Senate Judiciary Committee Senate Bill 101 Written Testimony Only

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Dear Chairman Manning, Vice Chair Reynolds, Ranking Member Hicks-Hudson, and members of the Senate Judiciary Committee,

My name is Leslie Stanforth and I am a resident of Novelty, Ohio on the eastside of Cleveland. Thank you for the opportunity to submit proponent testimony on Ohio Senate Bill 101.

The moment is ripe for repeal, as over 59% of Ohioans polled by the Terrance Group support repealing the death penalty, and 24 states plus Washington D.C. have already cut ties with it. Ohio should be next and choose to value innocent lives, save tax dollars, and use funds to help crime victims by passing this bill and repealing the death penalty.

I ask you to consider my testimony and vote yes on this critically important bill. Thank you again for the opportunity to testify.

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