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Senate Bill 179 – Require Two License Plates December 11, 2019

Good Morning Chairman McColley, Vice Chair Johnson, Ranking Member Antonio, and members of the Ohio Senate Transportation, Commerce and Workforce Committee. I am the President of OBAA (www.obaa.org). I have been a Licensed Bail Agent in Ohio for over 40 years.

Senate Bill 179 if passed into law would restore a very valuable investigative tool to not only Ohio's Law Enforcement agencies but to Ohio's Licensed Bail Bond Agents as well. Licensed Bail Bond Agents and those who contract with Ohio's Licensed Private Investigators in accordance with Ohio Revised Code 2927.27 conduct Fugitive Apprehension Operations on those persons who have failed to return to Court and now have either a Bench Warrant or Capias Warrant for their arrest. Requiring vehicles registered here in Ohio to display two license plates on their vehicles is a step in the right direction. With the ever increasing ability of License Plate Reader (LPR) technology we Licensed Bail Bond Agents and those who have contracted with Licensed Private Investigators have access to that LPR database that assists them in conducting Fugitive Apprehension Operations.

As you can see, Ohio's Licensed Bail Bond Agents contribute to a "Safer Ohio" on a daily basis in many ways. On behalf of OBAA and Ohio's 500 Licensed Bail Bond Agents, we urge you to please support our profession by voting for this Bill. We are united with Ohio's Law Enforcement community in this effort. We urge you to ask other members of the Ohio Senate to vote for this Bill on the Floor. Thank you for your time in reading this today. If you have any questions or concerns regarding my testimony please feel free to reach out to me at any time. I can be found on our webpage at: www.obaa.org or email of: president@obaa.org. Please let's never forget safety first!

Respectfully Submitted,

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