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## ***TESTIMONY - SENATE BILL 155***

### ***PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – NATURAL RESOURCES – SUNDAY DEER HUNTING AND ARCHERY HUNTING SAFETY ZONES***

***EDUCATION, ENERGY, & THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE***

***MARCH 9, 2023***

Chair Feldman, Vice Chair Kagan and Committee Members:

Senate Bill 155 is a very straightforward bill that (with the amendment before you from the Prince George's County Senate Delegation) simply adds legislative districts 26 and 27 to the group of over 20 counties that allow Sunday deer hunting. Additionally, it reduces the required safety distance for archery hunters from 150 yards to 50 yards (from a dwelling house, residence, church, or any other building or camp occupied by human beings).

Existing Sunday hunting laws, and archery hunting restrictions, in Southern Prince George's County are a significant restriction on the ability to properly manage the local deer herd and this legislation would allow this region a better means of resolving the related difficulties and associated traffic safety issues that it currently faces.

**For the reasons listed above, I ask for a favorable report of Senate Bill 155.**



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AMENDMENTS  
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BY: Prince George's County Senators  
(To be offered in the Education, Energy, and the Environment  
Committee)

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 155  
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 5, after “in” insert “certain legislative districts in”; in line 6, after “adding” insert “certain legislative districts in”; and in the same line, strike “counties” and substitute “areas”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, in line 11, after “(III)” insert “THE 26TH AND 27TH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS IN”.

On page 6, in line 20, after the first “County,” insert “THE 26TH AND 27TH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS IN”.

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PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY SENATE DELEGATION

March 2, 2023

Senator Brian Feldman, Chair  
Senate Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee  
2W Miller Senate Office Building  
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Dear Chair Feldman,

Please let this letter serve as official notice of the unanimous vote (8-0) of the Prince George's County Senate Delegation in support of Senate Bill 155 (Natural Resources Sunday Deer Hunting and Archery Safety Zones – Prince George's County) with the attached amendment to limit the bill to legislative districts 26 and 27 in Southern Prince George's County.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of several loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Senator Michael A. Jackson, Chair  
Prince George's County Senate Delegation