

The Honorable Brian Baldridge Ohio House of Representatives 77 S. High Street; 13th Floor Columbus, OH 43215

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Seth Statler Director The Center for Campus Fire Safety (CCFS) fully supports House Bill 304 to amend the law 2 regarding smoke alarms in residential

premises.

In addition to the residential use for smoke detectors, this amendment will help to recognize the importance of smoke detectors in higher education campuses as well. Our Campus Fire Marshal's face many challenges protecting students, faculty, staff and visitors at campuses that are essentially self-contained cities.

We applaud Representative Baldridge for recognizing that fire safety protective devices and education are critical to reduce the property damage, injuries and even death that can result from incidents on and off campus. The program proposed in this important legislation will help students develop safety habits that will protect them throughout their lives.

Respectfully,

Justin Daniels, President

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