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Chairman Dick Stein
Commerce and Labor Committee
Ohio House of Representatives
77 S. High Street
Columbus OH 43215

Dear Chair Stein and committee members,

My name is Clarence Cardwell and I am the owner / operator of three rural Ohio convenience stores. Over the 22 years of operation I have worked with our local community members to pass Sunday sales permits at all three locations. I strongly believe that the Sunday sales portion of Sub. SB102 would harm our business as a step toward taking away liquor sales control from local communities.

This bill is about more than giving the customer a choice. This bill will put many rural stores out of business. When locally owned stores close it affects not only the employees and the customers, it affects all the support that local stores provide to their community. We provide support to the local little league teams, high school teams, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, and food banks. These are just a few of the local organizations that will hurt if we are put out of business by Sub. SB102.

Large corporations who don't already have Sunday sales would take away community control of approving Sunday alcohol sales. They will put local community convenience stores out of business. Large corporations do not support community activities or organizations. Please think local, support local and do not pass Sub. SB102.

Sincerely,

Clarence Cardwell, Owner
Clarence Cardwell Inc.