



State of Connecticut

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
STATE CAPITOL
HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT 06106-1591

REPRESENTATIVE LINDA A. ORANGE
FORTY-EIGHTH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

LEGISLATIVE OFFICE BUILDING
ROOM 4109
HARTFORD, CT 06106-1591
HOME: (860) 537-3936
CAPITOL: (860) 240-8378
TOLL FREE: (800) 842-8267
FAX: (860) 240-0206
E-MAIL: Linda.Orange@cga.ct.gov

DEPUTY SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE

MEMBER
APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY COMMITTEE

Committee on Judiciary
Testimony concerning the *Unlicensed Practice of Massage Therapy*

To the Esteemed Co-Chairs and Members of the Judiciary Committee,

Thank you for raising HB-5883 and considering this important issue.

I proposed this bill after deliberation with Department of Public Health Deputy Commissioner Norma Gyle. The primary concern regarding massage parlors is sex trafficking – if heftier fines were levied upon those violators who use the term “massage parlor” as a front for less legal activities, other potential violators may think twice before engaging in such practice.

Please consider this legislation, and the potential positive results it may bring in curbing the trafficking of persons in these unlicensed parlors.

Linda Orange