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Coalition of CT Sportsmen

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Support S.B. No. 241 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING YOUTH HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSES, REVISING CERTAIN HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSE FEES AND REQUIRING REGISTRATION BY HUNTING AND FISHING GUIDE SERVICES.

Support H.B. No. 5309 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING ABANDONED BOATS.

Support H.B. No. 5306 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING A RANDOM DRAWING FOR A LIFETIME HUNTING OR FRESHWATER FISHING LICENSE.

Support S.B. No. 239 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF PROPANE NOISEMAKERS TO REPEL WILDLIFE.

Senator Meyer, Representative Gentile and Members of the Environment Committee:

S.B. 241 Support

Although I am apprehensive to raising fees, I believe this bill will encourage youth sportsmen to remain by offsetting the costs associated with license fees. By reducing these fees they may remain and continue their outdoor sports into adulthood. In addition, this bill also requires guides to register with DEEP, which will help ensure compliance with state and federal law. Also, the bill states that a fee may be charged for the online classroom. I expect this fee to be small and only offset the cost associated with operating the website.

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Having a lottery for these lifetime licenses is an incentive to renew licenses year after year, so long as the drawing is open only to those who currently have such licenses.

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