



TESTIMONY
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CONNECTICUT CONFERENCE OF MUNICIPALITIES
TO THE
LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES COMMITTEE

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CCM is Connecticut's statewide association of towns and cities and the voice of local governments - your partners in governing Connecticut. Our members represent over 93% of Connecticut's population. We appreciate this opportunity to testify before this joint committee on issues of concern to towns and cities.

Raised Bill 6187 "An Act Mandating Employers Provide Paid Sick Leave to Employees"

Raised Bill 6187 would, among other things, mandate that most towns and cities provide paid sick days to their employees for use for the employee's sickness, the employee's child's sickness, or to deal with sexual assault or family violence issues.

CCM is sympathetic to the intent of this proposal however, **Raised Bill 6187 – similar to last year's proposal – is an unfunded state mandate on municipalities.** In an economy where local officials are struggling to sustain critical services – amidst growing deficits and evaporating revenues – this bill would negatively impact hometown budgets.

CCM urges you to **take no action on Raised Bill 6187.**



If you have any questions, please call Bob Labanara or Ron Thomas of CCM, at (203) 498-3000