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 Michelle Heym and I am opposed to SB 317. I am a substitute teacher in Central Ohio and believe it is dangerous to arm teachers with a loaded gun without proper training. As concerned as I am about returning to the classroom with Covid-19, I am outraged at the reckless thought of allowing teachers to carry a weapon into the schools without also providing the education on how to use the weapon properly. I refuse to pay my hard earned tax dollars to support a bill that would put my children in potential danger.

There are very strict requirements under current Ohio law. Why would you pass a law that would bypass this training?

Sincerely, Michelle Heym