



# Ohio Small Business Council

November 28, 2022

The Honorable Nathan Manning  
Chairman, Ohio Senate Judiciary Committee  
1 Capitol Square  
Columbus, Ohio 43215

RE: Written Testimony in Support of House Bill 116

Chairman Manning:

On behalf of the Ohio Chamber of Commerce and our thousands of members, I am writing you to lend our support for House Bill 116; legislation that would create the Computer Crimes Act.

Our support for HB 116 comes from the Ohio Small Business Council which serves as one of the nine standing, public policy committees within the Ohio Chamber. Members of this committee are owners of for-profit companies with under four-hundred employees that operate in the state of Ohio. Many times, they bring up cybersecurity concerns and this bill seeks to modernize how computer crimes are charged.

HB 116 provides another tool in the toolbox for law enforcement as they seek to weed out bad actors, protect personal data, and protect small businesses who may not have all the resources available to do this on their own.

Thank you, Chair Manning, for the opportunity to provide written testimony in support of House Bill 116. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 614-228-4201 or [kboehner@ohiochamber.com](mailto:kboehner@ohiochamber.com).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kevin Boehner".

Kevin Boehner  
Director, Small Business and Workforce Policy  
Ohio Chamber of Commerce