

# WITNESS INFORMATION FORM

Please complete the Witness Information Form before testifying:

Date: June 8, 2021

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Are you representing: Yourself  Organization

Organization (If Applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

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Do you wish to be added to the committee notice email distribution list? Yes  No

Business before the committee

Legislation (Bill/Resolution Number): House Bill 62

Specific Issue: Safe Haven/Nullification

Are you testifying as a: Proponent  Opponent  Interested Party

Will you have a written statement, visual aids, or other material to distribute? Yes  No

(If yes, please send an electronic version of the documents, if possible, to the Chair's office prior to committee. You may also submit hard copies to the Chair's staff prior to committee.)

How much time will your testimony require? Written Only

Please provide a brief statement on your position: My name is Abby Hersey and I am a lifelong Ohio resident and voter. I'm a mother to three girls, grandmother to two boys, wife, and business owner. I am submitting testimony today in opposition to House Bill 62, an unconstitutional and confusing bill that puts law enforcement in the impossible position of being sued or suffering job loss for enforcing federal laws or using federal assistance in solving crimes involving firearms. Do you want to see Ohio's law enforcement officers in court having to defend themselves for doing their constitutional duty? Do you want to see them lose their jobs for having done what they are sworn to do?

Under the U.S. Constitution's Supremacy Clause, federal laws are the “supreme law of the land” and any state that conflicts with federal law is null and void. HB 62 riles up extremists who believe the federal government is after their gun rights, adding fuel to the fire of dangerous anti-government sentiment that created destruction and violence, including the loss of life suffered by a law enforcement officer, on January 6th in our nation’s capital.

HB62 also sends a confusing message to law-abiding gun owners who may inadvertently expose themselves to criminal liability. After Kansas passed a similar nullification bill, two Kansas men were prosecuted for illegally making and possessing firearm accessories that they wrongly believed were exempt from federal regulation.

Please think about the message you are sending to your constituents if you vote for HB62. This bill is unconstitutional, will cost taxpayers money to defend, is anti-law enforcement and pro-extremist. I urge you to please vote against House Bill 62.

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