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Senate Bill 201

Chair Roegner, Vice Chair McColley, Ranking Member Craig and members of the Government Oversight and Reform Committee, thank you for giving me the opportunity to provide sponsor testimony for Senate Bill 201.

Senate Bill 201 recognizes January 22nd of each year as a 'Day of Tears' to mourn the lives lost as a result of abortions and the January 22nd, 1973 Supreme Court decision of Roe v. Wade.

This legislation would not only recognize the 22nd of January as a day of mourning but also encourage Ohioans to lower their flags to half-staff to pay respect to the millions of lives brought to an end since the infamous and egregious legal decision. Additionally, the legislation would include a sunset provision to conclude the annual recognition of the 'Day of Tears' when the Roe v. Wade decision is necessarily overturned and morality and humanity returns to the conversation.

The nation's oldest Right to Life committee; The National Right to Life Committee, estimates that since the 1972 decision there have been more than 62,502,904 million lives terminated. As an unapologetically pro-life individual, the sorrow I feel for each and every one of those lives is immeasurable. We must continue to work and fight for all the unborn.

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony to you today, and I am happy to answer any questions you may have.