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. I am an Ohio voter and resident of Louisville.

It is madness to believe that arming school personnel, especially with inadequate training, will do anything besides make school environments more dangerous than they are now. The more guns in the school building, the greater the chances of injury or death to an innocent student or staffer. Teachers have enough challenges doing their jobs without being compelled to double as security guards. The only benefit to this legislation appears to be for shareholders in firearms and ammunition manufacturers.

Our children deserve better than this. Please vote no on this dangerous legislation.

Thank you. William T. Koltek