

Dear “Chairman Roegner, Vice Chairman McColley, Ranking Member Craig, and members of the State and Local Government Committee:

I am testifying today in favor of SB22 as an Ohio resident deeply concerned about courses of action being taken under the current emergency powers and the dire effects it is having on all of us. I work with underserved families and the lockdowns have devastated their lives. Even those who haven't struggled before are now facing dire threats to their livelihoods. Local businesses are closing left and right. Morale is LOW. We need to think about ALL aspects of public health- including mental health (suicides, drugs, domestic violence etc are running rampant), financial health (which directly contributes to overall health and food security) and physical health (including discussing how to build our immune systems naturally, something being entirely overlooked).

This bill restores the balance of power to where it should be, between the three, COEQUAL branches of government, and finally gives a VOICE to the PEOPLE of Ohio via their legislators during a declared emergency. This way, there would be a checks and balances, increasing the likelihood that our fellow Ohioans won't have to continue to face adversity from legislative policies and mandates.

Our businesses, our economy, our social and emotional well-being and the future of our children is on the line. Our state cannot thrive under the continued oppressive and unopposed orders of our over-reaching Governor.

Please stand up and protect our personal liberties and the future of our state by voting YES on SB22!

Thank you,  
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