

Chair Cutrona, Vice Chair Gross, Ranking Member Somani and other members of the Health Provider Services Committee...thank you for allowing us to be here today on HB47.

My life was saved. MY life was SAVED. As you can see I am doing really well when just over 2 months ago I had died for a few minutes. Yes.... died for a few minutes. But was "jolted" back to life due to lifesaving measures including the AED. I would not be here today if was not for the AED at the school. I am alive. My wife would have gotten a different phone call that night if they did not have that AED available. ....

But, I am getting stronger each week, walking now couple miles each day, weather permitting of course because we live in Ohio, back to getting on stationary bike 15 minutes a day and going through out-patient cardio rehab. I am so grateful that I am able to do this ..... because I am alive because my life needed a jolt. The AED.

Cardiac arrest can happen to anyone anytime. As I know all too well. This legislation will save lives.

And then I...we, along with my wife and son and daughter in law met those who saved my life. Unbelievable. Very emotional day for sure. Amazing. Happy tears. Life is precious. Life is good. But we were able to meet because they had what they needed to help bring me back. The AED. This story also made the Channel 10 news Thursday, March 9<sup>th</sup> and Dispatch couple days later. Take a look and see a reunion of those who stepped up to the challenge of saving my life and had that AED.

It was mentioned I have lots of living to do. Yes I do! Including Spending time with family especially watch my grandchildren grow, spending time with friends, travel and getting back on that golf course. And that's just a start.

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