

**OHIO SENATE**  
**Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources Minutes**  
**May 10, 2023**  
**135th General Assembly**

The Senate Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources was called to order at 9:00 AM in the Finance Hearing Room of the Ohio Statehouse.

Attendance was taken. A quorum was present.

The minutes from the May 9 meeting was reviewed and approved by the committee without objection.

Chairman Schaffer called up House Bill 33, sponsored by Representative Edwards for its sixth informal hearing for invited and public testimony.

The following organizations and individuals testified on the bill in front of the committee:

1. Dr. Jack Marchbanks, Director (Ohio Department of Transportation), Proponent
2. Scott Corbitt, Chair (Ohio Rail Development Commission), Proponent
3. Dr. Cathann Kress, Dean (Ohio State University, College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences), Proponent
4. Devin Fuhrman (Nationwide Insurance), Proponent
5. Rob Brundrett, Executive Director (Ohio Oil and Gas Association), Interested Party
6. Chris Zeigler (API Ohio), Interested Party
7. Mike Brandly (Ohio Auctioneer's Association), Proponent
8. Susan Johnson (Susan's Auction Service/Ohio Auctioneers Association), Proponent
9. Dustin Holfinger (American Heart Association), Proponent
10. Lauren Yedlick (American Heart Association), Proponent
11. Chris Weaver (Ohio Dairy Producers Association), Interested Party
12. Tony Fiore, Executive Director (Ohio Aviation Association), Interested Party
13. Alexandra Denney (Ohio Business Roundtable), Proponent
14. David Lasky (Ohio Deputy Registrars' Association), Interested Party
15. Aldo Filippelli (Ohio Deputy Registrars' Association), Interested Party
16. Matt Misicka (Ohio Conservation Federation), Interested Party
17. Adam Conway, Interested Party
18. Brenda Metcalf (Environmental Education Council of Ohio), Proponent
19. Captain Peg VanVleet (Lake Erie Charter Boat Association) Proponent
20. Dr. Lauren Kinsman-Costello and Dr. Christopher Winslow (The Lake Erie and Aquatic Research Network), Interested Party
22. Joe Hanson (Critical Response Group), Interested Party
23. Amy Riegel (Coalition on Homelessness and Housing in Ohio), Proponent
24. Amalie Lipstreu (Ohio Ecological Food and Farm Association), Interested Party
25. Dave Brandt (Ohio Ecological Food and Farm Association), Interested Party
26. Jenna Reese (Ohio Forestry Association), Interested Party
27. Kathryn E. Downie (Ohio Society of American Foresters and the Ohio Chapter of the Association of Consulting Foresters), Interested Party
28. Janelle Mead (Ohio Federation of Soil and Water Districts), Interested Party
29. Paul Campbell (National Wild Turkey Federation), Interested Party
30. Cassandra Ridenour (Private Landowners), Interested Party

31. Chad Harmon (Ohio Huskie Muskie Club), Interested Party
32. Jeff Herrick (Columbiana County Federation of Conservation Clubs), Proponent
33. Michael Emans (Lake Improvement Association - Grand Lake), Proponent
34. Jay Peterson (League of Ohio Sportsmen)
34. David Hague (Coyote Run), Interested Party
35. Jason Warner (Greater Ohio Policy Center), Interested Party
36. Guillermo Bervejillo, PhD (Policy Matters Ohio), Interested Party
37. Liz Stocker (Ohio State Sportsmen and Sporting Dog Association), Interested Party
38. Jason Wrather (Grange Insurance), Interested Party
39. Martin McAllister (Friends of Scioto Brush Creek, Inc.), Interested Party
40. Joe Dobney, Interested Party
41. Nathan Voris (Backcountry Hunters and Anglers), Opponent
42. Brian K. Housh (Rails-to-Trails Conservancy and Village of Yellow Springs)
43. Matt Rule, National Church Residence, Proponent
44. Harry Kinnison (Ohio State Trappers Association), Interested Party

Questions and comments from the committee were heard on the testimony before the committee.

Written testimony on House Bill 33 was received by the following individuals and organizations:

1. Rob Brundrett, Chris Zeigler, Bill Stanley, Pete Bucher (Ohio Oil and Gas Association, API Ohio, The Nature Conservancy, Ohio Environmental Council Action Fund), Interested Party
2. Jim Chakeres (Ohio Poultry Association), Interested Party
3. Tony Bornhorst (County Commissioners Association of Ohio), Interested Party
4. Adam Shriver (Morgan County Commissioners), Interested Party
5. Gail Hogan (American Heart Association), Proponent
6. Rick Mulledy (Muskingum Riverway Advocacy Council), Proponent
7. James Harris (Pheasants Forever and Quail Forever), Interested Party
8. Lisa Smith (Natural Areas Association), Interested Party
9. Rebecca Mellino (The Nature Conservancy in Ohio), Interested Party
10. Monsignor Joseph M. Hendricks (Seton Square Housing), Proponent
11. Stephen A. Coulter (Ohio Bass Association), Opponent

Invited Testimony on House Bill 33 concluded and constituted as the sixth informal hearing on House Bill 33.

With no further business, the committee adjourned at 12:48PM.

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Tim Schaffer, Chair