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**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
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Environment Committee

Testimony Submitted by Interim Commissioner Robert J. Klee
Presented By Deputy Commissioner Mackey McCleary

Raised House Bill No. 5083 – AAC INDOOR AIR QUALITY AT ICE HOCKEY RINKS.

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony regarding Raised House Bill No. 5083 – AAC INDOOR AIR QUALITY AT ICE HOCKEY RINKS. The Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) welcomes the opportunity to offer the following testimony.

DEEP does not have a position on this proposal. However, DEEP respectfully submits that it is not the appropriate agency to study the need to regulate indoor air quality at hockey rinks.

Raised House Bill No. 5083 would require the DEEP to study the need to regulate indoor air quality at hockey rinks. However, the scope of DEEP's regulatory authority as indicated in the definition of "air pollution" in section 22a-170 of the general statutes is limited to ambient or outdoor air pollution. In Connecticut, indoor air quality is the responsibility of the [Department of Public Health's Environmental and Occupational Health Assessment Division](#).

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony on this proposal. If you should require any additional information, please contact Robert LaFrance, DEEP's Director of Governmental Affairs, at 860.424.3401 or Robert.LaFrance@ct.gov (or, Elizabeth McAuliffe, DEEP Legislative Liaison, at 860.424.3458 or Elizabeth.McAuliffe@ct.gov).