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Senate Health Committee Senate Bill 141 — Sponsor Testimony

Chairman Huffman, Vice Chair Antani, Ranking Member Antonio, and members of the Senate Health Committee, thank you for the opportunity to present sponsor testimony on Senate Bill 141.

This bill would designate the first Saturday in May as “World’s Largest Diaper Drive Day”.

In the United States, 1 in 3 families report struggling to afford diapers for their babies. Though diapers may be a significant cost barrier to a new mother, there is no government program that provides diapers as a basic need for babies, and diapers cannot be purchased with government aid programs (WIC, ADC, etc.).

In order to meet the growing demand for diapers, this bill would raise awareness to the issue for a diaper drive on the first Saturday in May. It is my hope that in passing this bill, Ohioans will be encouraged to distribute and donate diapers to those who may desperately need them.

Thank you once again, Chairman Huffman and the members of the committee, for the opportunity to present this issue to you today. I will be glad to answer any questions at this time.