Ohio House Health Committee

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Proponent Testimony HB 188

Prohibit blindness from denying or limiting care of minor

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Chair Lipps, Vice Chair Manning, Ranking Member Boyd, and Members of the
Ohio House Health Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in support of HB 188.

I am the blind mother of two sighted sons.

When my sons were eleven and eight years old, my husband, who is also blind,and I divorced.

Our greatest fear was that the judge would attempt to remove our sons from our care because of our blindness. Fortunately, this did not happen.

No blind parent should experience the same fear that we did that their children could be removed from their care because of blindness.

Sincerely,

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