

Testimony for HB 5113

Dear Legislator,

My name is Joe Halloran and I am a sports official in the sport of football and I live in the town of Brookfield. I am writing to express my concern regarding HB5113- AN ACT CONCERNING YOUTH ATHLETICS AND CONCUSSION.

I am not a medical person and cannot diagnose a concussion nor do I believe that even after attending a training course to determine if a player has a concussion will I be able to make that diagnosis. This is a issue of liability on my part as an official. The current guidelines is that we as officials if we believe that someone might be hurt or injured we send them to the sideline for evaluation. It is at that point that a certified person can do a diagnosis and make the decision if the player has a concussion. I believe that this is the best, there is no way even with training that I can make that call...this is just a liability issue and I will be open for lawsuits.

Please reject this p[proposal].

Regards,

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