



STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION



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Environment Committee

Testimony Submitted by Commissioner Gina McCarthy  
Department of Environment Protection

**Proposed House Bill No. 5209 AN ACT CONCERNING STATE LAND WHERE  
HUNTING IS PERMITTED**

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Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony regarding Proposed House Bill No. 5209, AN ACT CONCERNING STATE LAND WHERE HUNTING IS PERMITTED. The Department strongly supports the concept of this Bill.

The Department believes that it is very important to maintain hunting opportunities on State land where hunting is permitted in order to preserve Connecticut's hunting heritage for future generations. We are happy to work with the proponents of the bill to make certain the concept can be accomplished within the existing resources of the agency

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony on this proposal. If you should require any additional information, please contact the Department's legislative liaison, Robert LaFrance, at 860-424-3401.