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Offered by:
REP. LAWLOR, 99th Dist.

To: House Bill No. 6012

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**"AN ACT CONCERNING MURDER WITH SPECIAL
CIRCUMSTANCES."**

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. Section 53a-46a of the general statutes is amended by
4 adding subsection (j) as follows (*Effective from passage*):

5 (NEW) (j) At the conclusion of the presentation of evidence and
6 prior to closing arguments, the court shall allow the defendant a
7 reasonable opportunity to make a personal statement in his or her
8 behalf to the jury or, if there is no jury, to the court without being
9 sworn or subject to cross-examination."