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Chairman Coleman, Chairman Fox and Honorable members of the Judiciary Committee, I am here to testify in strong support of H.B. 6556 An Act Concerning Civil Actions and Subpoenas Filed to Harass an Individual or After Numerous Actions Against the Individual Have Been Dismissed. I would like to thank the chairmen and committee members for bringing this proposal forward for a public hearing.

I am here testifying before you today because this bill addresses a very real problem. I have constituents who are dealing with this issue right now. There are so many instances where victims of domestic violence or other types of crime are further victimized by the perpetrator of these crimes by being taken to court repeatedly for frivolous lawsuits.

These lawsuits can cost the victim thousands and thousands of dollars on top of all that they have lost from being victims of crimes. There needs to be a way to protect people from further harassment, in some cases these lawsuits are filed by the perpetrator while they are still incarcerated for the crime they committed against the victim.

We need to protect these victims from being victimized further. I thank you for your consideration of this bill.