

Testimony in Opposition of House Bill 10
Before the Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee
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Chairman Schaffer, Vice-Chair Koehler, Ranking Member Hicks-Hudson, and distinguished members of the Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee: I am Rachel B. Kilgore, Esq., and I graduated in the top of my class from Capital University Law School in 2019 with pro bono honors and the CALI award in Legislation. I am a resident of New Albany, Ohio. I am submitting this testimony because House Bill 10 involves food labeling and consumerism, which affects all Ohioans. I respectfully urge you to oppose H.B. 10.

H.B. 10's origin, if enacted into law, would trace back to feelings and speculation¹, as well as statistics with no citations². Furthermore, there is already a grammatical error, or ambiguity, contained within lines 11-12 on the bill's *first* page.

If we are expressing our feelings and casting speculation, then I feel as though this bill is a cover-up. On the bill's face, it looks like it is "protecting" children and promoting parental choice. However, the underlying tones of both Representatives' testimonies set the stage for a romantic Shakespearean play between them and the "**sentient**-meat" industry.

How does this bill protect "**sentient**-meat" farmers any further than Ohio's current laws?

I **feel** as though this poorly-written bill places the burden upon all parties involved, and more, except those whom it is *truly* trying to protect. Personally, I would love to know whether a T-bone steak was cut next to a cancerous tumor or not before the sentient-meat is purchased, but

since when are they serving T-bone in schools? And how do you know what type of diseases and/or illnesses a non-human animal had before you consume it if no one ran the proper bloodwork or testing on said non-human animal? This type of knowledge would be more beneficial than the *potential* need to take an extra second or two for a buyer to *read* a label.

1. *Ohio House of Representatives Committee on Agriculture*, 136th General Assembly (March 26, 2025) (Testimony of Roy Klopfenstein).
2. *Ohio House of Representatives Committee on Agriculture*, 136th General Assembly (March 26, 2025) (Testimony of Jack K. Daniels).