

Testimony Against Senate Bill 88
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Testifying as Opponent

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

I am here to voice my strong **opposition** to Senate Bill 88, the so-called Ohio Property Protection Act. I made Ohio my permanent home since 2006 when I accepted a faculty position at Bowling Green State University. Under S.B. 88, someone like me could be unfairly scrutinized or even barred from acquiring property simply because of my country of origin or perceived affiliations. That's not just wrong—it's **un-American**.

SB88 is **a solution in search of a problem**. It threatens to undermine property rights, discourage investment, and open the door to **discriminatory** practices, **violating constitutional** protections and Ohio's commitment to fairness and equality. I urge you to **vote NO** on S.B. 88 and instead pursue policies that promote transparency, fairness, and inclusive economic growth. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Zhaohui Xu".

Zhaohui Xu