

Proposed Bill No. 5160  
LCO No. 686

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Testifying at Hearing  
Kathleen Miller  
Of New Haven Connecticut

Bill No. 5160  
An Act Concerning Hauler Access to Petroleum Terminals

Plea: For the Bill  
Statement:

Mr. Chairman and members of the committee,  
I Kathleen Miller of New Haven speaking For Bill No. 5160 An Act  
concerning Hauler Access to Petroleum Terminals.

I am here today to stop petroleum terminals from denying  
access to duly licensed and insured haulers.

I have a special interest in this, because I am a hauler that did  
get denied access to a terminal for employee's actions. We have  
rectified the past with insurance bonds and now have restricted  
access. Our bond is for 24/7 356, but our access is limited to 5 days a  
week 8 hr. a day.

If a Terminal has the power to deny access they also have the  
power to choose which end source (gas station/fuel farm) gets the  
best price fuel. Inadvertently, resulting with control of the consumer's  
fuel price.

Terminals have in place Policies and Procedures, requirements  
that are costly to the hauler that protect both parties interest. If a  
hauler meets all requirements there should be no reason for denying  
access.

Policy and Procedures that are in place to protect and insure the  
safe guard of loading and unloading practices at the terminal is Safety  
Requirements:

No smoking

Turn off: cell phones, CB radios, 2-way radios, pagers,  
Anything that may cause static electricity

Observe speed limit

Approved Clothing: Long sleeve shirts

Long pants  
Non-slip work boots  
Hard Hats  
Goggles  
Gloves

Safety Equipments:

Scully overfill protection system  
Interlock brake system  
Current trailer/truck vapor certificate  
Current Insurance Certificate not less  
Than 5 million dollars:  
Truckers, Workerscomp, Liability,  
Umbrella, Additionally Bond  
W/named additionally insured

Carrier Responsibilities:

Federal Regulations  
Overfill Protection Requirements  
Bottom loading training  
Equipment and Material  
Driver Authorization  
Driver Loading Cards  
Loading/Unloading  
Top/Bottom loading  
Truck Inspection  
Emergency Procedures  
DOT Safety and Hazmat Regulations

Theses are for terminal access, the haulers have many other responsibilities of operation. Such as:

DOT Safety and Hazmat Regulation and Registration  
Physical Protection  
Care and Use of Vehicle  
Safe Driving  
Emergencies  
Fire Prevention and Fighting  
Accident procedure  
First Aid  
Operation of loaded Vehicle  
Operation of Tank Vehicle

Driver Qualification: CDL Class A w/hazmat & tanker end.  
Drug Test  
Drive Test  
TWIC Card  
Medical Card  
Background Check

Finally, in support of this bill no. 5160 it will give equal opportunity to haulers/distributors to have access to the best possible market price for petroleum. Saving consumers money at the pump.

Thank you