

Testimony Opposing HB 227  
House Government and Oversight Committee  
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Chairman Wilkins and Ranking Member Sweeney and members of the Government Oversight Committee,

Thank you for taking my testimony opposing HB 227. I live in Toledo and am a committed voter. I feel this bill would endanger Ohioans in any number of ways. The first priority of our state legislators and government in general is to protect its citizens. **The analysis of this bill by your own Ohio Legislative Service Commission states the following...**

“As a result, the bill allows the following categories of persons who are not eligible for a concealed weapons license to carry a concealed deadly weapon:

- ♣ A person who is currently being charged with a felony, a misdemeanor drug offense, a misdemeanor offense of violence, negligent assault, or falsification of a concealed weapons license;
- ♣ A person who has been convicted of a misdemeanor drug offense or misdemeanor assault of a peace officer;
- ♣ A person who, within the past ten years, has been convicted of misdemeanor resisting arrest;
- ♣ A person who, within the past five years, has been convicted of two or more counts of misdemeanor