GOOD MORNING SENATOR Doyle, REPRESENTATIVE WALKER AND distinguished MEMBERS of the HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE. I AM here TODAY TO express CONCERNS ABOUT HB 5243 AN ACT CONCERNING SOBER HOMES

I AM A MEMBER of the Recovery Housing Coalition of CT. We have PUT TOGETHER STANDARDS FOR OUR RECOVERY houses THAT we believe provide people IN early Recovery AN excellent chance TO REMAIN SOBER AND become CONTRIBUTING MEMBERS of the COMMUNITY.

PLEASE DO NOT PUT IN PLACE A STATUTE THAT MAY JEOPARDIZE ACCESS TO housing FOR PERSONS STRIVING TO RECOVER THEIR lives

PLEASE WORK WITH DMHAS, the Housing COALITION AND the Recovery COMMUNITY TO ACCOMODATE COMMUNITY NEEDS.

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