



**TESTIMONY  
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BEFORE THE  
GENERAL LAW COMMITTEE  
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**The Connecticut Plumbing, Heating and Cooling Contractors Association (CT-PHCC) submits the following comments relative to SB-863, AN ACT CONCERNING THE LICENSING OF SWIMMING POOL INSTALLERS.**

Last session, we were concerned that an earlier version of this proposal would have allowed unlicensed individuals to perform work which should appropriately be done by a licensed plumber. This would have posed obvious safety concerns.

We negotiated language with the pool and spa industry that was satisfactory to all parties. This bill reflects that language in Section 1(f) and we are comfortable with this bill moving forward, as currently drafted.

*CT-PHCC is a not-for-profit trade association that represents the professional plumbing, heating and cooling contractors in the state of Connecticut. CT-PHCC and its members are committed to protecting the health and safety of the public. Contractors who belong to the association have demonstrated reliability and trustworthiness and are licensed by the state of Connecticut.*