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Senate Pensions Subcommittee  
Chair Michael A. Jackson  
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**Testimony in Support of Senate Bill 604 – Judges’ Retirement System – Special Death Benefit**

Chair Jackson & Members of the Senate Pensions Subcommittee,

Thank you for the opportunity to present SB 604 – Judges’ Retirement System – Special Death Benefit.

This bill establishes a line of duty death benefit for Members of the JRS system, consistent with the benefits for most other plans with the state. It also ensures that JRS survivors receiving the benefit are eligible to participate in the State health plan, just like survivors in the other plans. This bill also includes a retroactive provision to allow for any affected surviving spouses to apply for the benefit, so that all instances of line of duty member deaths are treated equitably.

Thank you for your consideration and I respectfully ask for a favorable report on SB 604.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Paul D. Corderman".

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