



TESTIMONY

of the

CONNECTICUT CONFERENCE OF MUNICIPALITIES

to the

JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

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The Connecticut Conference of Municipalities (CCM) is Connecticut's statewide association of towns and cities and the voice of local governments - your partners in governing Connecticut. Our members represent over 93% of Connecticut's population.

We appreciate the opportunity to testify on the following bill of interest to towns and cities:

H.B. 6683, "An Act Concerning the Resolution of Claims Involving Workers' Compensation Liens"

~~CCM opposes this bill.~~

H.B. 6683 would strip employers' right and ability to participate in the lien negotiation process under workers' compensation. This would decrease employers' legitimate recoveries against at fault third parties in workers compensation claims, and will force them to increase costs for litigation.

CCM urges the Committee to obtain a fiscal note prior to acting on this proposal.

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If you have any questions, please call Ron Thomas or Gian-Carl Casa of CCM at (203) 498-3000.