Members of the Committee,

I am writing to voice my opinion against SB63. This bill seeks to take away the right of Ohioans to elect their representation in government by whatever means they see fit. The people of Ohio have proven time and time again that when given the opportunity to vote for or against changes that impact their rights, they prefer to have a say at the ballot box. We have seen good turnout for votes on several issues in recent years and the people of this state have made their opinions known each time without question. When it comes to making changes that would ban forms of voting such as ranked choice voting, I believe that the people should be the ones to ultimately make such an important decision. I also believe that this bill seeks to limit the role of home rule in the state. Towns, cities, townships, any governing body within the state should have a say in how their elections take place, and this bill would significantly limit that ability. Put the issue to the people of Ohio and let them decide for themselves how they select their representation.

Thank you,

Dr. Cody Morrison