

This email is to inform you that I am in favor of **H.B. No. 5262 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE PRESERVATION OF CERTAIN TRAILS AND AREAS FOR EQUINE USE.**

Purpose: To preserve certain areas as horse trails.

As a horse owner and trail rider I believe that the trails currently in use need to be preserved. With the development of our farmland and other open lands the trails that were once open for trail riders are being slowly lost with nothing to replace them. It would be a shame that if in the future we were to lose more trails as a result of no action being taken.

As you make a decision to add more trails to the existing list please take into consideration what you will be doing to protect these trails for future generations of trail riders.

Respectfully submitted,

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