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Re: Lean Government in Connecticut: Opposing Raised Bill 467

To whom it may concern,

We have recently become aware of the announcement by the Governor about the State of Connecticut embarking on its own Lean initiatives which we fully promote. We are also encouraged that the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) has embarked on an open RFP Bid Proposal for Strategic Business Consulting/Facilitating for Lean Government Methodologies and Services and fully support and encourage the State of Connecticut to get the best Lean coaching and mentoring it can.

It has come to our attention that there is a Raised Bill proposal No. 467 titled "An Act Concerning Lean Government" that requires State Agencies to only use CONNSTEP or the Department of Labor. It would mean that a private entity Lean consulting group could only provide services in a volunteering capacity and without compensation. We strongly oppose the Raised Bill No. 467 introduced by the Government Administration and Elections Committee, and feel this is not providing the best possible Lean training and solutions for the State of Connecticut. This bill needs to be abolished and the current process the Governor and DAS has begun with an open bid proposal to find the best Lean facilitators and trainers are selected and available to all State Agencies in their quest to become Lean.

We ask that you push for a Lean Connecticut State Government, but that careful consideration is given to how this program is facilitated. We support the current process put in place by Governor Rell and the Department of Administrative Services Lean Bid Proposal they recently announced trying to find the best Lean Service providers for the Connecticut State Agencies, which was open to bid on by private entities and also state and federal funded organizations. Raised Bill 467 does not allow for the State agencies to have the best possible Lean support and training available at the best value, which in actuality is *anti-lean*. Please do not vote in favor of Raised Bill 467.

Sincerely,

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