

Dear Chair Roegner, Vice-Chair McColley, Ranking Member Craig, and the Honored Members of the Government Oversight and Reform Committee,

Thank you for your time and consideration. I am asking for you to consider passing Senate Bill 22 because of all the adverse effects the COVID-19 Restrictions have had. Our government is meant to have checks and balances and the current orders do not allow for personal responsibility. It also takes away the rights and freedoms of many.

I work for General Motors and have been placed into a very difficult/dangerous situation. I have a doctor's note exempting me from the state mandate due to my asthma condition, which is a disability according the Americans With Disabilities Act. When I went to the medical department at my plant, the options I were given were to wear an even more restrictive N95 mask or go out on sick leave, a move that would cost me half my pay. In the summertime, temps in the plant can soar to 100 degrees or more, not factoring in the humidity. The choice I have been given is to suffer breathing difficulties to provide my family, or go out on sick leave and lose a significant portion of my income.

I personally know of five people who have either committed suicide or attempted to this past year-everyone under the age of 21. The isolation and fear that is being allowed to imposed on all of us, especially our children, up to and including people with COVID having to die alone, is nothing short of state sanctioned torture. This has to stop. Give us back our freedom to choose what is best for our bodies.

Please feel free to email me to discuss further. Thank you! I am praying for those in leadership to have courage and wisdom. PLEASE take action that Ohioans desperately need. If you are concerned about the risk, I'd encourage you to watch Dr Douglas G Frank on YouTube where a perspective following the CDC data is discussed.

Thank you again for your time.