

My name is Gregg Marchand

I am speaking here today to disagree with the Bill no 5834: AN ACT PROHIBITING OPEN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTAINERS IN MOTOR VEHICLES.

I would like to start by saying I find it disheartening amongst other feelings the U.S government will hold back money for Connecticut highways if this law is not passed.

Is this a form of bribery? When Connecticut has money coming, it should come to Connecticut without stipulations.

The Open Container law is frivolous and entrapping. If I am driving a passenger and he is drinking a beer, where is the Public Safety issue? Where is the crime? There is none.

A crime is an action that puts a citizen's safety at risk. How does a passenger in a vehicle drinking alcohol or having an open container in a vehicle create a public safety issue or resemble a crime?

This seems to be a perfect example of lawmakers wasting tax dollars to pass bills for the sole purpose of creating revenue, and/or giving police yet another false probable cause to pull someone over, then search and seize.

Driving safely does not have anything to do with items that may be in your vehicle.

Please, all Representatives of Connecticut; make laws that keep safety for the citizens your priority, not creating business/money for the courts.

Quit making frivolous laws and adapt by having police take care of laws already written.

There are vehicles all over the place with the exhaust baffles out, making them loud and making it an environment issue. That is two public safety issues and/ or violations air and noise pollution. Yet these vehicles are everywhere.

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