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My Testimony in support of HB5596 , An Act Concerning the right to dry.

I think it is very important for anyone to have the option to use a clothesline and dry outside. It saves money on your fuel bill, it saves energy and it saves wear and tear on clothes. It eliminates the use of those nasty softeners which gum up dryer vents and are responsible for starting fires.

Clothes from the line smell wonderful-- there is nothing like fresh bedsheets from the line. Not being able to have a clothesline has stopped me from buying a condo.

Where do these people hang wet sandy towels and dripping bathing suits, etc. Smoke tainted clothing get refreshed just by hanging outside, no cleaners required.

Clothes line areas can be made attractive. People should be able to choose to line dry in these days of high energy costs, global warming and accumulating environmental toxins.