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Statement of
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before the Environment Committee

Supporting Three Bills Affecting the Experiment Station

January 30, 2013

We support each of the following bills which will enhance the operations of the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station and its ability to respond to invasive pests affecting the public and our horticultural industry, which is more than half of all of agriculture in the state:

***H.B. No. 5309 (COMM) AN ACT CONCERNING THE FINE FOR VIOLATING A QUARANTINE OR REGULATION OF THE CONNECTICUT AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION.**

***H.B. No. 5310 (COMM) AN ACT CONCERNING THE DUTIES OF THE BOARD OF CONTROL FOR THE CONNECTICUT AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION.**

***H.B. No. 5311 (COMM) AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF THE CONNECTICUT AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION TO ENTER INTO COMPLIANCE AGREEMENTS TO STOP THE SPREAD OF THE EMERALD ASH BORER.**