

**TESTIMONY PRESENTED BEFORE THE Environment Committee
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**House Bill 5119 - An Act Concerning Minor Revisions to the Underground
Storage Tank Petroleum Clean-up Account and Groundwater Pollution Abatement
Statutes.**

The Department of Public Health provides the following information with regard to House Bill 5119.

The Department of Public Health is supportive of the provisions outlined in SB 5119 and understands the purpose and need for the amendments. Connecticut General Statutes Section 25-32(a) gives DPH jurisdiction over the purity and adequacy of public drinking water sources and the adequacy of methods used to assure water purity. The Department is recommending amending the bill to include notification to us when any contamination occurs within a public water supply watershed, an aquifer protection area, or in close proximity to public water supply wells; filtration or treatment is added to a public water system; and when a proposal to remove the filtration or treatment system is received.

Thank you for your consideration of the Department's views on this bill.