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Sponsor Testimony – HB 613  
Enact Sunset Review Recommendations  
House Government Accountability and Oversight Committee  
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Chairman Blessing and members of the House Government Accountability and Oversight Committee, thank you for the opportunity to actually bring HB 613 after giving you a preview the week before last.

This morning the Joint Sunset Review Committee recommended the substitute bill that is now being offered for further consideration in this committee. I also expect the same version to be substituted into HB 471 tomorrow in a parallel fashion tomorrow. That bill passed the House on May 11, 2016 unanimously to start the groove for a set of actions that we are tasked with completing by the end of this general assembly.

As for the substance of the bill to come, let me overview it this way:

- First, contains the language of our House-passed version.
- Second, it contains the language in the introduced version of HB 616, which is recommending corrections and improvements in the sunset review process itself going forward. These are not major changes, but should improve and clarify the process for the future.
- Third, it contains a series of re-authorizations, sunsets and revisions with re-authorizations.

We have a number of documents that will provide these various lists and analysis of proposed revisions. Just to be clear, we need to act to complete this work or more than 200 boards and commissions will cease to exist at the end of this year. That would be a big problem.

I do expect that our previously passed HB 471 will be the final vehicle, so as we review this in greater detail and hear from interested parties, perhaps through fellow members, or from the administration, I look forward to working with you and with the Senate so that, if any adjustments are called for, we can attempt to achieve a bill in which the House can concur when the Senate sends it to us in a matter of days – probably next week.

Thank you for the opportunity for accommodating this hearing and the one you have scheduled for tomorrow.