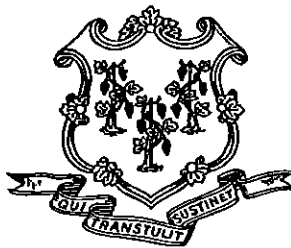


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Dear Chairs, Vice Chairs, Ranking Members and Members of the Judiciary Committee:

***Testimony in Support of: Senate Bill-1094, An Act Banning Large Capacity Ammunition Magazines***

Good afternoon, I want to thank Co-Chairs Coleman and Fox, Vice Chairs Doyle and Holder-Winfield, Ranking Members Kissel and Hetherington, as well as distinguished members of the Judiciary Committee for the opportunity to testify on behalf of: ***Senate Bill-1094, An Act Banning Large Capacity Ammunition Magazines.***

High capacity ammunition magazines are designed to enable shooting mass numbers of people quickly and efficiently without reloading. They have been used in numerous mass shootings, including in Tucson, Virginia Tech, Fort Hood, Columbine and last summer, Manchester, Connecticut. These high capacity magazines are simply not useful for hunting or self-defense.

New magazines containing more than 10 rounds were banned under the Federal Assault Weapons Act, but Congress did not renew the law in 2004, despite widespread support from over 70% of Americans. Currently, only six states and D.C. limit the capacity of magazines and this reasonable legislation will add Connecticut to that list.

Thank you again for you affording me the opportunity to speak before the Committee on this reasonable measure and in advance for your consideration of this important legislation.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Gary D. LeBeau'.

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