



## LAWRENCE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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Lawrence County Health Department

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Health Commissioner

Jim Meadows, MD  
Medical Director

House State and Local Government Committee  
Chairman Wiggam's Office  
77 South High Street, 13th Floor, Columbus, OH 43215

Dear Chairman Wiggam,

I am writing in opposition to House Bill 463, sponsored by Jason Stevens, by which the District Advisory Council (DAC) would be eliminated.

Lawrence County Health Department serves all of Lawrence County, which includes the city of Ironton, six villages, and fourteen townships, and we maintain a good working relationship with all. Inside millage from each of these political subdivisions supports the operations of our health department. The current system of selecting Board of Health members gives representatives from ALL political subdivisions a voice in this process.

The Board of Health member appointment and budget approval are already public processes, prescribed in law and conducted by locally elected officials. I am a member of the Association of Ohio Health Commissioners, and local public health is actively working with the bill sponsor to identify ways to make these processes more transparent to the public.

Thank you for your consideration.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Georgia Dillon/df".

Georgia Dillon, APRN, CNP  
Health Commissioner

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