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Chairman Kick, Vice Chair Lear, Ranking Member Rodgers, and members of the House Energy and Natural Resources Committee, thank you for allowing me to testify in opposition to SB 119.

My name is Paul Rasmusson, our company Creekside Landfill, LLC will be negatively impacted by SB 119. I am submitting this letter in opposition to SB 119.

Currently, state levied C&DD fees provide local boards of health a minimum of \$0.20 per cubic yard of C&DD material disposed of in the health district. The proposed SB 119 "permissive fee" would allow for a **1100% increase** per ton disposed in funding to the health departments. This also represents an over **330% increase** in the total fees levied on the disposal of C&DD.

Ohio businesses manage Construction and Demolition Debris generated by the communities in Ohio. Burdening all of Ohio's construction projects, brown field development projects, blighted home removal projects and renovations projects across the state of Ohio with an allowed for **330% increase in taxes is not prudent.**

SB 119 also creates two completely different methods of levying fees assessed on the disposal of CDD, creating a significant burden on the CDD industry. For example, SB 119 new fees require the fees be assessed by the ton, while existing CDD disposal fees can be assessed by the CY. Levying fees in two distinctly different ways, significantly increases the regulatory burden, which has not been considered.

I hope this body recognizes that adding additional tax and regulatory burden to Ohio businesses and citizens is not a beneficial change to Ohio's Construction and Demolition Debris management program.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Paul Rasmusson'.

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