

To: Chair Tom Young, Vice Chair Kevin Ritter, Ranking Member Beryl Piccolantonio, and members of the House Workforce and Higher Education Committee

My name is Martha Grant. I have a PhD in Education from The Ohio State University, 1991. I taught at several higher education institutions (Ashland University, Columbus State Community College, Otterbein University) and worked as a Curriculum Designer for the Ohio BWC Division of Safety & Hygiene.

I am strongly opposed to SB 1 and its companion bill HB 6. As a retired educator, I believe that it is essential in higher education to welcome diverse viewpoints in classrooms among both faculty and students, stimulating growth and awareness in students' minds and hearts.

Senate Bill 1 would smother Ohio's public universities with a blanket of government requirements, which would impede the blossoming of our future leaders, who are now students asking pertinent questions about our society, our earth, our future.

Keep politicians out of our classrooms! Vote NO on Ohio HB 6.

Thank you,

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