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Good morning, Chairman and committee members.

I sponsored SB2313 because I believe that we should recognize that landowners being forced to sell property are in a different position than landowners that choose to sell. A forced sale can have significant impacts on the ongoing operation beyond just the value of the land. The intent of this bill is to increase the value of just compensation recognizing that landowners can receive market price when they willingly sell land. They should be paid more when the sale is forced.

The bill was unfortunately turned into a study and I ask that this become a shall study and then I respectfully ask you give SB2313 a due pass.