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Dear Chairman Roegner, Vice Chairman McColley, Ranking Member Craig, and members of the State and Local Government Committee:

I am testifying today in favor of SB22 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! I want to see balance of power where it should be, between the three, COEQUAL branches of government, and finally gives a VOICE to the PEOPLE of Ohio via their legislators during a declared emergency.

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 and unopposed orders of our over-reaching Governor, who has not suffered any economic impact or ramifications as far as we are aware of, for his heavy and excessive orders and abuse of position.

The economic impact has been devastating on me, and it will take a very long time to recover financially! The job losses in the state/local areas are great, and competition for the few employment opportunities are flooded with applicants. Of course, as you may suspect that being in this situation creates diminished HOPE!

**Please stand up and protect our personal liberties and the future of our state by voting YES on SB22!**

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Elaine Bertram". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the typed name "Elaine Bertram".