Chair Beyer & committee members,

As a small employer and long time DV activist I want to take a few minutes of your time to encourage you to vote in favor of HB 2903. This is very fair to all parties, does not add costs to the employer and gives vastly improved ability to victims to deal with the anything but efficient justice system and procedures. With nearly 20% of the female work force having experienced domestic violence or a continuing version or after effects, we need to find additional opportunities to add safety to their lives while maintaining the skills needed in our business. A job either part time or full time is often the crucial life item to keep a victim from having to return to a dangerous living environment.

I hope you will agree.

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