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**Senate Bill 880**, An Act Concerning the Publication of  
State Agency Regulations on the Internet  
Government Elections & Administration Committee  
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Senator Slossberg, Representative Morin and members of the Committee. I and the Connecticut Bar Association appreciate this opportunity to testify in **support** of the SB 880.

Both the CBA's Administrative Law Section and the Media and the Law Committee, which I co-chair, support this Bill and urge this Committee to report it favorably.

SB 880 provides you with an incomparable opportunity to make our State government more cost-effective and transparent.

Citizens, lawyers and journalists will no longer have to rummage, hunt, telephone and visit State agencies to be sure that the regulations that affect them are the right ones.

The operation of the agencies themselves will be more effective because those who do business or report their work will be much less likely to come to them, ignorant of the most up-to-date rules and procedures.

And, the capabilities of digital media, already relied on heavily by each and every State agency, will not entail any cost or otherwise impact the State budget. In fact, this Bill could save labor, printing and postage costs because it is likely to reduce the volume of inquiries about current regulations now answered on a case-by-case basis.

The Administrative Law Section and Media and the Law Committee of the CBA thank you for this opportunity to speak in support of **SB 880**. We urge you to give it a **favorable report**. I will be happy to answer any questions you may have.