



TESTIMONY  
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CONNECTICUT CONFERENCE OF MUNICIPALITIES  
TO THE  
LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES COMMITTEE

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The Connecticut Conference of Municipalities (CCM) appreciates the opportunity to testify on the following bill of interest to towns and cities.

**Proposed H.B. 5703, "An Act Concerning Surviving Spouses of Certain Members of the Municipal Employees' Retirement Fund"**

This bill would mandate that a surviving spouse of a member of the Municipal Employees' Retirement Fund who dies before they retire, receive 100% straight life annuity.

CCM has concerns about the potential fiscal impact this new state mandate will have on towns and cities. Without a full fiscal analysis, it is difficult to determine its total effect on municipalities.

Therefore, *CCM asks the Committee to obtain a full fiscal analysis on H.B. 5703* before taking any action on this proposal.



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