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 Randy Ballinger and I am from Preble County.

Freedom of religion is a right guaranteed by the United States Constitution. House Bill 445 will affirm and uphold this right in the State of Ohio. Parents of Ohio school children will have an opportunity, if they choose, to take advantage of religious training that contributes to the character development of their children.

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

Sincerely,

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