

March 14, 2017

Mr. Kevin L. Miller Executive Director Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities 400 E. Campus View Blvd., (3AD) Columbus, Ohio 43235

Re: Legislation for Drivers License Notification- Communication of Disability

Dear Director Miller:

The Ohio Association of Chiefs of Police is pleased to support legislation that will heighten the capacity of law enforcement officers and first responders to assist an individual whose disability may impact their ability to communicate.

House Bill 115 legislation will provide greater transparency to our force by having the knowledge of a potential communication difficulty. It will help to ensure a positive and appropriate outcome to an event. We appreciate your administration's work to improve the interaction between law enforcement and the communities we serve. Please let us know how we can further support this cause.

Sincerely,

Donna Braxton

Executive Director

Ohio Association of Chiefs of Police

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cc: Chief Jeffrey W. Mitchell, CLEE, 2016-17 OACP President