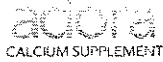


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February 24, 2011

Labor Committee  
State of Connecticut

Dear Senator:

RE: OPPOSITION TO MANDATORY SICK LEAVE SB 913

I urge you to please reject this proposal. The businesses in our state simply cannot afford any additional burdens at this time. Instead, please work with the business community to control the labor and workplace costs in Connecticut.

Please stop the spending and work with the businesses to help keep jobs in our state, not eliminate them.

Very truly yours,

Gene Dunkin

Chief Executive Officer