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I am here to oppose the proposed bills numbers 706,822, 6178,6179 on the grounds the cameras could possibly be manipulated.

For an example a vehicle belonging to Joe Smo was photographed / video taped on the 14th of Feb. another vehicle was close behind him, the vehicle following Mr. Smo had a the traffic violation. With the technology today it wouldn't be hard to switch the information from the photo or video showing it was Joe Smo's vehicle that had the traffic violation and not the real violator. In other words you could have Joe Smo's picture with the violation[s] of the other vehicle attached to the photo. An easy switch, just copy and paste.

It seems to me this cannot be ethically prosecuted because there is no human witness. I am appalled of these ideas to squeeze, squeeze the workingman everyone has traffic violations you, me everyone you maybe in a rush, late for work etc.

But when I Testified the proposed bill in 2005 to have more precise rules to be performed by arresting officers pertaining to the CT. statute 14-227a {driving under the influence), then to become a law. It didn't get voted on which to me shows proof, people in this Committee does not care for the legal rights of us citizens.

The bill I proposed was;

When being asked by an arresting officer to submit to a chemical analysis [breath test] it should be asked in the room where the chemical analysis computer is. While being asked to partake and while taking the test, it should be filmed with a camera with audio for proof beyond a reasonable doubt that the arrested person was asked to perform the breath test and took the test.

The rules they use now, the police officer can arrest you for the {d.u.i.} charge and state that the arrested person refused to take the test with another officer signing under oath as a witness of the refusal. With rules being used now there are people that are being accused of refusing the breath test when they were not offered the test. With an audio camera being used there will be no doubt, of the question being asked and the test being performed.

There must be an audio camera when being asked to perform a breath test.

So you all know, when I testified this bill the Chair asked me "did this happen to you?" I answered 'yes'. I told the whole story police department names everything. Your committee did not make it part of the D.U.I. PROCEDURE but 2 months later the police department that I mentioned that did these corrupt actions to me put a camera exactly where I suggested. Proof of my true accusation and of how this should be part of the D.U.I. procedure

It seems lawmakers keep trying to have laws to break the regular citizen and have no care whatsoever concerning our public safety officers of being impaired or unjust.

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