



HOUSE STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE – Proponent Testimony, House Bill 433,
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Chairman Wiggam, Vice Chair John, Ranking Member Kelly, and members of the committee, thank you for holding this hearing and for the opportunity to submit written testimony in support of HB 433, which would ensure that short term rentals (STRs) are subject to the same regulations as long-term rentals, and eliminate the potential development of regulations that would place an outright ban on STRs. My name is Jeff Dillon, and I am the Ohio Legislative Director for Americans for Prosperity (AFP). As one of the largest grassroots organizations in the country, AFP is driving long-term solutions to some of the country's biggest problems. Our organization, and its thousands of activists across Ohio are dedicated to breaking barriers that stand in the way of people realizing their full potential. Removing these barriers, in whatever forms they take, helps move our society toward one of mutual benefit, where people succeed by helping others improve their lives and by transforming their communities.

AFP activists support HB 433 because this bill is designed to remove barriers for aspiring professionals practicing boutique beauty services such as makeup application and hair braiding. As Rep. Gross stated in her sponsor testimony, many Ohioans who are currently operating and practicing in this space do so under the table because of overly onerous licensing requirements. Shifting to a simple registration from a state-issued license will allow more businesses to emerge and provide these services more openly, which will increase competition, which will lead to increased options and quality for customers.

AFP would like to thank Representative Gross for sponsoring this straightforward legislation which will help talented, entrepreneurial Ohioans to live up to their full professional potential if the bill is enacted. Thank you again, Chairman, for the opportunity to testify today and I will do my best to answer any questions that you or members of the committee may have.

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