

Chair Roegner, Vice Chair Cirino, Ranking Member Ingram, and members of the Senate Higher Education Committee,

Thank you for allowing me to testify today. My name is Theresa Graybill. I live in Huron, Ohio with my husband and son, and I have 2 older children currently enrolled in college. I am strongly opposed to SB 1 and its companion bill HB 6.

SB1 has many problems for Ohioans; my biggest concern is as a parent of current college enrolled students. This bill would make it nearly impossible for professors to teach my children about historical events in an honest and accurate manner. In addition, the bill puts the educators in a position to be threatened or harassed from outside political entities that have no ties to the university. As a college graduate myself, I know the knowledge and power higher education makes on one's future. While I did not always agree with my professors and classmates, the free flow of correct and accurate information allowed for discussion and growth for all involved.

I ask you to consider my testimony and vote NO on this harmful and destructive bill.

Thank you again for the opportunity to testify.