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Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee

Senate Bill 119 – Opponent Testimony

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Chairman Schaffer, Vice Chair Landis, Ranking Member Hicks-Hudson and members of the Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee,

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Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony on Senate Bill 119.

As Chairman of our Crawford County Solid Waste District I was surprised to learn that SB 119 was introduced to solve landfill issues across the State of Ohio without considering the policies and procedures of individual operations.

Here in Crawford County our single county district Solid Waste Policy Committee sets and manages the fees for Crawford County. We have a conservative budget and adjusts our fees if needed. Having SB 119 dictate an extremely high increase in fees without justification of needed funds in our district is wrong on so many levels.

I cannot support such extreme fee increases to our customers.

I find it hard to believe that this bill was introduced without consulting us on anything concerning our landfill. There is no one size fits all and quite frankly I would encourage this Bill be dropped or modified to address the real issues in Seneca County and leave Crawford County out of it.

Chairman Schaffer, Vice Chair Landis, Ranking Member Hicks-Hudson, and Members of the Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee, thank you for your time and consideration on this important matter.

Crawford County Commissioner,

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Chairman Of the Crawford County Solid Waste District