

Dear Committee Members,

My name is Lindsey Wilcox. I farm in Mt. Gilead and run a small business while raising two kids.

A poll came out this year from Ohio Women Lead Right showing 80% of Ohio parents want the app store approach to keeping kids safe online. That's four out of five parents across this state saying the same thing. When have you ever seen that kind of agreement on anything?

We're telling you what we need, and that is SB 167.

Right now, my kids could download whatever they want, and I wouldn't know until damage is done. New social media platforms pop up every month. I can't keep up, and neither can most parents.

This bill gives me one simple notification before an app lands on their phones. That's all I'm asking for. Not separate logins for twenty different platforms. Just one point of contact where I can say yes or no.

The alternative approaches being discussed would have me managing settings across browsers, operating systems, individual apps, and that is all too much. Parents will give up. Then where are our kids?

SB 167 is practical, doable, and 80% of Ohio parents are behind it.

Listen to us and pass this bill.

Thank you.

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