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Letter of Support - House Bill 345 House Health Committee Wednesday, January 17, 2018

Chairman Huffman, Vice Chair Gavarone, Ranking Member Antonio, and distinguished members of the committee, thank you for accepting this letter of support regarding House Bill 345. As the President of Ohio Right to Life, I write on behalf of our board, our affiliated chapters, and members of our organization in support of House Bill 345, the Cure Bill.

Our mission at Ohio Right to Life is to promote and defend the right to life of all innocent human beings, from the time of fertilization until natural death. We look not only to defend those lives from abortion and euthanasia, but also to help improve the quality of those lives so that they may be lived to their fullest. Ohio Right to Life has a vested interest in promoting a culture of life in Ohio. It is for that reason today that we lobby in favor of the Cure Bill.

One of the ways we at Ohio Right to Life seek to accomplish this mission is by "investigating new areas of biomedical technology, to evaluate ways in which they may promote or perhaps threaten human flourishing and human dignity." By providing an incentive for scientists to seek cures to debilitating diseases, the life condition of many will be improved greatly. Upon the advent of more research into how to cure these diseases, not only can solutions be found, but many will benefit from this bill. One thing is clear: the Cure Bill, should it be enacted, will save human lives.

For these reasons, we support this legislation and urge you to vote in favor of it. Thank you.