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Chairman Claggett, Vice Chair Workman, Ranking Member Mohamed, and members of the Ohio House Technology and Innovation Committee, thank you for allowing me to provide sponsor testimony today on House Bill 392, the Ohio Right to Compute Act. The rapid expansion of the capabilities of artificial intelligence over the past couple years has brought with it a lot of exciting new economic opportunities. But at the same time, many have raised legitimate concerns about the safety risks of A.I. and how this technology can potentially impact our critical infrastructure.

As a result of these conversations, Representative Demetriou and I have introduced this legislation to set the stage for how our state will deal with this emerging technology. Our goal with this bill is simple; to put the necessary safeguards in place around A.I. while simultaneously creating regulatory certainty that will encourage the investments that are being made in this space to come to Ohio. HB 392 represents Ohio's intention to be on the forefront of innovation while protecting our compelling government interests.

If enacted, HB 392 will require anyone who implements or operates A.I. that interfaces with our critical infrastructure facilities to implement a strictly outlined risk management policy that aligns with federal guidelines. By passing this legislation, we can create a set of rules that balances the need for public safety protocols around A.I. while also signaling to this sector of the economy that Ohio is open for business and innovation.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify today, and we would be happy to answer any questions you may have.

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