

Chairman Wiggam, Vice Chairman Stephens, Ranking Member Kelly, and members of the State and Local Government Committee:

I am testifying in favor of SB 311 today as an Ohio resident deeply concerned about courses of action being taken under the current emergency powers and the dire effects it is having on all of us. This bill restores the balance of power to where it should be, between the three COEQUAL branches of government and RE-OPENS Ohio.

Our businesses, our economy, our social and emotional well-being and the future of our children is on the line. Our state cannot thrive under the continued oppressive orders of our over-reaching Governor.

On a personal note, the level of anxiety and mental health issues these unlawful mandates and restrictions are creating in our community is evil. Businesses are afraid to serve their customers as they see fit for fear of being shut down. Families are turning on one another. For those who cannot wear a mask, they are being treated as second class citizens.

Please stand up and protect our personal liberties and the future of our state by voting YES on SB 311!

Thank you, Jessica Oswald