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Testimony in Support of Senate Bill SB 428 – Washington County – Deputy Sheriffs and Correctional Deputies – Employment Conditions & Collective Bargaining

Chairman Smith, Vice Chair Waldstreicher, & Members of the Judicial Proceedings Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to present SB 428 this afternoon. As the state of Maryland continues to improve police/public relations, it is important that we recruit and retain professional and competent men and women to serve our communities. In an effort to increase morale and include both public safety and corrections employees in the discussion surrounding benefits and compensation, we are presenting this bill, which would afford Patrol Deputies (sworn Law Officers) and Correctional Deputies the opportunity to participate in collective bargaining. This bill is supported unanimously by the Washington County Board of County Commissioners, as well as the National Correctional Employees Union.

Thank you for your consideration and I respectfully ask for a favorable report on SB 428.

Sincerely,

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

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