

TOWN OF MONTVILLE  
DEPARTMENT OF SENIOR & SOCIAL  
SERVICES

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This is testimony pertaining to raised Bill No. 235 An Act concerning Municipal Agents for the Elderly. I believe dissecting and dissolving essential points of Section 1. Section 7-127b of the general statutes as it pertains to Municipal Agents for the Elderly is not only wrong, but completely absurd in a crucial time when the elderly population is growing at such a rapid rate and meeting the needs of our elderly is more imperative than ever.

Not only should this bill be dissolved but more emphasis should be placed on enforcing this statute and strengthening our Municipal Agents and their connection with DSS which was designed to assist our elderly population and ensure each Town affords our elderly the benefits of access and knowledge to those programs and services designed to assist them. Our seniors should be afforded a Municipal Agent in each Town that SHALL disseminate information, assist in learning of community resources and applying for them. Proper, MANDATED trainings, information, updated lists on housing and other vital issues for each Municipal Agent is essential in our strive to ensure the well-being and highest quality of life of our most vulnerable population, our seniors! Please do not take an action in regard to this bill. Please allow us to move forward.

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