

In SUPPORT of S.B. 153

Brenda Lewis is a Corrections Officer for the State of Connecticut. On March 16, 1998 she responded to a Code Blue (fight between inmates) at the Department of Corrections Weston Street facility. After breaking up the fight one of the inmates bit her on the left arm in the biceps area. The bite has left a permanent scar on Ms. Lewis' arm. The scar consists of the prisoner's teeth marks. Every time Ms. Lewis sees the scar it reminds her of what that inmate did to her.

Under current Connecticut law Ms. Lewis is not entitled to compensation for this scar. However, by passing S.B. 153 compensation could be awarded for injuries like this one.

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