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Testimony

**In Support Of
H.B. 6165, An Act Favoring Connecticut Companies For State Contract**

**Government Administration And Elections Committee
Monday, March 7, 2011**

Dear Senator Slossberg, Representative Morin, Senator McLachlan, Representative Hwang and members of the GAE Committee:

Thank you for allowing our bill, HB 6165, to be heard today. In a time of flat job growth and high taxation, it is imperative that we try to create jobs right here in Connecticut, with an added emphasis on home grown business. The residents of our state pay our local taxes, they patronize other local businesses, and form the backbone of our economy. What better way to reward them, and recruit others to move here than to offer an extra incentive to live here? Surely, we will be able to stop the flow of jobs, and people, to the tax friendly States that are doing well economically and increasing their Congressional representation due to the population increases in their States that are the result of new jobs landing there.

Business, whether from out of State, or within, is a benefit to us all. However, a Connecticut-based business has the multiplier effect going for it as well as the civic pride of Connecticut citizenship.

I hope you will favorably consider this bill.

Sincerely,

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