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**Representative Combs**

**Cosponsors: Representatives Beck, Maag, Adams, J., Newbold, Hayes,  
Johnson, Bulp, Goodwin, Buchy, Brenner, Ruhl, Baker**

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**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To express the General Assembly's support of the 1  
efforts of the State of Arizona to control illegal 2  
immigration. 3

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE  
OF OHIO (THE SENATE CONCURRING):**

WHEREAS, The United States has a rich tradition of extending 4  
the promise and opportunity of America to immigrants who come here 5  
legally; and 6

WHEREAS, Americans recognize the contributions that 7  
generations of immigrants legally entering this country have made 8  
to the economy and culture of the United States; and 9

WHEREAS, Immigration that is both legal and controlled allows 10  
immigrants coming to America to assimilate into the culture of 11  
their adoptive home and, therefore, more readily reap the benefits 12  
available to all who reside legally within the borders of the 13  
United States; and 14

WHEREAS, The federal government, through lax enforcement of 15  
federal immigration laws, has failed to protect our nation's 16  
borders, our citizens, and our legal residents; and 17

WHEREAS, The State of Arizona, to protect its citizens, legal 18

residents, and visitors, has enacted state immigration legislation 19  
and taken legal action to enforce federal immigration laws; and 20

WHEREAS, The federal government's failure to enforce federal 21  
immigration laws and to secure the Mexican-American border has 22  
burdened Ohio and other states with a proliferation of illicit 23  
drugs and placed an unforeseen financial strain on local and state 24  
governments; and 25

WHEREAS, The rule of law has been, and should continue to be, 26  
the basis of governance in this country; now therefore be it 27

RESOLVED, That the General Assembly of the State of Ohio 28  
supports the State of Arizona's right and responsibility to 29  
provide security and stability for its citizens and Arizona's 30  
efforts to protect its citizens, residents, and visitors by 31  
seeking the enforcement of federal immigration laws; and be it 32  
further 33

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives 34  
transmit duly authenticated copies of this resolution to the 35  
Speaker and Clerk of the United States House of Representatives, 36  
the President Pro Tempore and Secretary of the United States 37  
Senate, the members of the Ohio Congressional delegation, and the 38  
news media of Ohio. 39