



EDUCATION COMMITTEE

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Today's Date 2/5/25

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Testifying on Bill Number: SENATE BILL 1

Testimony: ☐ Verbal ☐ Written ☒ Both

Testifying As: ☐ Proponent ☐ Opponent ☐ Interested Party

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Senate Higher Education
Committee Chair
Kristina Roegner

February 8, 2025

RE: Senate Bill 1

This letter is to confirm that I, Dr. Christopher Hawkins wish to express my disagreement and disappointment in the introduction of this bill to the Senate. It is most definitely an overreach and does nothing to increase the learning of students. As a citizen of this state, and an educator I am committed to the development of our citizens and future leaders. There are many other ways in which what is being considered in this bill can be attained. The negative effects on our economy will last for generations as they will not return to Ohio to raise their families. Ohioans are facing real problems of high costs at the gas pump, grocery store, and childcare.

These kinds of bills do nothing to address the daily issues faced by so many of your constituents, but only drive a further wedge between us and our neighbors by creating political divides casting diversity as controversy. I urge you to focus on the issues important to the citizens of your district and our state. Therefore, I urge you as the Chair of this committee to reconsider your position in this moving this bill forward.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Christopher Hawkins".

Christopher Hawkins