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Written Proponent Testimony
Senate Bill 139
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Chairman Blessing, Vice-Chair Reineke, Ranking Member Clyde, and members of the House Government Accountability and Oversight Committee. The OSBA is a proponent of Senate Bill 139, Ohio's Electronic Legal Material Act.

I am happy to report the OSBA Board reviewed Senate Bill 139 in 2017 and determined the changes proposed in the bill were needed. The world is going digital. We see more of our own members opting to receive information electronically instead of in print. Even the lawyer's sacred *Greenbook* is seeing a decline in the printed version and an increase in the electronic version.

Just like the move from stone to papyrus, the move from print to electronic publications will not be stopped. Given the inevitable, the procedures and guidelines outlined in Senate Bill 139 are needed.

The OSBA urges the adoption of Senate Bill 139.

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