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Senate Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee  
Chair Brian Feldman  
Vice Chair Cheryl Kagan  
2 West Miller Senate Office Building  
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**Testimony in Support of Senate Bill SB 854 – Agriculture – Nuisance Insects**

Chair Feldman, Vice Chair Kagan, and Members of the EEE Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to present SB 854. The bill requires, rather than authorizes, the Secretary of the Department of Agriculture to implement a program to control or eliminate specific nuisance insects from a certain region of Southern Washington County. The cost of this program will be split evenly between the state and the Washington County Government.

The continual and maintenance spraying in this region will help to control the nuisance insect population and allow Marylanders who live in this area to enjoy outdoor activities without fear of being bothered by the persistent biting and swarming behavior exhibited by these flies.

Thank you for your consideration and I respectfully ask for a favorable report on SB 854.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'P.D. Corderman'.

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