



TESTIMONY

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CONNECTICUT CONFERENCE OF MUNICIPALITIES

to the

JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

April 10, 2007

The Connecticut Conference of Municipalities appreciates the opportunity to testify on the following bill of interest to towns and cities:

R.B. 1240, "An Act Concerning Eyewitness Identification"

CCM has concerns with this bill.

R.B. 1240 would establish detailed procedures to which police departments would have to adhere regarding police lineups.

We understand that the Connecticut Police Chiefs Association and others developed model guidelines, and that most, if not all, police departments use the guidelines. Mandating a set, detailed process does not allow police departments the needed flexibility to deal with differing and complex cases.

CCM urges the Committee to further study the issue and its implications.

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If you have any questions, please call Ron Thomas or Gian-Carl Casa of CCM at (203) 498-3000.