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**House Families, Aging & Human Services Committee**  
**HB 145**  
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Chair Manchester, Vice Chair Cutrona, Ranking Member Liston and members of the Committee. My name is Olyria Vance and I am a member of Northern Ohioans for Budget Legislation Equality. NOBLE is a coalition of organizations and individuals who bring the voices of low-income individuals and families to the State Biennium Budget process. Most of our members are consumers of numerous services funded in part by the General Revenue Fund and all of us are taxpayers. I write to you today in support of HB 145.

I raised my two sons in the Cleveland area. Being a single parent there was great difficulty paying for living expenses and childcare. My income in the beginning was between \$9.00 and \$11.00 dollars. After paying my bills I usually ended up with \$20.00 to buy food and had to be creative to pay for gas to get to work. Please increase the eligibility for childcare subsidy for the benefit and wellbeing of children.

Respectfully,  
Olyria Vance