

Judiciary Committee

Raised H.B. No. 6511: An Act Concerning the Recommendations of the Connecticut Sentencing Commission Regarding the Enhanced Penalty For the Sale or Possession of Drugs Near Schools, Day Care Centers and Public Housing Projects. (in favor)

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Good morning Judiciary Committee. My name is Kenny from Torrington. Thank you for the opportunity to address the Judiciary Committee and its distinguished members. I would like to address you in support of raised House Bill 6511.

I, Kenny, support Raised H.B. No. 6511: An Act Concerning the Recommendations of the Connecticut Sentencing Commission Regarding the Enhanced Penalty for the Sale or Possession of Drugs Near Schools, Day Care Centers and Public Housing Projects. I support this raised H.B. No. 6511, because it requires that police will have to prove that a person "intended" to sell or possess narcotics within a school zone. I personally know people who have been arrested for selling and/or possessing narcotics in a school zone, and they had no intention of committing that crime on school property or near children. The current law costs the state too much money to put people in prison for something they had no intention of doing.

Thank you for your attention to this important issue and your commitment to judicial matters in the state of Connecticut.

Respectfully,

Kenny from Torrington