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Representative Scott Wiggam, Chairman
House State and Local Government Committee
Riffe Center
77 S. High Street, 11th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Dear Chairman Wiggam,

The Buckeye State Sheriffs' Association has had an opportunity to review HB 89 and have taken a position to oppose the bill as introduced. The initial premise of the bill was to clarify the time in which a CCW licensee must notify a law enforcement officer when stopped for a law enforcement purpose. While we understand the complexity of the one case cited we would agree with the bill if that was the only change to current law.

Unfortunately, the bill goes further and removes the penalty for a licensee's failure to display the person's concealed handgun license or disclose that the person is carrying a handgun.

If the penalty section was retained in the current law BSSA would monitor the bill.

I hope this clarifies the position of the Buckeye State Sheriffs' Association.

Respectfully,

Robert A. Cornwell
Executive Director

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2019
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Muskingum County

2018
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Preble County

2017
Mark Wasylshyn
Wood County

2016
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2015
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Greene County

2013
E. Wayne Risner
Ashland County

2012
Jeff Grey
Mercer County

2007
Vernon P. Stanforth
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2004
Michael E. Heldman
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