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Chairman Humphries and Committee Members:

I respectfully submit my support of HB 2389.

A victim of sexual assault has had their life violated in the most intimate way. They not only face the physical trauma but the emotional effect of feeling their world No longer has any safety boundaries. When a victim submits themselves to full cooperation with law enforcement to ensure that evidence of the crime is complete they should have some confidence that their assailant, if arrested, will not be back on the street tomorrow.

HB 2389 helps to assure that a person arrested for rape who has a prior history of sexual assault will not be allowed bail on their first appearance.

I ask for your vote to pass HB 2389 out of committee favorably.

Respectfully,

/S/ Pat Pettey

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