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To: Jud Testimony
Subject: House Bill 6690 An Act Concerning Court Procedures and the Protection of Animals

To: Connecticut Legislative Members
From: Donna R. Walker
Re: House Bill 6690 An Act Concerning Court Procedures and the Protection of Animals

First of all I would like you to meet my 2 1/2 y/o pit bull terrier, Angel (right). She was rescued at 4 months old while being used as bait to train fighter dogs. She was rescued early so her damage was not as bad as most. Her nightmares have stopped and she thinks everyone is her friend. She lays on my lap with her head on my chest looking up at me with total devotion and love. She was one of the lucky ones.

We wanted a play mate for Angel so we went to the Connecticut Humane Society where we met Sheldon an 11 month old (now 2 1/4 y/o) pitbull/boxer mix. His ears had not been clipped and other then a minor skin condition he appeared fine. He showed no evidence of being a fighter, quite the contrary. He bonded with Angel right away and is very needy for love and affection. He is like a baby who wants to be held all the time. Now his attachment to Angel makes them inseparable. With Angel, Sheldon can sometimes forget the past and can play and appear happy. Move your hand too quick, get excited about something on TV and he will cowl down. His nightmares have not stopped and he trembles constantly. Sheldon was most likely the victim of some horrible and cruel discipline. I believe he took one too many blows to the head. My words don't explain what I see and think when I look into the eyes of these 2 dogs or of what might have become of them. Neither one of them holds any negative behavior as a result of what has been done to them. They greet, play with and love everyone that comes through the door. They both are very sensitive to harsh treatment and their hearts break when they are in trouble and I express disappointment, both of them together can be a bit of a handfull at times. These two dogs think, feel and love with every beat of their heart. Please give the protection they should of had.

Vote in favor of House Bill 6690 An Act Concerning Court Procedures and the Protection of Animals.

Sincerely,
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