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## Ohio Chamber of Commerce Conducts Safety Study as a Result of CBS News Report Naming Five Ohio Cities as "Deadliest U.S. Cities"

COLUMBUS, OHIO – The Ohio Chamber of Commerce announced today that the association would be conducting a study of their membership on the effect of public safety on their businesses. This comes as a direct result of a recent report released by CBS News on the "Deadliest U.S. Cities." CLICK HERE for the full article from CBS News.

"The safety of our communities remains fundamental to our state's ability to attract and retain businesses and that makes it a priority for the Ohio Chamber," Ohio Chamber CEO Steve Stivers said. "The State of Ohio has made it clear that the issue of public safety is a priority, making over \$100 million in grants available to local law enforcement; however, there is still more to be done. This survey will help to identify day-to-day issues Ohio's businesses face when it comes to public safety and continue the conversation on how best to improve safety across the state."

Ohio had 5 cities show up on the list:

- 5. Dayton
- 10. Cleveland
- 19. Cincinnati
- 49. Akron
- 57. Toledo

The Ohio Chamber has already been focused on the issue of safety with legislation on the proposed constitutional amendment created to ensure that public safety is considered by judges when determining bail. The Chamber has also engaged on the issue of second chance hiring.

The Ohio Chamber is the state's leading business advocate and represents thousands of companies that do business in Ohio. Our mission is to aggressively champion free enterprise, economic competitiveness and growth for the benefit of all Ohioans.

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