

Testimony in support of H7074: Construction and Maintenance of State Roads

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To Chair Bennett and the honorable Members of the House Environment and Natural Resources Committee:

I would ask that you pass H7074. It is extremely disappointing that a key state department would not, on its own, provide for such reasonable actions on behalf of such key species as pollinators on state owned and controlled land whenever and wherever it is reasonable. This action should not even need legislation... it should simply be departmental practice and policy to use its available land for such a critical and worthwhile action. It is also quite frustrating that the legislature, due to its inaction, results in putting the onus on citizens to request year after year that our government conduct simple actions on behalf of the environment and critical pollinators. Please let us focus on other issues by passing this law this year.