Written Testimony of Lee Ann Landstrom on HF1683 DE1

I write in support of this forward-thinking legislation. As most people know, the numbers of pollinators and their predators, the birds, have been declining in orders of magnitude. Loss of habitat is a large factor, as well as insecticide use.

I support this bill which will "establish a state roadside program to significantly enhance roadsides with needed pollinator habitat and pollution buffers to protect declining pollinator and bird populations, to protect water quality and prevent soil erosion". This sort of wide-ranging legislation will indeed help the future of our environment and the creatures that need the wild spaces.

Please think of the future and pass this bill.

-Lee Ann Landstrom

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