



TESTIMONY
of the
CONNECTICUT CONFERENCE OF MUNICIPALITIES
to the
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

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CCM is Connecticut's statewide association of towns and cities and the voice of local government - your partners in governing Connecticut. Our members represent over 93% of Connecticut's population. We appreciate this opportunity to provide testimony to you on issues of concern to towns and cities.

CCM opposes Proposed Bill 5953 *"An Act Concerning Delinquent Municipal Property Taxes and the Registration of Motor Vehicles"*.

Proposed bill 5953 would allow motor vehicle owners to register vehicles for which municipal taxes have been paid, even if they owe municipal taxes on other vehicles they own.

CCM does not understand the rationale behind this proposal, particularly at a time when local budgets are stretched to the limit and every penny counts. This proposal rewards persons for not paying property taxes and would unnecessarily restrict towns' and cities' ability to collect necessary revenue.

CCM urges the committee to oppose Proposed Bill 5953.

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