

Feb 4, 2009

Representative Elissa Wright
Legislative Office Building
Room 2403
Hartford, CT 06106-1591

Dear Representative Wright,

I live in your district and am a practicing acupuncturist. I own Mystic River Acupuncture in Groton. I would like your support for Bill 6266, An Act Concerning the Practice of Acupuncture.

HB 6266 gives title protection to licensed acupuncturists in Connecticut. It is a simple enhancement of the existing acupuncture

My profession is one of the few health professions without title protection under the law. The practice of acupuncture one that requires skill and advanced training. I believe that it is in the public's interest to pass this legislation.

Thank you for your efforts on our behalf.

Yours Truly,

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cc: Sen. Jonathan Harris
Rep. Elizabeth Ritter

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Representative Ted Moukawsher
Legislative Office Building
Room 5008
Hartford, CT 0606-1591

Dear Representative Moukawsher,

I own and operate Mystic River Acupuncture in your district. I am a licensed acupuncturist, and have been in practice for twenty years.

I have seen my profession evolve from one that was unlicensed and not legal to one that has become a truly legitimate and valuable form of health care. Many insurance companies cover our services, and it is not uncommon to have referrals from medical doctors.

We are now a licensed profession, but without title protection under the law. We are one of the few professions without this security. To become licensed in Connecticut requires a high level of training, and national board certification. I believe it is in the best interests of the public to provide title protection to Connecticut acupuncturists.

Please support Bill 6266, An Act Concerning the Practice of Acupuncture. This simple addition to existing legislation will insure the title protection that we need.

Thank you for your efforts on our behalf.

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