

Chairman Wiggam, Vice Chairman John, Ranking Member Kelly , and members of the State and Local Government Reform Committee,

I am testifying today in favor of HB 90 as an Ohio resident deeply concerned about courses of action being taken under the current emergency powers and the dire effects it is having on all of us.

This bill restores the balance of power to where it should be, between the three, COEQUAL branches of government, and finally gives a VOICE to the PEOPLE of Ohio via their legislators during a declared emergency.

Our businesses, our economy, our social and emotional well-being and the future of our children are on the line. Our state cannot thrive under the continued oppressive and unopposed orders of an over-reaching Governor.

I sat down to read the 1st Amendment in Spring of 2020 because I was horrified that it seemed we moved from a Democracy to Totalitarianism within a few short weeks. Our rights to assemble (which affects freedom of religion as well) were violated by our Governor. Right to work is not in our Constitution, but should be. Our right to free speech was violated beginning in Spring of 2020 and still is by Google, Facebook, youtube, Instagram. Please give us hope that we may preserve our civil liberties!!

Please stand up and protect our personal liberties and the future of our state by voting YES on HB 90!

Thank you,

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