

March 27th, 2023

The Honorable Nathan Manning
Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee
Ohio Senate
1 Capitol Square
Columbus, Ohio 43215
E-delivery: Manning@ohiosenate.gov

RE: Support of Senate Bill 25

Dear Chairman Manning:

My name is Brian Deas, and I am the Co-Owner and Chief Executive Officer of Roup LLC. Roup is an online real estate auction technology company located in Columbus, Ohio. Roup has been providing auction platform services for private selling officers in the state of Ohio for over 5 years.

I am writing this letter in support of Senate Bill 25, sponsored by Senator Bob Hackett. Over the past 5+ years I have seen great success and positive impact that using private selling officers to conduct foreclosure sales has had on foreclosure timelines and sale prices. Private selling officers have been able to reduce foreclosure timelines while increasing sale prices. They have also increased the number of third-party purchasers on foreclosed properties. This directly impacts the neighborhoods and communities in which these homes are located.

This bill will expand the use of private selling officers thereby allowing them to further their positive impact not only on the foreclosure process, but in Ohio neighborhoods and communities as well.

Sincerely,

Brian Deas, Owner & CEO

Roup

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