Chair Eklund, Vice Chair Manning, Ranking Minority Member Thomas, and the members of the Senate Judiciary Committee, my name is Kevin Rice and I am submitting this testimony in support of Senate Bill 11, the Ohio Fairness Act.

I believe that everyone should have equal right to employment, housing, and goods and services, and should not have to worry about losing what they have because of who they are and who they love.

As a member of the LGBTQ community, I know what it's like to receive dirty looks and nasty remarks when I am simply walking down the street with my significant other. We need equality for everyone in the Buckeye State.

I urge you to pass Senate Bill 11, the Ohio Fairness Act.

Thank you for your time and consideration.