



Dear Chair and Members of the Committee,

My name is Jon Bisset, and I serve as Executive Director of River Valley Ranch in Carroll County.

River Valley Ranch encompasses significant forested acreage where outdoor programming occurs throughout the year. During deer firearms season, we have a number of staff and permitted guests who hunt on the property, and safety protocols are carefully managed and clearly communicated.

Allowing surveyors to enter private property during active firearms season without written landowner permission raises legitimate safety concerns. Introducing individuals into the property without coordination increases risk and complicates established safety procedures.

Property owners must retain clear authority over access during firearms season to ensure the safety of guests, staff, and permitted hunters.

This bill appropriately protects both property rights and public safety.

I respectfully request a favorable report.

Sincerely,

Jon Bisset
Executive Director
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