

Good afternoon Chairman Schaffer, Vice Chair Landis, Ranking Member Hicks-Hudson and the members of the Senate Agricultural and Natural Resources Committee. My name is Trish Bryon and I am a Seneca County resident. I am writing today to offer written proponent testimony for SB119.

I attended the hearing on May 30, 2023. I did not give testimony but I must say, every proponent testimony that I witnessed could have been what I would have spoken about. We are concerned about health. Health of our children, our grandchildren, our family, our friends, everyone around our community and anyone living around the Sunny Farms Landfill or living along the creeks, rivers and lakes that these toxins contaminate and will continue to contaminate.

I would like to tell you something I observed while in the room during testimony. I listened to every opponent and proponent. I saw almost every opponent that gave testimony leave immediately after they spoke. What I heard each opponent speak of was money, one way or other it was about money.

I saw every proponent give testimony and return to their seat. They did not leave. I listened to every proponent speak about health concerns, wanting compliance from Sunny Farms Landfill to make sure health concerns are met and to not bring in more and more toxins from other states via railcars.

I believe health is more important than money. My grandfather told me when he was failing, take care of your health because all the money in the world means nothing if you don't have your health. True, so true.

I thank Senator Reineke for the introduction of SB119. I thank you and ask that you will please consider approval of SB119.

Sincerely

Trish Bryon