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Testimony for Senate Bill 997
Correctional Officers' Retirement System - Talbot County
Appropriations Committee
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Madam Chair McIntosh and Honorable Members of the Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to present **Senate Bill 997 Correctional Officers' Retirement System - Talbot County**. Membership in the Correctional Officers' Retirement System is available to state correctional officers and other eligible state employees, as well as local detention center officers of counties and municipal corporations that have elected to become participating governmental units in the Correctional Officers' Retirement System. This bill would authorize the Talbot County local detention center officers to participate in the Correctional Officers' Retirement System (CORS).

This legislation is a local bill that was requested by the Talbot County Council, and is a response to efforts to increase recruitment and retention of staff in Talbot County. It had passed unanimously in the Senate.

Thank you for your consideration and I respectfully ask for a favorable report of Senate Bill 997.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Addie C. Eckardt".

Senator Addie C. Eckardt