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Senator Hartley, Representative Dargan and Distinguished Members of the Committee:

I am State Senator Michael McLachlan, and I am here to speak in support of House Bill 5489, *An Act Concerning an Additional State Fire School*.

This legislation would designate the Danbury Fire School training facility as a state fire school.

The Danbury Fire School is a great facility that has been training firefighters in the local community for many years. It is supported by the Danbury community as well as others like Bethel, New Fairfield, Sherman, and Newtown, which also use the facility. I am very proud of the many self-less men and women who are willing to put their lives in danger for others. The Danbury Fire School is yet another example of the importance and legacy of public service.

The designation of the Danbury Fire School as a state fire school will provide the school with a greater prestige, as well as show a way to support for public service. Additionally, this designation will provide the Danbury Fire School with a greater amount of resources, in turn giving those who attend the school opportunities to learn and save lives as an outcome.

I urge the committee to support House Bill 5489, in order to create another excellent facility to train the brave men and women who choose to fight for their communities.

Thank you,

Michael A. McLachlan
State Senator – 24th District