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Subject: Proposed Bill regarding sales of alcohol.

Gentlemen and ladies of the General Law Committee.

I own a package store in New Canaan Connecticut.

We have been very lucky that the economy has picked up and our sales are growing at a steady pace. However, being a new business, we are still struggling to actually make a profit that will support our families.

Two incomes for us has been a necessity. But we have zero savings, a mortgage, and a 12 year old daughter that would like to think she can go to college.

Last year, my wife lost her job in the finance world, so we have only this businesses' income.

IF THE PROPOSED BILL GOES THROUGH, MY BUSINESS WILL SURELY FAIL WITHIN A YEAR. I will be unemployed and I will have to lay off 2 full-time employees.

I am not alone in this pradicament.

Is this what our government wants for Connecticut?

I sincerely hope that the State will consider drastic changes to the proposition. Hundreds of businesses and thousands of taxpayers are depending on your good judgement.

Thank you.

Jeff Barbour

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