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Sponsor Testimony: HB 10 Senate Finance Committee

Chair Dolan, Vice Chair Burke, Ranking Member Sykes, and members of the Senate Finance Committee. Thank you for the opportunity to testify on behalf of HB 10.

This bill will create a permanent, centralized office within the Governor's office to coordinate the state's drug related efforts and help support local efforts, including sharing best practices that have made a difference in local communities.

The bill will also help facilitate mutual aid across communities and improve the efficiency and delivery of needed resources.

I believe all of us here have seen the devastating effects of the drug epidemic here in Ohio. This drug epidemic knows no zip codes and has reached every corner of our state.

This legislation is great for all of Ohio and more specifically my district in Stark County where we have seen many overdose deaths in the past few years. I am grateful to Speaker Householder who has made this issue a priority, and I am glad to lead the charge with Rep. Brown on this issue.

Chair Dolan, Vice Chair Burke, Ranking Member Sykes, and members of the Senate Finance Committee. Thanks again for the opportunity to testify on behalf of HB 10. I am happy to answer any questions you may have.