Testimony on Senate Bill 317 Government Oversight and Reform Committee

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Chair Coley, Vice Chair Huffman, Ranking Member Craig, and members of the committee, thank you for allowing me to present this testimony in opposition to SB 317.

My name is Matt Arnold, and I'm a resident of Cleveland. I cannot believe we are still here, talking about arming our teachers with firearms, when we should be arming the general public--and legislators, apparently--with common sense. The more guns in our public schools, the LESS safe our children are. No data exist that says otherwise.

Furthermore, it is incredible to me that the Ohio Senate is reconsidering this legislation during a pandemic. You could be spending your time informing the public on why wearing a mask is imperative to overcoming this virus as a collective, but here you are wasting time and money on this bogus goal.

I urge you to vote against SB317.

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