

Proponent Testimony For SB 22 submitted by Deana Tareshawty, concerned citizen of Canfield, Ohio, Citizen Organizer of the Liberty Action Council of Mahoning County on March 7, 2021.

Chairman Wiggam, Vice Chair John, Ranking Member Kelly, and honorable members of the State and Local Government Committee: Thank you for considering my proponent testimony on Senate Bill 22.

I never thought that I would ever see a day where I would be fighting for my basic human rights and freedoms in the United States of America and in my home state of Ohio. Yet here we are, a year into this state of emergency with no end in sight due to an unchecked Governor and Health Director on a power trip. He wants to make Ohio an example for other states to follow. I'm sorry Chairman Wiggam, Vice Chair John, Ranking Member Kelly, and honorable members of the State and Local Government Committee, but what we have in Ohio is not something we should be proud of, or offer up as a model for other states to follow. If anything, we should be modeling states who have checks and balances in place to guard against such dictatorship.

I fully believe that at the beginning of this pandemic Governor DeWine had good intentions. I believe he cared about the well-being of Ohioans. Over the year, my faith in him and the system changed when he continued to keep Ohio locked down, pushing the testing of healthy individuals with a known faulty PCR test. He continued his tyranny by changing the way case metrics are counted, refusing to develop an end strategy, appointing a lawyer, not a medical doctor, as Health Director, and blindly believing and promoting a vaccine as the only way to herd immunity and a return to normal, all while preaching masks work. If they did, why is Holmes county the exception?

He now throws us a crumb, an end goal of 50 cases per 100,000 for 2 weeks for the entire state. An unattainable goal especially when we continue to test healthy people and have a completely corrupt Ohio hospital association collecting money on Covid deaths. He is not concerned with science. He is playing politics while countless Ohioans suffer every day. And this is our fault. It's our fault for not seeking to hold members of our government accountable and making the progressive changes to the Ohio Revised Code before we were faced with this loss of freedom.

We have allowed the Governor to run wild with the power he has afforded himself by interpreting the Ohio Revised Code to his liking, to undermine our freedom based on cases of SARS Cov2 and not actual deaths. The last time I checked the definition of a pandemic before it was changed to meet the needs of corrupt officials, it was based on confirmed deaths by autopsy or other verified means, not cases, or probable cases. This power trip is a clear indication that he does not respect my constitutional and human rights. These rights do not become less important in a state of emergency but, in fact, become even more important.

I myself have had what is being called Covid. In fact, my entire family had it. None of us were hospitalized. None of us felt the need to panic over our mild flu like symptoms. In fact, we all recovered fully in several days with rest, good nutrition and increasing intake of vitamin C, D and zinc. This is also the case for many others that I know who have had "Covid", many over

the age of 70. From my experience and observations of this “disease”, we don’t need to be locked down or even vaccinated against it. The real disease here is a corrupted data pool with no transparency or accountability. It is clearly a game and a game of greed. We need a Special Oversight Committee. We need checks and balances. We need to get back to government for the people, by the people.

I do not trust the data being provided to me by my Governor for many reasons. The main reason is that no autopsies have been performed on any person stated as dying of “Covid”. How can we know for certain that these deaths are indeed from “Covid”? One of the primary means of establishing causation with respect to any contagion in an epidemic is to autopsy the bodies of the dead. This has been a cornerstone of analysis in past epidemics to determine severity of the outbreak.

Another important reason I do not trust the data provided to me is that of causation. Causation of Covid-19 symptoms from SARS-COV2 has never been proved. Of the small number of studies on this, most say ‘probable link’ or ‘probable causation,’ neither of which is proof of causation.

And the final important reason to not trust the data is that there has been a lack of investigation and study into alternative therapies and treatments for Covid. We have been pushed into masks, social distancing and a harmful experimental drug touted as a vaccine.

I am passionate about putting checks and balances into place to safeguard freedom and human rights. My story is not unique. I am among thousands of Ohioans that have been robbed of precious moments and milestones left uncelebrated in life during this past year. The hardest moment was the passing of my father. I buried my father, a Vietnam Veteran, without the celebration that he was due for his service to our country. Ten people were allowed to celebrate his life! There are more than ten people in my immediate family, so some of his grandchildren had to stay home and not say goodbye to him due to the incredible fear placed on the funeral home. They were afraid of being shut down for violating a mandate.

Again, I am among thousands of Ohioans whose business suffered all because of irrational mandates where logic and sound science was not followed. An example of this insanity exists in the lobby of the Riffe Center that holds the House of Representatives . There is a people herding section near the entrance constructed of Plexiglass and PVC pipe. If you observe the plexiglass you will see it is only shoulder to head height. The bottom of the corral is left open suggesting that Covid can only travel at the level of that plexiglass and is intelligent enough to not go below it or travel to the next corral. It is this type of insanity that the Governor and the health director are responsible for and needs to be stopped. Making children sit for eight hours a day in class, masked and surrounded by plexiglass is insanity. Children are not supposed to be carriers of this “disease”, so why do we treat them as if they were? Why? Because we are living in fear of a virus with a 99% survival rate. Is that rational? Is this scientific? Was this brought to the public and the legislature to decide how to get kids safely back to school? No. One or two people made a decision that impacts roughly 1.7 million Ohio school children.

I am asking you to please support SB22. Please stop this tyrannical rule over the people of Ohio. No government, one person, or office should have absolute power and control over the life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness of an individual. If people want to wear masks and get vaccinated, that is their right and I am all for it. But this must remain a matter of choice and I want my right to refuse to be protected. I am very concerned that it will not, unless the Governor and Health Director are restricted in their overreach of Covid mandates by legislative oversight.

I ask you to stand strong and firm and pass this legislation. I ask you rise above the play of politics and party and hear the pleas of the people of Ohio. If the people of Ohio shout out that they want to be free of a tyrannical governor and be protected from such action in the future, then you as our elected representatives must answer the call and defend Ohio. We act today not only for us but also for our children and grandchildren. Support SB 22.

Respectfully,  
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