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Representative Antonio Guerrero
Members of the Transportation Committee
State of Connecticut General Assembly
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Ladies and Gentlemen,

I see that action is starting on the RECREATIONAL LAND USE ACT reform, SB 43, SB 90 and HB 5254, with a public hearing on Monday. I would like to let you know how strongly I support these bills. I am able to provide hiking and hunting opportunities for some CT residents only because of the existing law limiting the liability of private landowners. I would like to see the same protection given to all landowners. It makes no sense to protect some landowners and not others. I know that the problem is a loophole, so fix it. It is a shame that the intent of the existing law was not enough to protect municipal and quasi-public landowners. FIX IT!!!

I speak for my wife, Kathy, my son, Kurt and my grandson, Gianni who are all Connecticut residents and people who substitute outdoor recreation and subsequent night time sleep for a television set. The outdoors is our recreation. We do things rather than watch others do them for us. It is more fun.

Kathy, Kurt and I all vote in ALL elections (Gianni is 11) - please pass these words on to your colleagues.

Also, I am a member of the Tri-Town Trail Committee, working to establish a multi-use trail in Southeastern Connecticut. I have seen a couple members of the Transportation Committee at our meetings. We thank you for the support you expressed at those meetings and we look forward to your support of these General Assembly bills.

Sincerely yours,
Tom Jannke
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