

Chairman Wilson and members of the Financial Institutions, Insurance and Technology Committee,

My name is Amy Jones. I'm testifying today because SB 167, the App Store Accountability Act, is the opposite of complex—and that's exactly why it works.

I have nieces and nephews whose parents are drowning in the current approach to online safety. They're managing settings across TikTok, Instagram, Snapchat, gaming apps, messaging platforms—each one different, each one requiring separate attention. It's unsustainable.

SB 167 makes it incredibly simple. Your child tries to download an app. You get one notification. You tap "approve" or "deny." That's it. No hunting through settings. No separate accounts on every platform. No PhD in technology required.

This is the kind of easy solution that actually gets used. When something is complicated, people skip it. When it's this straightforward, parents can actually protect their kids without becoming full-time tech monitors.

This approach happens at the one place every app download goes through anyway—the app store. It's using infrastructure that already exists to give parents a simple yes-or-no moment.

My siblings need tools that fit into real life. They need to make dinner, help with homework, and get kids to bed—not spend hours figuring out parental controls. SB 167 respects that reality. Pass this bill and give Ohio families something that actually works.

Thank you.

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