

**Proponent Written Testimony for HB 303
Delivered to the House Energy Committee
November 12, 2025**

Chairman Holmes, Vice Chair Mathews, Ranking Member Rader, and fellow members of the House Energy Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of HB 303.

As an Ohio constituent and CEO of an Ohio manufacturing company, I'm writing to share my strong support of HB303 to establish community energy pilot program.

As a brief introduction, APA Solar is headquartered in Ridgeville Corners and employs a total of 260+ people across our locations in northwest Ohio. We are a leading provider of solar racking and foundation solutions for commercial and utility-scale projects. APA designs, engineers, and manufactures its products in-house in Ohio – delivering unmatched quality, consistency, and performance across a wide range of site conditions.

APA's manufacturing also supports an extensive domestic and local Ohio supply chain. We source 100% of our steel coil from domestic producers, including Ohio producers.

HB303 is good for Ohioans and for Ohio businesses. It would accelerate deployment of affordable, local energy, which can help meet our state's rising demand for electricity and keep utility costs down for families. At the same time, this legislation will support Ohio manufacturing jobs through increased demand for Ohio manufacturing products.

Thank you for your consideration of this important legislation.

Sincerely,

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