Opposition Testimony: SB 215

House Government Oversight Committee

From Carol Kralik

Dear Chairman Wilkin, Vice Chair White, Ranking Member Brown, and Committee Members.

I live in a rural community, Louisville, Ohio. Please do not vote to make SB 215 a law. This bill, paired with Ohio's Stand Your Ground bill (passed at the last possible hour of last year's legislative session) will encourage vigilantism in Ohio. You will be putting more guns on our streets and making it easier for criminals, drug users, domestic abusers and people with severe mental illness to walk around with concealed guns. Any armed person will then be empowered to make split second decisions about who should be shot. Since there will be no minimal training requirement for concealed carry without the permit, some of these shooters may not even be able to hit their target. Every innocent by stander becomes another potential victim to gun violence. Please stop pandering to the gun lobby, use common sense and do the right thing. Vote No on SB 215.

Thank you,

Carol Kralik