

February 17, 1937

Honorable Henry F. Ashurst, Chairman Senate Judiciary Committee Washington, D.C.

Dear Senator Ashurst:

The Ohio Chamber of Commerce, which is the largest state-wide business organization in Ohio having in its membership all classes and types of business, respectfully petitions the Judiciary Committee of the United States Senate not to make a favorable report on S. 10 (O'Mahoney).

We believe the passage of this bill would seriously shake business and public confidence and would give recovery a severe and permanent setback.

The system of licensing industry and the basis upon which these licenses to operate may be withdrawn, as provided in the bill, are repugnant to the principles upon which the American system of government was founded.

We shall be glad to go into greater detail as to the reasons prompting our opposition to the O'Mahoney Bill, if your Committee desires. I do want you to know, however, that the provisions of the bill were carefully considered by the Federal Affairs Committee of the Chamber, and the recommendation of opposition by our Committee was ratified unanimously by the Board of Directors of the Chamber.

Respectfully submitted

Secretary

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