In light of the fact that "in 2020, Ohio saw 849 gun homicides compared to 628 in 2019;" "as of September 28, 2021, there have been 632 Ohioans killed by gunfire — surpassing all of 2019;" and that so far in 2021 across the U.S., there have been over 15,200 homicides/accidental deaths from a gun and nearly 18,000 suicides by gun," it is unconscionable to pass legislation that allows anyone to conceal carry in Ohio without any background checks, licensing or training. I am therefore opposed to HB 227.

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