

Testimony Against Ohio SB 1

My name is Benjamin Gregg and I'm a resident of Twinsburg, OH. The supposed reforms outlined in SB 1 should not be a priority to The Ohio General Assembly. For those of us who are entering into the behavioral health and medical fields, the curriculum changes outlined in this bill will make many of us in non-compliance with our professional Code of Ethics (such as the American Counseling Association) and may very likely jeopardize accreditation for public colleges and universities. If say, the College of Social Work at Ohio State University loses its accreditation, it would likely endanger licensure for Ohio's future behavioral healthcare workforce. Therefore, this bill does nothing but put Ohio workers at a major disadvantage in their career opportunities and weakens our state's standing as a leader in behavioral health and health care more broadly. Ohio voters opposed this measure when it was SB 83, and we continue to vociferously oppose it now under its current designation as SB 1.

Sincerely,
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