



Representative Bobby Levy

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Chair Kropf, Vice Chair Andersen, Vice Chair Wallan and other members of the committee,

For the record, my name is Bobby Levy, state representative for House District 58. I am testifying today to express my support of House Bill 2304.

Retired law enforcement dogs are highly trained canines that have been working and serving the entirety of their lives. When they can no longer perform their duties and are retired, the expenses are taken on by someone who volunteers to care for the dog. This bill would award grants for the retired law enforcement dog to be taken care of. Medical expenses and daily care are the main areas of reimbursement. Currently fundraisers and smaller agencies are engaged in this support. These dogs served the government, they should be taken care of even after they have been retired. The burden should no longer rest solely on the caretaker.

Best,
Rep. Bobby Levy, HD 58