

June 18, 2025

The Honorable Nathan Manning  
Ohio Senate Judiciary Committee  
1 Capitol Square  
Columbus, OH 43215

**RE: Sub. Senate Bill 10 (Revise non-recourse litigation funding agreement regulations)**

Chair Manning, Vice Chair Reynolds, Ranking Member Hicks-Hudson, and Members of the Senate Judiciary Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to offer proponent testimony on Substitute Senate Bill 10 on behalf of the Ohio Business Roundtable and our more than 125 member companies that collectively employ over 600,000 Ohioans.

Third-party litigation funding remains an evolving risk that can distort the fair administration of justice by inserting non-party financial interests into litigation. As previously outlined in testimony submitted by our members, these arrangements are often opaque, can prolong litigation, and may result in conflicts that do not serve plaintiffs, defendants, or the public interest.

We greatly appreciate the work of the Chair and the bill sponsors in working towards an agreement on language that thoughtfully addresses the complex issues involved with third-party litigation funding. After several General Assemblies of discussion, this compromise reflects meaningful progress toward the shared goal of improving transparency, protecting consumers, and preserving the integrity of Ohio's legal system. While important work has been done to get us to this point, we respectfully encourage the Senate Judiciary Committee and the full Senate to continue advancing this legislation.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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