

Mr. Chairman and members of the committee,

Parents should be the ones making decisions about their children's online access, not tech companies and not government bureaucracy.

I run a nursing practice in Hilliard and have three kids at home. I support SB 167, the App Store Accountability Act, because it returns authority to where it belongs with parents.

There's another bill being talked about, Senate Bill 175, that takes a completely different approach. SB 175 would fragment age verification across apps, browsers, operating systems, and individual platforms. That creates a nightmare for families. Instead of one simple checkpoint, parents would need to navigate multiple platforms, each collecting their children's data, each requiring separate attention.

That's bureaucratic overload disguised as protection.

SB 167 does what SB 175 fails to do—it keeps things simple. One notification when your child downloads an app. You approve it or you don't. Your child's age information stays in one place instead of being handed to dozens of companies.

I understand the importance of clear, enforceable systems. You need to give parents straightforward tools that actually work.

SB 167 solves the problem without creating new ones.

Please support SB 167.

Thank you.

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