



Testimony

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**RE: H. B. No. 5327 (RAISED) AN ACT EXPANDING CERTAIN REVERSE AUCTION
AUTHORITY TO THE PURCHASE OF CERTAIN SERVICES BY MUNICIPALITIES,
SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND STATE AGENCIES**

The Connecticut Council of Small Towns (COST) *strongly supports* HB-5327, which expands the ability of towns to utilize reverse auctions to purchase certain services.

Reverse auctions have been very successful in helping towns and boards of education purchase products at a competitive rate, resulting in much-needed savings. The process is also very efficient and saves towns time and resources in locating and purchasing products at the lowest possible cost.

We therefore urge your support for HB-5327 which extends the reverse auction authority to include the purchase of certain services. Any initiative which allows towns to improve efficiency, reduce costs and hold down property taxes should be a priority this session.