Mellor, Greg Hamilton County Resident Proponent Testimony, SB 54 Senate Judiciary Committee June 7, 2019

Chairman Eklund, Vice Chair Manning, Ranking Member Thomas and members of the Senate Judiciary Committee,

Thank you for allowing me to testify today. My name is Greg Mellor, and I am thirty-seven year-old professional and life-long member of the Catholic Church. I strongly support SB 54.

As you may know, the ACLU expects that with this bill, 5-10% of persons currently on death row will be eligible for re-sentencing. Further, you may also know that the evidence is clear that the use of the death penalty in the United States is ineffective as a deterrent of serious crime and it is racially biased.

I ask you to consider my testimony and vote yes on this critical and overdue bill. Thank you again for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely, Greg Mellor