



March 5, 2012

Senator Gary LeBeau, Representative Jeff Berger and Members of the Commerce Committee
Room 110, Capitol Building
Hartford, CT 06106

Re: Opposition to subsection 1(b) of Raised House Bill No. 5343

Dear Senator LeBeau and Representative Berger:

My name is Dianne Veley and I am the Global Human Resources Manager for The Siemon Company located in Watertown, Connecticut. I am writing to you on behalf of our company to state our opposition to subsection 1 (b) of Raised House Bill No. 5343.

Our company has been in business and family owned since 1903. We currently employ over 300 people in the United States, most of them located in Connecticut, and we are approaching 400 more in our other locations globally. We have deep roots in the community and have no plans to leave Connecticut for another domestic location. However, we find ourselves in a frustrating position of frequently having to write to our state legislators about opposing legislation which is detrimental to our ability to competitively compete in a global environment and to continue to employ Connecticut residents.

This proposal (subsection 1 (b) of Raised House Bill No. 5343) will increase our business costs and our employees' time for what we view as yet another example of over-regulation within the state of Connecticut.

I urge you all to vote no on this proposed legislation. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dianne R. Veley".

Dianne R. Veley

Cc: Carl N. Siemon, President, The Siemon Company
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