Chair Brenner, Vice Chair O'Brien, Ranking Member Ingram and members of the Senate

**Education Committee:** 

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on Senate Bill 293. My name is Lynn Miller and I am from Fulton County.

We have LifeWise in our school district and we have seen very positive results. The kids and their parents that I have talked to about LifeWise, love it! Many children have side that LifeWise is their favorite part of their day.

In this day and age where many children are growing up in broken and dysfunctional homes, we need to find a way to reverse the trends of loneliness, low-self esteem, and simply not learning the basic skills of being a good and decent human being. The LifeWise curriculum also teaches children invaluable character traits. In my opinion, LifeWise can singularly reverse the downward spiral that I currently see happening.

Therefore, it is important that every single parent in Ohio has the ability to choose released time religious instruction.

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

Sincerely,

Lynn Miller