



June 5th, 2025

The Honorable Bernie Moreno
U.S Senate
SR-B33 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Jon Husted
U.S Senate
SR-198 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senators Moreno and Husted,

As members of the Ohio House Technology and Innovation Committee, we write to express our concerns regarding Section 43201, subsection (c) of H.R. 1, which proposes a ten-year moratorium preventing states and political subdivisions from “limiting, restricting, or otherwise regulating artificial intelligence models, artificial intelligence systems, or automated decision systems entered into interstate commerce.” Despite our diverse perspectives and political affiliations, we stand united in our opposition to this provision.

Artificial intelligence (AI) is rapidly transforming every sector of society. This unprecedented growth brings with it extraordinary opportunities, but also profound risks in areas traditionally regulated by the states, such as education or public safety. Because AI increasingly impacts the very same areas states are already responsible for, it is essential that we maintain the authority to respond to these challenges with the flexibility needed.

Our committee has now been working for months understanding and crafting policy around the responsible use of AI in Ohio. We are actively engaging with experts, stakeholders, and communities to develop solutions that reflect Ohio's unique priorities, demographics, and business landscape. A blanket federal prohibition on state-level regulation would undermine these efforts and shortchange our constituents by denying us the ability to create policies that work best for our communities.

We urge you, in your capacity as Senators of Ohio in the United States Senate, to advocate for the removal of this language from H.R. 1. States like ours are not only capable of thoughtful, effective regulation, we are already doing it. The people of Ohio deserve a voice in how AI impacts their lives, and this ban would unjustly take that voice away.

Thank you for your attention to this critical matter.

Sincerely,

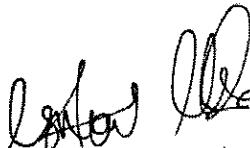
Members of the Ohio House Technology and Innovation Committee



Thaddeus J. Claggett
Ohio House District 68
Chairman



Heidi Workman
Ohio House District 72
Vice Chair



Ismail Mohamed
Ohio House District 3
Ranking Member



Steve Demetriou
Ohio House District 35



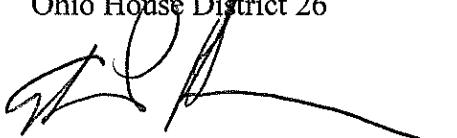
Sedrick Denson
Ohio House District 26



Ron Ferguson
Ohio House District 96



Thomas Hall
Ohio House District 46



Adam Holmes
Ohio House District 97



Ty D. Matthews
Ohio House District 83



Riordan T. McClain
Ohio House District 87



Melanie Miller
Ohio House District 67



Erika White
Ohio House District 41