

Dear sir,

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Id like you to deliver the below to the Public Safety and Security Committee.

In proposed bill 986, I disagree with police officers becoming Secret Police by not having their addresses disclosed. There is proof that the courts dont work in Connecticut, and that police do not police themselves.

The only recourse a citizen has is private investigations, exposing official wrongdoing to the media, in blogs, and in some cases suing for civil damages.

Police have answered citizens directly regarding legislation citizens have proposed to elected officials, telling citizens what they can and cannot propose to elected officials. Police have told citizens that they are upset with what a citizen has said or written in newspapers.

Citizens should have access to obtaining addresses to sue and have investigated police for wrongdoing. The 168 page report done by the New York State Police has proven that the Connecticut State Police cant police themselves and often operate as an organized crime organization.

I was terrorized out of my home I owned in Connecticut by police after proposing Civilian Oversight of Police. My daughter, then 14, disowned me after I sent a letter to her from prison. I had been mugged on my property and I pepper sprayed the mugger. For this offense I received a year in prison, 3 years probation. I had no previous criminal record.

Police had told me before I was arrested for anything that if I didnt leave Connecticut and shut my mouth, I would be arrested and be really sorry.

In addition to asking legislators not to pass bill 986, I ask that docket # CR01-0074672. I believe former Connecticut State Police Commissioner Arthur L. Spada and Judge Jonathan Kaplan conspired to railroad me to prison for my having proposed Civilian Oversight of Police legislation and for trying to have Judge Jonathan J. Kaplan BEFORE I was assaulted by a police informant on my property.

I am reporting felonies being committed to you and would like to prove that the system needs more safeguards, not less.

I testified here at the Capitol February 10, 2009, and was followed out by the Capitol Guard Police, and go into a car driven by Chris Kennedy. A Capitol Police car followed us got almost on our back bumper and illuminated the top light panel. The officer waved back and forth. I was dropped off at my vehicle at the Capitol public parking, the same happened. The officer(s) tried to block me from being able to back out of the parking place and then got right on my tail, going back and forth, so I could see them in both mirrors. I am sick of the police terror tactics and abuse of the public in Connecticut. This is also hurting the economy and breaking up families. Please look into my allegations.

Thank you,  
Steven G. Erickson