

**HOUSE BILL 6305
HOUSE BILL 6322**

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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE, HUMAN SERVICE
COMMITTEE, AND INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE COMMITTEE OF
THE CONNECTICUT GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

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Ladies and Gentlemen of the Committees, my name is Eric Brown, and I am an attorney and lobbyist with AFSCME Council 15, a labor union representing the interests of more than 4000 police officers in 62 municipal communities throughout Connecticut.

I am here today to speak in support of House Bill 6305 – [AN ACT CONCERNING IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SUSTINET PLAN](#), and in support of House Bill 6322 - [AN ACT CONCERNING IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SUSTINET PLAN](#). Each of these bills present public employers and public employees with opportunities to secure quality health care and prescription drug care at competitive rates, thereby driving down the costs associated with public employment.

We support the option of having each of these plans available to our employers and employees, and the opportunities which they present to lower costs and make public employee costs more affordable for taxpayers.