Testimony on House Bill 62 House State and Local Government Committee June 9, 2021

Chair Wiggin, Vice Chair John, Ranking Member Kelly and members of the committee, thank you for allowing me to present this testimony in opposition to HB 62.

I am a senior and a retired General Motors General Supervisor. I moved to Ohio 6 years ago because I believed this would be a safe and enjoyable place to spend my senior years. I have many concerns about growing gun violence in Ohio, Lorain County and the United States. These concerns are not only for my safety but for families, their children and working people. This proposed legislation and its passage threatens public safety. It dishonors those who believe in the rule of law and upholding the US Constitution and undermines our working together to protect our communities. Federal and local authorities must work together and must support one another to prevent criminal activity. Besides being unconstitutional passage of HB 62 will create confusion, cost money, and detract from supporting our communities and families. It is critical that lawmakers spend time and our resources on much needed legislation to create jobs, improve education, and pass gun laws that will truly make us safer.

For these reasons and more I ask that you withhold your support and oppose this legislation.

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