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*Testimony by Representative Mitch Bolinsky  
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House Bill 5576  
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My thanks to the Honorable Co-Chairs, Senator Winfield and Representative Butler; Ranking Members Senator Hwang and Representative Kupchik; as well as the entire Housing Committee for your consideration today of HB 5576, AN ACT CONCERNING ADDITIONAL CREDIT FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING BUILT FOR SENIOR CITIZENS.

HB 5576 would promote increased affordable housing stock for senior citizens by allowing certain senior housing units to be allocated one point toward section 8-30g moratorium calculations. I feel that it is discrimination to not grant a full point to senior housing. In many towns in Connecticut it is not easy financially for our seniors to stay in towns they have raised their families. When they have no option but to leave we lose the value of their population. We need to develop policies that will encourage our seniors to stay in Connecticut. This bill will be a good start.

Thank you for your time and should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Respectfully,

Representative Mitch Bolinsky