

## Revised Testimony on HB 796

Civil Justice Committee  
Opposition Testimony HB 796  
Stephanie Douglas

Dear Chairman Hambley and Committee,

My name is Stephanie Douglas and I am a public school teacher in Stark County. I am strongly and vehemently against HB 796. Establishing Stand Your Ground in businesses and public areas puts all of us, including children and teens, in danger. When Florida adopted Stand Your Ground, their homicide rate quickly increased by 32%. So, I urge you to vote NO on HB 796. Current Ohio law provides adequate justice for self-defense situations when there is no reasonable avenue for escape. HB 796 would simply provide criminals and unstable individuals an excuse to shoot someone without any consequences.

My address is 1507 23rd St NW Canton Oh 45709 and my phone number is (330) 409-3926.

Thank you,  
Stephanie Douglas