

To the Civil Justice Committee members,

My name is Landis Shaw and I am a resident of East Liverpool, Ohio. I am writing to you today to urge you to not proceed with House Bill 613, the bill to abolish the East Liverpool Municipal Court. I currently work as a server at a new restaurant Cadence Vault in the city of East Liverpool and I fear with the court house closing we will lose out on business that we receive from the court house as well as the lose of money that would provide for myself and my two children. Our restaurant is attracting customers from all over to our city. With the positive feedback from the customers I encountered from East Liverpool and afar I feel as if you we will see a population growth in the near future for our city. There were many new businesses that opened up last year and this year in the city of East Liverpool. East Liverpool is going through a revitalization currently as we speak. Our older businesses such as one of the local pottery Homer Laughlin China about a mile, Mountaineer Racetrack about 5 miles away creates a lot of traffic through our city as well as the local stores and antique malls. Unfortunately with the lose of the steel mills however our town became impoverished for the most part unfortunately. Many people don't have the \$3.50 fee to travel all the way to Lisbon court. The court house we have is in walking distance from anywhere in the city. If the court house gets closed it would only hurt us community members. Please let me know if you have any questions, and thank you for your time.

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