

CT General Assembly  
Walk-in message

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PLEASE FORWARD TO:

Legislator: Education Committee

From: Conn. Athletic Training Association Student Reps.

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Re: PLEASE SUPPORT: RSB 456 - *An Act Concerning Student Athletes and Concussions*

Message:

I stopped in to ask you to support RSB 456, *An Act Concerning Student Athletes and Concussions*. This bill was introduced by the Education Committee, and has a public hearing with that committee at 3 pm today. The bill would require coaches of interscholastic and intramural athletics to remove any student athlete who exhibits signs or symptoms of a brain injury (concussion) from activity immediately. It would further require that the athlete be evaluated by a qualified health care provider prior to being permitted to return to activity. Coaches would also be required to receive regular training in recognizing the signs and symptoms of concussion, as part of their coaching certification requirements. This bill will help protect student athletes from possible long term or catastrophic consequences of concussion. As your constituent, I strongly encourage you to support RSB 456.

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