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Chair Roegner, Vice Chair Gavarone, Ranking Member Blackshear and members of the Senate General Government Committee:

My name is Chloe Misorski, and I am a constituent from Kent, Ohio. Thank you for the opportunity to testify. I am writing to express my opposition to SB 153. This massive bill is unnecessary and deeply harmful.

SB 153 is voter suppression. This bill will make it harder for a wide swath of people to register to vote and cast their ballot in elections. Making voter registration only available via BMV locations is exclusionary to those who live in rural areas or without reliable transportation. In addition to making registration more difficult, this bill excessively targets the ability to cast votes for Ohioans who have changed their name, which includes already marginalized populations like women and queer and transgender or gender diverse Ohioans.

The legislature should not rush such a significant and dangerous bill, especially during our primary election season when election officials have not even had time to weigh in. Please vote no on SB 153.

Thank you for your time. I am happy to answer any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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