

Dear committee members,

My name is Shannon Murphy. I'm a mother of two from Strongsville, and I serve as a member of both the Strongsville GOP and the Strongsville Chamber of Commerce. I also volunteer at BayArts in Bay Village. I'm testifying today in support of SB 167.

Parents need straightforward solutions, not systems that require them to manage settings across countless platforms and devices.

SB 167 provides that straightforward solution. When my children try to download an app, I receive a notification. I can make a decision and move on with my day. It doesn't require specialized knowledge or hours of setup time. It simply keeps me informed at the moment that matters.

What concerns me about some alternative proposals is that they would fragment this process across multiple platforms, forcing parents to verify ages and configure controls separately for apps, browsers, operating systems, and more. That's just not practical.

The centralized approach also protects children's privacy by limiting how many companies collect their personal information. That's the kind of common-sense protection families deserve.

I encourage you to support SB 167.

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