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 Carolyn Nusbaum and I am a resident of Perrysburg, Ohio. I am a 67 year old retired teacher from Toledo Public Schools. My husband and I raised two boys who attended public schools and have two grandchildren who will soon.

As a former teacher I oppose SB317 which would allow teachers to carry loaded guns in Ohio schools without completing the safety training required by current Ohio law. Furthermore, I believe no amount of training makes it safe for teachers to carry guns in school. Arming school employees increases the risk of gun violence and is not an effective way to stop an active shooter.

I urge you to vote against SB317.

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