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Subject: Testimony on Bill #6050

Hi Mike:

I kinda of have mixed feeling on the issue I do see your side of the issue without any doubt. But I heard Connecticut had toll booths a long time ago I think I recall them as a small kid. I heard they were removed after a tractor trailer lost it's breaks or something and took out several of them killing several people and that's why the were removed (I don't know if this is true). Playing Devils Advocate Mass and NY people do come to Connecticut to make money and they do drive like crap, and they do add to the wear and tear on our " Public " Roadways, is it fair or right that they don't pay a little extra for such use. I'd be toll matching if it were up to me. On a bright note it would create jobs toll booth attendants, enforcement officers, and such, so that's at least a good thing. I think in this economy Connecticut must do what it has to as to derive income from various sources, tolls, billing criminal offenders for all the costs associated with their crimes, perhaps outsourcing the states prisons, outsourcing court house security, playing hardball with unions, and such. I would be curious to know how much energy is wasted on the states highway system between say 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. (I'd be turning off lights and lowering the heat if it saved money). Shorter work days for state employees if it saved on pay and operating costs. Municipalities, the state, and federal government need to learn to stretch that dollar better and get a bigger bang for it's buck, this is in part why most if not all have financial deficits. People are no better off, this month and the next few it will be tight for us, we are sacrificing that steak dinner and other extras so that I can get credit cards paid off in full. It's not by any means that we don't have money we are just being more prudent as to where it goes. Connecticut has to be doing the same thing in effect. I hate to say it but if you called me right now and offered me a security job I did not really want I would take it, on the basis it's extra cash. Money talks and B.S. walks and Connecticut should be looking to make money anywhere it can, better enforcement of driving laws income through ticketing and fines, reduced labor costs by outsourcing, energy savings and reduction, deregulation of " minor " gambling (slots), hunting in state forests (permits), whatever turns a buck in this economy I would support as it's less the state and tax payers have to cough up.

David

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