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May 15, 2015

Senator Bill Coley
Chair, Government Oversight and Reform Committee
Ohio Senate
1 Capitol Square, 1st Floor
Columbus, OH 43215

Re: Support for H.B. 5

Dear Chairman Coley:

On behalf of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) and our 60 member local governments and regional organizations in Central Ohio, I would like to express our support of H.B. 5, which provides additional tools to increase local government collaboration and efficiencies in two key ways:

1. Addressing local governments' liability concerns with the ShareOhio program in order to increase participation in sharing heavy equipment resources among political subdivisions and ultimately saving public resources; and
2. Allowing a local public office to request that the auditor of state conduct a business case study to determine how such an office may achieve greater efficiency and provide funding to cover this beneficial service.

MORPC is supportive of public policy that promotes and advances government efficiency and collaboration at all levels. We appreciate that H.B. 5 makes meaningful improvements to the ShareOhio program so that more local governments will feel comfortable participating in the program and therefore save public resources.

As H.B. 5 is reviewed and discussed in the Senate, we would encourage you to give this bill prompt consideration in committee. MORPC staff and members are available to discuss these issues further. Please feel free to contact me directly at (614) 233-4101 or wmurdock@morpc.org.

Kind regards,

William Murdock, AICP
Executive Director

cc:	Sen. Kevin Bacon	Sen. Chris Widener
	Sen. Charleta Tavares	Sen. Jim Hughes
	Sen. Bob Peterson	Sen. Kris Jordan
	Sen. Troy Balderson	Sen. Dave Burke
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April 17, 2015

The Honorable Clifford A. Rosenberger
Speaker
Ohio House of Representatives
Riffe Center, 14th Floor
77 S. High St.
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cc:	Rep. Stephanie Kunze (co-sponsor)	Rep. Margaret Ann Ruhl
	Rep. Kyle Koehler (co-sponsor)	Rep. Scott Ryan
	Rep. Michael Curtin	Rep. Bill Hayes
	Rep. Michael Stinziano	Rep. Bob Hackett

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