ensure that our constituents' tax dollars are getting the most value at the local level. Many townships already have employees with the necessary skills to complete these projects, making this legislation a common sense measure.

Township force account bidding thresholds have not been adjusted for over a decade, and it is time for the Revised Code to be updated to allow the force account bidding thresholds to function as originally intended.

This legislation is endorsed by the Ohio Township Association.

Thank you again for the opportunity to present House Bill 333 and we will now take any questions at this time.