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Government Administration and Elections Committee Public Hearing  
HB6600 - "An Act Concerning the Recommendations of the Legislative  
Paperless Task Force and the Task Force to Study the Reduction of  
State Agency Paper and Duplicative Procedures"  
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Co-Chair Slossberg, Co-Chair Morin and members of the Government Administration and Elections  
Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in **strong support** of certain provisions in **HB 6600**.

- **Section One** ensures the continuation of processing transcripts efficiently and expediently. The legal community and general public both heavily rely on these transcripts to monitor testimony that was not submitted and to interpret questions and answers exchanged from members of the general assembly.
- **Section Two** acknowledges the necessary availability of hard copies of the House and Senate calendars and journals. These documents invite members of the public to easily monitor the progress made by both chambers during session. These documents would otherwise need to be printed on 8 1/2 X 11 paper from standard laser-jet printers which create an overwhelming cost and demand on both the House and Senate Clerks.
- **Section Three** endorses the cost-saving measure of providing electronic templates for "State of Connecticut" symbols to original bills and LCO documents.
- **Sections Four and Five** embrace the necessity of posting the final version of a bill two days after passage by both the House and Senate. Statutory requirements of printed copies are also met for the Secretary of the State and select legal libraries in the state.
- **Section Seven** amends the costly printing procedures of the Program Review and Investigations Committee. Hard copies of these reports, which are often hundreds of pages long and in-color, should continue to be made available upon request from the PRI Committee Office and the web but not be made available during committee meetings. This will result in significant savings to the Office of Legislative Management.

Thank you very much for considering the support of these concepts. I'm able to answer any questions you may have regarding this testimony.