

I respectfully urge the Committee to vote NO on the current version of S.B. 88, the "Ohio Property Protection Act".

1. This bill violates the equal protection of the laws guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution.
2. The restrictions on buying real properties proposed in this bill violate the rights guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution.
3. There is no evidence showing that restricting the purchase of real property within a 25-mile radius of critical infrastructure would reduce security threats.
4. Improving cyber security and other security measures are more critical than restricting purchasing properties near the protected properties.
5. If passed, this bill would tremendously impact the Ohio economy. Restaurants would be forced to close due to customers moving out, and residents would be required to sell their properties within two years. This would have a huge impact on their families. Immigrants would seek opportunities in other states, and Ohio would no longer attract highly skilled talents.
6. If passed, this bill may create a biased environment for the people from the countries on the list and the general immigrants, which violates the equality based on the countries of origin.
7. Amendment suggestions: Look into other security measures to improve the security overall; Residential property should be exempt from the restrictions.