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Thank you Chairman Hayzlette, Vice-Chair Arpke, Ranking Minority Leader Grant, and members of the committee for hearing **HB 2556**–Establishing a safety corridor program.

Please accept my sincere apology for not appearing in person but I have two bills pending action today in Commerce & Economic Development, of which I am Chairperson.

This is an important piece of legislation for the Legislature to consider. My home community was recently rocked by a cross over accident on K-10 Highway that left many injured and resulted in deaths of two individuals. My hope is that we can prevent a needless death by adopting this bill. I am in full support of **HB 2556**.

I am also concerned about the increased fines. Most of the fines will be levied on the citizens that use K-10, and most of these are the same citizens I currently represent. That being said, I have also had numerous conversations with people in our district and most were comfortable with additional fines if it will lessen the likelihood of additional deaths on K-10 Highway.

My hope is that this committee will consider the bill favorably and pass it out for additional discussion in the House Chamber.

Thank you.

Anthony R. Brown