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I appreciate the opportunity to address you on HB5069. My name is Patricia Monahan. I have had the privilege of serving the taxpayers of Killingly for twenty six years and have been a member of the Connecticut Tax Collector's Association for the same. I am proud to be apart of an organization that prides itself in providing a fair an equitable system for the taxpayers of Connecticut.

Many Collectors' have interrupted C.G.S. 7-258 to mean that they have the same tools available for the collection of sewer charges, including use of a tax warrant as for municipal taxes. HB 5069 changes this interruption into clear law. My only concern is that when Sections 5, 6, and 7 say that a "tax" or "property tax" includes any municipal water rates or charges, sewerage assessments or installments thereof, sewerage connection or use charges and charges for the collection and disposal of garbage, trash, rubbish, waste material and ashes. It could be misconstrued as excluding the other types of taxes. I would like to recommend that these three sections should instead say "includes but is not limited to" just to make it clear.

I support HB#5069 as it further supports our effects for consistency throughout the state.

Thank you for your time today as well as your commitment to the residents of Connecticut.

Kindest Regards,

Patricia Monahan