

Chair Young, Vice Chair Ritter, Ranking Member Piccolantonio, and members of the House Workforce and Higher Education Committee, thank you for the opportunity to provide proponent testimony on Senate Bill 1.

My name is Anthony Rossi, and I am a student at Miami University.

Looking at this bill I can say that it's not as controversial as I feel like most people believe. It's frankly something that most people should agree on. DEI is creating an environment that is segregating us, not preventing it in any way. Even though I would say this, I still believe that the idea of DEI is not bad at all except when it comes to giving people unfair advantages just based on certain characteristics or beliefs a person has. What I find horrible with DEI is that certain people like some of my personal friends can't get help just because they are not what hits certain quotas for different colleges or groups.

So when thinking about this bill please remember that this will not be hiding away history, people, or anything in between.

I urge you to support Senate Bill 1. Thank you for your time and I'd be happy to answer any questions.