

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

My partner is transgender and I identify as bisexual. As we make plans for our future, it has been really difficult to decide if we want to move out of Ohio to a state that is more LGBTQ+ friendly. We want to stay close to our families, but we're both worried about job and housing security in Ohio. Having legislation that could protect us from discrimination on the basis of our identities would make it much easier for us to stay in the state.

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

Thank you for your time and consideration.