Craig Keller's Testimony

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Chairman Becker, Vice Chairman Stoltzfus, Ranking Member Miller and members of the House Federalism Committee, thank you for this opportunity to testify on this wonderful legislation, House Bill 178.

Here is my testimony: I believe that the passage of this bill would reduce the amount of violent crimes, and deter criminals because they would know the chance of the good guy being armed is a good possibility. Typically the bad guys go for easy prey and targets. This would give them something to think about prior to making poor decisions. Statistics have shown that the states that have passed constitutional carry are below normal levels of violent crime and in time proven passage of constitutional carry has decreased. Being a law abiding citizen this makes me and my family more protected from violent crime than we are currently. I also believe that those are not allowed to own a weapon to still be unable to process, and most importantly be inclusive of individuals legally proven for Domestic Violence, Mental incompetence, violent felons. That this legislation prohibits them from the same rights as currently provided under ORC.

Thank you for your time and reviewing my testimony in support of this legislation.

Sincerely,

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