

Members of the Senate Financial Institutions, Insurance and Technology Committee,

My name is Christina Stacy, a manager and parent from Pickerington. I'm here because SB 167, the App Store Accountability Act, is the kind of practical solution that actually works in the real world.

As a manager, I know that when you want people to follow a system, you make it simple and put it where they already are. You don't create ten different processes across ten different platforms and expect consistent results. That's a recipe for failure.

SB 167 does this right. Parents already interact with app stores when their kids download apps. This bill just adds one notification at that exact moment—approve or deny. It fits seamlessly into what families are already doing.

The approaches that scatter age verification across apps, browsers, and operating systems sound comprehensive on paper, but in practice they're unworkable. Parents won't keep up with that level of complexity, which means kids end up less protected, not more.

What really matters here is that this keeps parents informed without overwhelming them. My teenager is at that age where she wants more independence, but she still needs guidance. This bill lets me give her room to grow while staying aware of what platforms she's accessing.

It's also the right approach for privacy. One centralized verification point instead of handing personal information to countless companies. That's just common sense.

Pass SB 167 and give Ohio parents a tool we can actually use.

Thank you.

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