

Dear Judiciary Chair Thomas and Committee Members, I am writing this testimony as a proponent in support of HB249. As a parent and concerned citizen for the children in the state of Ohio, it is my hope that we will take steps protect our children from indecent acts of exposure. We all know that children are impressionable and unable to make “informed consent” for their own well-being. It is our job as parents and adults in authority to protect their minds and hearts from sexually explicit materials and “performances”. Once exposed to profanity or “adult themed material” it becomes sadly imprinted in their minds. Society today exemplifies the damage of pornography, the burgeoning problems of sexual abuse, trafficking, etc. which are direct outcomes from sexually presented themes. Please consider the damage that is being done by affirming and promulgating the furtherance of sexual exposures to children. Simply put, it is grooming. Thank you for being a voice for the vulnerable who are unable to speak for themselves. Please make Ohio a safe place for children. Sincerely, Mrs. Jody Hobson