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Dear Honorable Members of the Committee,

Please reject **SB 1080** concerning the inclusion of technology transfer in *all* tenure decisions at UConn.

- The bill is overreaching in its scope. How can an artist or philosopher fulfill this mandate?
- This is an inappropriate provision, which will hurt faculty recruitment.
- The tenure clock is 6 years. Technology transfer often takes 10 or more years. These are woefully out of synchronization.
- The expert committees review already include these factors where such considerations are appropriate.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas J. Peters".

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P.S. For full disclosure, I am a tenured faculty member at the University of Connecticut, Storrs, holding titles of Professor of Computer Science & Engineering and Professor of Mathematics.