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Re: HB 155

To whom it may concern :

Please allow me to introduce myself I am Peter J. Hritsko, Commander of the Commandery of the State of Ohio Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States. The Order is one of the oldest veterans hereditary organization still in existence in the country. It's members consist of officers of all branches of service of the Armed Forces of the United States of America who helped save the Union in 1861-1865. I am also, the Past Ohio Department Commander of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. The State of Ohio has experience several incidents involving the prohibit selling of war relics and cannons being sold or moved.

The Commandery of the State of Ohio, Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States Companions and myself strongly support the passage of the House Bill 155. These precious historical war relics should be preserved for our future generation to seen how our county has fought bravery and sacrifice that were made. We must not forget the many American Veterans who fought for our freedom ,that we all have today because of them. These items must be protected from being sold or moved. We must preserve our veterans and their legacy of what they fought and died for their country. Especial we must remember all our Veterans from the past present and future. We do not what our history to fade away, the passing of House Bill 155 will help our history live on.

Loyally,

Peter J. Hritsko Peter J. Hritsko Commander, Commandery of the State of Ohio Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States "Lex Regit Arma Tuentur" (Law Rules, Arms Protect)