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Chair Abrams, Vice Chair Miller, and members of the House Public Safety Committee, thank you for the opportunity to present sponsor testimony on House Bill 241.

As my joint sponsor stated, this bill would create a ten-day impound period for dogs who have attacked or killed a person while an investigation of the attack takes place. Too often, dogs are left in the care of owners even after they attack, even after they kill. This is unacceptable and spawned by a flawed loophole in our laws that allow dogs to stay at home during the initial quarantine period after an attack occurs.

Victims and families of victims should not have to worry about a dog who has attacked already being left at home to possibly attack again. This bill would close this loophole and would create due process for all parties involved.

We look forward to working with this committee on House Bill 241 and welcome any questions you may have.