



**"BRIGHTER SOLUTIONS"**

To Members of the Labor Committee:

My name is Steve Robinson, President of Wattsaver Lighting Products Inc. We are located at 22 Thomas Street in East Hartford, Ct.

Are you kidding me? I am writing to voice my opposition to SB-63, which would require Connecticut employers to provide paid sick leave. This proposal will substantially increase our business costs and could force us to reevaluate the other benefits we provide our employees.

I am currently the president of a National Association and you wouldn't believe the differences in the cost of doing business in Connecticut vs. almost any other state in the country. Many small businesses are teetering on the edge of bankruptcy and yet legislators are thinking about mandating more expenses on us!

We urge you to reject this proposal and work with the business community to control labor and workplace costs in Connecticut. Thank you.

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