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Reference: **SB913** *An Act Mandating Employers Provide Paid Sick Leave to Employees*

Members of the Labor Committee:

I am writing to voice my opposition to SB913 and to ask that you NOT support it. This bill will increase costs for all businesses in Connecticut and force employers to reevaluate their hiring decisions and the other benefits they currently offer. It will also allow less flexibility for employees to negotiate for the benefits they really want.

At a time when Connecticut needs to be doing everything possible to help businesses recover and grow that last thing that should be done is to increase costs and mandated benefits.

Please reject this bill and instead work with businesses in Connecticut to provide a skilled workforce and reasonable labor cost so we can grow our employment and our businesses.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alan E. Ortner', written in a cursive style.

Alan E. Ortner,

President