Chair Brenner
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Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on Senate Bill 293. My name is Brian Maxwell and I reside in Delaware County, Ohio.

I am urging you to pass SB 293 and amend the language for Release Time Religious Education.

I believe it is vital that parents be the one who decides their child's education path and not just those on the School Board.

The values that are taught in RTRE reflect those of a successful society and unfortunately have been slowly removed from teaching over my lifetime. Not all parents have access to private education, this legislation will make it possible for them choose RTRE for their children.

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to advocate for Senate Bill 293.

Sincerely, Brian Maxwell