

**Tracy Fisher
Proponent Testimony
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Chairman Bacon, Vice Chairman Dolan, Ranking Member Thomas, and members of the Ohio Senate Judiciary Committee, thank you for giving me the opportunity to provide written testimony in support of Senate Bill 207.

My name is Tracy Fisher; I am Monica's oldest sister. Since my sister was murdered by her husband our lives have been turned upside down. He strangled her in January of 2014 and only received 11 days in jail. We just passed the three year anniversary of her death on November 9. Our family is fighting for non- fatal strangulation to become a felony to prevent others from the horrific pain that we are now all suffering in Monica's memory.

I am raising Monica's two youngest sons Adin and Christian along with my own three children. My goal for their "new normal" is to raise survivors. We want to show her children that we can take such a heart wrenching life changing event and make it into something positive to help others. I miss my sister and all the good times we had growing up and getting older. Her children have had to endure so many "firsts" without their mother by their side which completely tears me up. Please make non-strangulation a felony we need this now more than ever. Monica's death could have been prevented with this legislation.

Thank you.