

May 30th, 2024

Chair Manning, Vice Chair Fowler Arthur, Ranking Member Robinson and members of the House Primary and Secondary Education Committee,

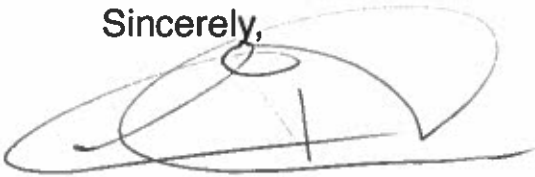
Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on House Bill 445. My name is Aaron Deal, and I am from Cuyahoga County.

As a father of four, it is super important for parents of Ohio public school children to have religious release time instruction available. Statistics on these programs regularly demonstrate an abundance of positive benefits for the students, schools and families that have been able to take advantage of SCOTUS's 1952 decision.

Please vote to pass HB 445 for the benefit of all Ohio families.

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to advocate for House Bill 445.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Aaron C. Deal'. The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping loop at the end and a vertical line through the middle.

Aaron C. Deal