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TESTIMONY PRESENTED TO THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE IN SUPPORT OF S.B. NO. 599 (RAISED) "AN ACT CONCERNING THE OPERATION OF SNOWMOBILES, ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES AND OTHER MOTOR VEHICLES WHILE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF INTOXICATING LIQUOR OR ANY DRUG "

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Mother's Against Drunk Driving (MADD) joins forces with the Connecticut Chief State's Attorney's Office and other law enforcement agencies in Connecticut in requesting that the Judiciary Committee joint favorably vote out S.B. No. 599 for action by the full General Assembly.

S.B. No. 599 is a logical and important piece of legislation in closing another loophole in the War on drunk driving. Each year in this country nearly there are nearly 17,000 fatalities that are the result of drunk driving crashes. A drunk driver behind the wheel of an all-terrain vehicle or a snowmobile in a public or private setting is just as dangerous to himself and others as a drunk driver in an automobile on a public road.

We must send out the message loud and clear that driving any motorized vehicle under the influence of alcohol or drugs is unsafe and will be prosecuted. It is important that we passed this legislation so that law enforcement will have another tool to help save lives.