

March 30, 2015

OPPOSITION to SB0650, HB6847 and HB6962

Dear Committee Member,

Please become a voice to prevent crime and keep our children safe. Rather than enacting new meaningless laws (SB0650, HB6847 and HB6962) PLEASE work on improvements to the mental health system, enforce existing laws, and enhancing security at our schools.

I would ask you to oppose bills SB0650 and HB6847

These bills should not have any standing nor support due to the fact that it violates both the Constitution of our Country and the Constitution of our State.

Current law already provides a mechanism for committing dangerous persons involuntarily in an emergency situation, which already results in the committed person being prohibited from possessing firearms. Furthermore, Connecticut law already provides for “imminent risk warrants” to be issued, allowing law enforcement to seize firearms and ammunition when probable cause exists to warrant such necessary action.

I would ask you to oppose bill HB6962

It is already law in Connecticut that loaded firearms within close proximity to minors must be safely secured. This proposal has little to do with making it safer for children and only impedes our rights to self-defense. This bill would encompass every home (not only those with young children residing in them) and apply to unloaded firearms that pose no threat to anyone. This one-size fits all approach is a solution to a non-existent problem and is both over-reaching and not based on fact.

Sincerely,
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