Chair Hambley, Vice Chair Patton, Ranking Minority Member Brown, and the members of the House Civil Justice Committee, my name is Kevin Rice and I am submitting this testimony in support of House Bill 369, the Ohio Fairness Act.

I believe that everyone should have equal right to employment, housing, and goods and services, and should not have to worry about losing what they have because of who they are and who they love.

As a member of the LGBTQ community, I know what it's like to receive dirty looks and nasty remarks when I am simply walking down the street with my significant other. We need equality for everyone in the Buckeye State.

I urge you to pass House Bill 369, the Ohio Fairness Act.

Thank you for your time and consideration.