

Testimony Concerning HB 5315
Environment Committee, February 24, 2016
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I would like to thank the Environment Committee for the opportunity to express my support of HB 5315, *"An act concerning the prevention of the habituation of potentially dangerous animals, the posting of informational notices concerning encounters with wildlife and that status of snapping turtles under state law."*

Quite simply, requiring the signage in state parks and forests educating people on what to do if they encounter bears would serve as an excellent act of proactive legislation that would help to minimize human vs. bear encounters and thus minimize fears regarding human lives being in danger. Education is what is needed in this State, not the killing of bears.

Thank you for giving me an opportunity to testify and I do hope you will strongly support this important piece of legislation.

Thank you,

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