

**Representative Fox / Senator Coleman**  
Judiciary Committee, Chair

Dear Representative Fox and Senator Coleman:

I am opposed to Bill #5509 because it clearly and strongly weakens basic women rights to support and alimony, especially for spouses in the weakest positions. It simply does not recognize any value to the support and dedication that a woman provides to her family, children and husband, when giving up a career and an independent financial autonomy, for many years of her married life. This bill takes a woman's dignity away, once again reinforcing that the value of family is not protected.

On my behalf and thousands of Connecticut women, I am respectfully asking that you kill bill # 5509.

Sincerely,

Franca Zanovello