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TESTIMONY - SENATE BILL 272

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

EDUCATION, ENERGY, & THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

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Chair Feldman, Vice Chair Kagan and Committee Members:

Senate Bill 272 is a very straightforward bill that simply allows deer hunting on private property each Sunday of the deer bow season. 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 Prince George's County are a significant restriction on the ability to properly manage the local deer herd. This legislation would allow our county a better means of resolving the related difficulties and associated traffic and public safety issues brought about by the overpopulation of deer.

For the reasons listed above, I ask for a favorable report of Senate Bill 272.