Hello,

My name is Harini Ushasri, and I am a medical student at The Ohio State University College of Medicine. I am writing to express my strong opposition to SB311 which limits the ability of public health officials to do their jobs. Now is absolutely not the time to delegitimize the efforts of the Ohio Department of Health, especially with COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations at an all time high in Ohio. This bill is incredibly dangerous to the safety and health of Ohioans as it prevents our public health experts from putting in place measures to protect ALL our lives. As a health care worker, I can see how devastating this pandemic is to our society, and I know this bill will harm my patients. Please do not allow this bill to pass, as it will only end up with more Ohioans dead from COVID-19. Now is the time to save lives. Do no harm.

Thank you,

Harini Ushasri