



CCM 2014 Testimony

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The Connecticut Conference of Municipalities (CCM) is Connecticut's statewide association of towns and cities and the voice of local government - your partners in governing Connecticut. Our members represent over 92% of Connecticut's population. We appreciate the opportunity to testify on bills of interest to towns and cities.

SB 154 "An Act Concerning Probate Court Operations".

The bill would make several changes to the Probate Court Operations. CCM would ask that the Committee to amend SB 154 to allow operating costs – including rent and office supplies – that are uncured by the Probate Courts located within municipal buildings, to come out of the State Probate fees.

Municipal funding and resources often provide the operating costs of these Probate Courts located in municipal buildings without any state reimbursement. Towns and cities are asking for a mechanism to ensure these costs can be recuperated.

CCM asks the Committee to **amend** and the **favorably report** SB 154.



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