

HB 285 – Nurse Workforce & Safe Patient Care Act
Proponent Testimony by Chris Roberts

Chair Swearingen, Vice Chair Gross, Ranking Member Somani, and members of the Health Provider Services Committee.

I am a resident of Summit County Ohio and would like to express my support of HB285 to establish staffing minimums for nurse-to-patient ratios. It is a statistical fact a poor nurse to patient ratio leads to increased mortality rates. Ohio is currently ranking very poorly in this category by multiple sources.

It's has been abundantly clear for many years that our State is lacking in patient care due to monetary concerns (real or imagined) by the various different hospital networks in the state. HB285 will greatly help to fix this problem.

thank you,

Chris Roberts