

# WITNESS INFORMATION FORM

Please complete the Witness Information Form before testifying:

Date: 11/11/2024 \_\_\_\_\_

Name: Mike Halaiko \_\_\_\_\_

Are you representing: Yourself  Organization

Organization (If Applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Position/Title: Retired Ohio Public School Teacher, Administrator, and Coach \_\_\_\_\_

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Do you wish to be added to the committee notice email distribution list? Yes  No

Business before the committee

Legislation (Bill/Resolution Number): HB445 \_\_\_\_\_

Specific Issue: A Specific Religion being taught on Public School Day Time \_\_\_\_\_

Are you testifying as a: Proponent  Opponent  Interested Party

Will you have a written statement, visual aids, or other material to distribute? Yes  No

(If yes, please send an electronic version of the documents, if possible, to the Chair's office prior to committee. You may also submit hard copies to the Chair's staff prior to committee.)

How much time will your testimony require? 5 minutes \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide a brief statement on your position: The Ohio Constitution, similar to the U.S. Constitution, prohibits the establishment of religion in public schools, meaning that religious instruction cannot be taught as part of the regular curriculum during the school day.

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