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Dear Finance Committee chair and members:

I submit this testimony in opposition to SB96, which would discontinue Medicaid expansion in Ohio. This bill is immoral and truly horrifying. Taking away middle income jobs to serve corporate interests and the Jobs Ohio scam while penalizing poor people by jeopardizing Medicaid is unethical, unChristian (which I'm sure most of you purport to be) , and irresponsible. It is disingenuous to claim that Medicaid recipients who make under \$20k/year are taking advantage of the system. Instead, our system of corporate health "care" is killing them. Medicaid expansion covers individuals who are the most vulnerable citizens of our state. These are people with real needs for healthcare. By eliminating the Medicaid Expansion Program or putting more work restrictions on recipients, you will cause countless deaths and needless suffering of entire families. Please vote no and show that you care about the people of Ohio.

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