

WITNESS INFORMATION FORM

Please complete the Witness Information Form before testifying:

Date: September 21, 2021

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Do you wish to be added to the committee notice email distribution list? Yes No

Business before the committee

Legislation (Bill/Resolution Number): House Bill 327

Specific Issue: Opposition of HB 327 - Teaching full accurate history is imperative

Are you testifying as a: Proponent Opponent Interested Party

Are you testifying: In-Person Written-Only

Will you have a written statement, visual aids, or other material to distribute? Yes No

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How much time will your testimony require? _____

Please provide a brief statement on your position: I oppose HB 327. Ohio Board of Education has standards that mandate teaching ELA, social studies that allows current events and history taught in schools. I have spent over 25 years in education working to support all students and educators in their knowledge of culture, race and social well-being for all students. In my work and experience I have seen growth in understanding and collaboration among all races, ethnicity, ability, socio-economic means. Students learn and grow from each other. In order for our world to be a better place we must understand what brings us together and any differences. Nationally,

state-wide and locally schools are led by 98% white middle class people. It's important to provide cultural competency to our staff to understand our growing diverse population. The standards are preparing our students to become college and career ready. If we don't prepare our students in K-12 to be ready for our global society we are doing a disservice to this generation and the one to come. For these reasons I oppose HB 327

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