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To whom it may concern:

I am writing to this department to express my concern in rejecting SB 913. I am a very small business owner with limited employees. We are primarily a service business and it is crucial to this business that employees produce daily to cover the high overhead that we all face. I cannot justify paying people who could inevitably take advantage of the paid sick time.

As a service business we totally depend on people to show up at work and perform their duties. If they are out personally or sick, they can make it up on alternate days. This is crucial to the type of business I own. Please do not pass this law as it could be so detrimental to so many businesses in CT. We are all struggling to make the taxes, high utilities, high workmen's comp, high rent expenses, high inventory and supply expenses. As a citizen of the state of Connecticut, I am very concerned about our future businesses. It is very sad and upsetting to see some really great businesses fold and leave vacant store fronts. I really feel the state should take a pro-active attitude and try to encourage businesses to come here and employ all those people who want to work in this state. Give tax breaks and incentives to us. Not punish us with more to think about and another cost to the burden we already carry.

Sincerely,

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