

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Amanda Dix and I reside at 42 Gilbert Avenue in Hamden, CT. I am writing to oppose bill HB5537, section 6 which would allow Speech and Language Pathologists to list Applied Behavior Analytic services as a scope of their practice. As a Board Certified Assistant Behavior Analyst (BCaBA), I feel this could be very dangerous. ABA is a complex science in which extensive coursework and training is required. SLP's are not required to obtain an education or training in ABA and as such it could be harmful to consumers if they were to start providing ABA services. Please do not allow this bill to go through as it could negatively impact the consumers we service, as well as the fields of speech & language pathology and applied behavior analysis. Thank you.

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