Chairperson Craven and Members of House Judiciary Committee,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to House Bill 5667, which would require all campus police officers to be equipped with ballistic body armor.

I believe that the decision to wear body armor should be left to the individual officer, as they already have the option to wear it if they choose. There is no reason to mandate this requirement for all officers, especially when they already have the freedom to make that choice.

I urge you to vote no on this bill so that it will not advance to the House floor for a vote.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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