

Chairman Lipps, Vice Chair Holmes, Ranking Member Russo, and Members of the House Health Committee, thank you for the opportunity to provide proponent testimony on House Bill 248.

My name is Ryley Greene, and I am a prior teacher turned stay at home mom. The reason I support House Bill 248 is because we need to stand up for and protect our freedoms that our Forefathers fought so valiantly for...for us to be free and a free country not under the rule of tyranny. My family and I are new residents of the state of Ohio. We moved to Ohio in the autumn of 2019 after my husband honorably retired from the United States Air Force after serving 21 1/2 years. We chose Ohio out of several other states because of the Midwest values being similar to those we grew up with as Southerners.....respect, loyalty, and love of God and country. My husband accepted a post military job with a contract company on Wright-Patterson AFB, and we moved further away from family to continue to serve the country we love. He served and fought for the freedoms of Americans for 21 1/2 years, and he is still fighting for our freedoms with his current job. Please do not let his service, my family's sacrifice, or the countless other Ohio military members and their family's sacrifices be in vain! Pass this Bill to protect our God given and basic rights to freedom as outlined in the Constitution of the United States. Do not let us become a society that reverts backwards to segregation, discrimination, and tyranny. Please hold up your promise when you were sworn into your position to honor your constituency and protect the citizens of this State.

Thank you once again for this opportunity to provide testimony on the need for and urgency of House Bill 248.

Sincerely, Ryley Greene