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REGARDING BILL #: HB 5812 (Megan's Law Enhancements Bill)

An act concerning the registration and supervision of sexual offenders

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Dear Judiciary Committee Member:

The Connecticut Children's Alliance urges you to support the proposed Megan's Law Enhancements Bill in order to ensure that sexual predators are found, prosecuted and appropriately monitored, and that their victims are subsequently protected and have access to appropriate services.

In order for Megan's Law to be effective and meaningful, offenders must be identified and prosecuted. The role of Connecticut's Multidisciplinary Intervention Teams (MDT) and Children's Advocacy Centers (CAC) is crucial in this effort.

MDTs and CACs coordinate investigation activities of child victims of sexual abuse. These efforts:

- Support the successful prosecution of sexual offenders, and
- Ensure that victim's rights are recognized and honored.

Attached is information to assist you in further understanding the role that Connecticut's MDTs and CACs play in the investigation/prosecution process, and how victim's integrity and rights are respected and upheld.

If you desire further information, please do not hesitate to contact either of us.

Sincerely,

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