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My name is Ronald Buccilli, Psy.D. and I am the President of CW Resources, Inc. I am testifying for the record on ***Proposal S.B. No.761.***

I strongly support Raised Bill 761. It extends work opportunities for persons with disabilities. It extends their jobs and paychecks during difficult economical times. And, even within an improved economic climate, most of our clients will remain at a disadvantage for competitive employment due to a variety of reasons related to their respective disabilities.

Providing these work opportunities to our clients were part of extraordinary legislation passed unanimously by the 2006 Legislature. Extraordinary in that it created the Qualified Partnership Program. A Program that has recognized Connecticut for it's willingness to protect jobs for those that are most likely to lose their jobs because of the vagaries of the economy. A Program that other State Legislatures has reviewed for their own states.

Currently, CW Resources has 64 CCPA contracts involving over 218 workers performing more than 83,795 hours of work generating more than \$1,000,000 in wages. Our workers are proud of the work they do at multiple government buildings. Proud of earning, on average, \$11.95/hour. These wages mitigate our clients dependency on SSDI, Food Stamps and Medicaid benefits.

Beyond the wages and pride of working, are the immeasurable the mental health benefits our clients incur via a work routine, scheduled hours and the sense of contributing to their community. Something we all take pride in.

Thank you for the opportunity this Bill presents to our clients.