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Public Testimony  
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#### TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HOUSE BILL 5228 AN ACT CONCERNING CHEMICAL ROAD TREATMENTS.

Dear Senator Maynard, Representative Guerrero, Sen Boucher, Representative Scribner and other esteemed members of the Transportation Committee,

I have deep concerns on the chemicals we are using on our state roads these days and I wanted to share a brief personal story regarding my own situation. On 12/18/2014 I found myself in a situation of losing the brakes while driving down the road in a snow storm, thank goodness for the big yellow plow on the front to stop me.

\$986.91 later I now have new "Nickel Plated" brake lines. While this chemical is supposed to save the state money in regards to sweeping up the sand at the end of the season, at what expense to not only the citizens pocket books but their lives.

What is the chemical doing to our water ways? I understand there may be an additive we could use to stabilize the corrosive portion of the product.

Is there a product the consumer can use to wash their cars to help prevent what I went through? Yes our roads may be cleaner faster but at what expense to our good tax paying citizens?

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jay Case".

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