Dear Chairman Terry Johnson and the members of the Armed Forces, Veteran Affairs and Homeland Security Committee -

On behalf of the 19 members of the Ohio Department of Veteran Services Advisory Council, I must inform you that Council has voted <u>NOT to support HB 192</u>, But we are willing to talk about it further for the betterment of veteran services in Ohio.

The council has representation from the following organizations:

- A representative of the American Legion
- A representative of the AMVETS
- A representative of the Army and Navy Union, U.S.A.
- A representative of the Catholic War Veterans of the U.S.A.
- A representative of the Disabled American Veterans
- A representative of the Jewish War Veterans of the U.S.A.
- A representative of the Korean War Veterans Association
- A representative of the Marine Corps League
- A representative of the Military Officers Association of America
- A representative of the Military Order of the Purple Heart of the U.S.A.
- A representative of the office of the National Guard Association of the U.S.A.
- A representative of the Veterans of Foreign Wars
- A representative of the Vietnam Veterans of America
- Three representatives of the Ohio State Association of County Veterans Service Commissioners (combined vote of 1)
- Three representatives of the State Association of County Veterans Service Officers (combined vote of 1)
- A representative of the County Commissioners Association of Ohio
- A representative of the Advisory Committee on Women Veterans
- A representative of a labor organization
- A representative of the Office of the Attorney General

We all stand ready to help guide and advise any legislation involving Veterans in Ohio. In short, please do not make legislation about us, without us. We do want the best for Veterans and Ohio.

Please contact a council member organization, ODVS or myself to get on our schedule.

Thank- You for your service in honoring the Veteran sacrifice.

Victor Wilson

Chairman ODVS Advisory Council

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