

Dear Honorable Committee Members

I had planned to be at the hearing for this bill, but due to an unexpected appointment, I am unable to be there, so am emailing in my comments.

I totally support this bill. Not only is unsecured carrying of a dog or other pet on the external part of a vehicle dangerous for the pet, it is dangerous for other drivers due to the distraction, and possibility of the animal falling out in traffic, or jumping out and attacking another pet at a stop.

I have found myself being very distracted by a dog running around in the back of a pickup truck, especially as I constantly worried if it would fall out, or if it was safe in the truck. It made it hard to keep my eyes safely on the road and other cars.

Please pass this bill.

Sincerely,

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