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THE VOICE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT

TESTIMONY

of the

CONNECTICUT CONFERENCE OF MUNICIPALITIES

to the

CHILDREN'S COMMITTEE

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CCM is Connecticut's statewide association of towns and cities and the voice of local governments - your partners in governing Connecticut. Our members represent over 93% of Connecticut's population.

We appreciate the opportunity to testify on this bill of concern to towns and cities:

R.B. 5041, "An Act Concerning Cross-Reporting of Child Abuse and Animal Cruelty"

While CCM understands the intent behind this proposal, we are unsure of the impact of this proposal on municipal animal control officers, and whether they have the expertise to implement R.B. 5041.

Thank you.

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