

Dear Senator Meyer and Representative Gentile,

Please accept this as my testimony for public hearing held on 2/25/13 in **OPPOSITION to SB 915**, An act authorizing bow and arrow hunting on Sunday Under Certain Circumstances.

I Oppose this bill for many reasons, and a big problem with this bill is it is too **vague!** Who and when and under what circumstances will "Certain Circumstances" be awarded. Errors in perception and communication can be high due to this vagueness.

Sunday Hunting can be a **public safety issue** for humans and domestic animals (sometimes mistaken for game animals) for those in close proximity of the hunted. Is it not enough that hunters (1-2% of Connecticut's population) have six days a week to exercise their sport? What about the other 98-99% of people and pets that want to **feel safe** while they walk, hike, bird watch, kayak, picnic, camp. Can they have one day a week to not worry about a stray arrow or bullet finding them? I no longer feel safe to walk through woods 6 days a week and if I do, I walk in fear and that is no way to enjoy this great natural resource we have here in Ct.

**Bow-hunting is one of the most inhumane forms of hunting** because it can result in very high crippling rates causing horrific pain to the animal.

**Hunting will not reduce Lyme disease risk and will not resolve deer overpopulation and related-related problems.**  
(more information can be provided at your request)

Thank You for your consideration.

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