Opposition Testimony on HB 227 Permitless Carry Government Oversight Committee Pat Krummrich

Chairman Wilkin and Committee Members Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

My name is Pat Krummrich.

It angers me that you are trying to push this dangerous bill through at a time when few (if any) Ohioans can safely appear before you to speak against it.

I am a retired health care provider from Akron Children's Hospital where I treated many patients with gun injuries. I was a substitute teacher for several years. I have one surviving daughter. I held my other daughter's hand as she passed away at age 15.

I will never stop fighting for the lives of Ohio's other children and families.

This bill would provide more guns, without common sense training provisions, in the hands of more people. By doing away with permits and their accompanying background checks, it would allow for easier access to guns for convicted felons, illegal drug users and domestic abusers.

According to the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) a gun in the home is 43 times more likely to result in the death of a friend or family member than an intruder. So until there is evidence to the contrary, we have to assume that having more guns, in stores, theaters, restaurants, especially in untrained hands, will be more likely to result in the deaths of more Ohioans.

VOTE NO ON HB 227!

Thank you for your attention, Pat Krummrich 330-495-8788 pak51lwl@gmail.com