

## House Commerce & Labor Committee May 28, 2020 Substitute House Bill 67 Proponent Testimony Jack Advent, OVMA Executive Director

Chairwoman Manning, Vice Chair Dean, Ranking Member Lepore-Hagan and members of the House Commerce and Labor Committee. On behalf of the Ohio Veterinary Medical Association I am here today to express our support for the amendment offered relating to information on charitable work performed by veterinarians. This is a modest and reasonable change to the criteria for those selected as recipients.

Substitute House Bill 67 in its entirety reflects an equitable, fiscally responsible and meaningful approach to addressing animal care needs in our communities, can assist with attracting and retaining employment of veterinarians in Ohio, and provides resources towards the challenge of student debt facing the veterinary profession.

We respectfully encourage your favorable adoption of Substitute House Bill 67 and appreciate the thoughtful consideration this Committee has exercised in reviewing the proposal. I would be happy to answer any questions.