

## SB 1 opponent testimony

Chairman, members of the committee, my name is Fabi Romero, and I am a professor at an Ohio university. I write this to express my opposition to Senate Bill 1 because it is not what Ohio residents want. It is unpopular because it does not address students' concerns about cost, in-fact all the micro-managing that this bill will impose will raise prices for already struggling students. The quality of education will be impacted greatly, and students will leave Ohio universities for out of state institutions that professors feel safe to teach in.

This bill will create a hostile environment for many professors, regardless of what they teach, because academic freedom will be mostly null and void, and their jobs, once stable will be precarious. This affects the educational environment and will affect how Ohio institutions are seen outside of Ohio. Further, the anti-union components are alarming and will undermine all Ohio worker's job protections. I urge you to oppose this bill in the interest of our students, our institutions, and the future of Ohio's workforce.