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*Testimony by Representative Rob Sampson
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On House Bill 5270
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Good morning Chairman Hartley, Chairman Dargan, Representative Giegler, Senator Guglielmo, and members of the Public Safety and Security Committee. Thank you for the opportunity to testify today. I'm here this morning to express my support for ***HB 5270 – AN ACT AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF STATE PERMIT TO CARRY A PISTOL OR REVOLVER BY MAIL OR BY ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION.***

The goal of this legislation is to make it more convenient for pistol permit holders in good standing here in Connecticut by eliminating the requirement that permit renewals be done in person.

Those individuals who have gone through the rigorous process of obtaining a pistol permit here in Connecticut or elsewhere in the country have not only consented to a background check but have also demonstrated their commitment to be law abiding citizens. It is no surprise that many studies show that permit holders are the least likely individuals to be involved in any sort of violent crime.

Thank you for the hearing on HB 5270 and I wish to express my support of the bill and the committee's favorable action.

Sincerely,

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