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Connecticut State Constitution, Article I, Section 6,
Connecticut State Constitution, Article I, Section 7,
Connecticut State Constitution, Article I, Section 8, as amended, Nov. 24, 1982,
Connecticut State Constitution, Article I, Section 10,
Connecticut State Constitution, Article I, Section 12,
Connecticut State Constitution, Article I, Section 13,
Connecticut State Constitution, Article I, Section 15,
Connecticut State Constitution, Article I, Section 19, as amended, Dec, 22, 1972,
Connecticut State Constitution, Article I, Section 20, as amended, Nov 28, 1984

I post you in opposition to the proposed bill, SB650. I find this language a gross violation of civil rights in just the few examples I mention above. Every one of you swore an oath or affirmation to this states Constitution, and yet for the sake of political expediency, you deem yourselves worldly enough to make citizens guilty of crimes that have not been committed. In a free country, the only time a citizen has doings with a state government is if that citizen is in violation of law, as judged to be so by a jury of a duly instituted court, not on the word alone of some aggrieved. There has to be immediate due process or we cease to be citizens, and become subjects. If the Lt Governor has her way, as long as "some day" I get my day in court, then my rights have somehow been preserved? A right delayed is the same as a right denied.

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"If the representatives of the people betray their constituents, there is then no recourse left but in the exertion of that original right of self-defense which is paramount to all positive forms of government." --Alexander Hamilton, Federalist No. 28, 1787

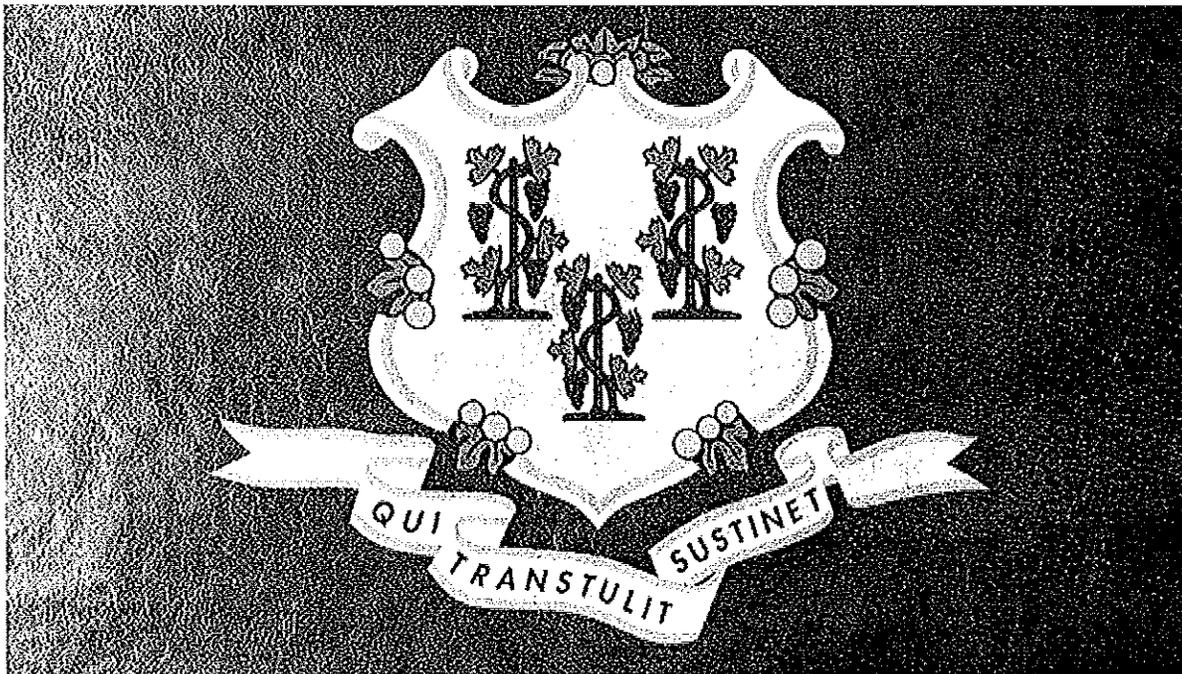
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Connecticut: Unconstitutional Bill That Denies Due Process Before Committee as Early as Today



Today, the Judiciary Committee is expected to vote on an unconstitutional bill that denies due process to gun owners, sponsored by "F-rated" Senator Martin Looney (D-11). Since previously reported, Senate Bill 650's language has become available, and it is even worse than expected.

SB 650 would allow your gun rights to be stripped without due process of law. This legislation would require a sworn police officer to serve all ex parte temporary restraining orders when the applicant indicates on the application that the respondent has access to a firearm or ammunition, or holds a valid state-issued firearm or ammunition permit or eligibility certificate. An ex parte temporary restraining order is one where only one side, the applicant, makes a claim and doesn't have to appear in front of a judge before the order is issued. Upon the delivery of the order, the police officer would then immediately confiscate all legally owned firearms, ammunition, carry permits and eligibility certificates BEFORE a person has had a hearing before a court to determine the merits of the complaint made against them.

If firearms are confiscated erroneously or a court ultimately dismisses an order, and since a person does not have an immediate ability to have a hearing or right to be heard before a court before their firearms, ammunition, permits, certificates are taken, the wait is often as long as two years or longer to get your firearms, ammunition certificates and permits returned to you. There is also, unfortunately, no reprisal for filing a false claim. This bill takes unnecessary steps to blatantly circumvent your rights.

It is clear that the Governor and some misguided legislators have only one interest –gun confiscation and limiting the rights of the law-abiding in Connecticut, as they have shown no interest in providing respondents with an opportunity to be heard before a judge ahead of losing their Second Amendment rights. In fact, this legislation even removes verbatim “an opportunity to be heard” from the current state statute that protects individuals in these circumstances today.

It's important for gun owners to have the opportunity to put up their own defense before losing their Second Amendment rights. This bill's low evidentiary standards and lack of a mechanism for individuals to present their own defense before being deprived of their constitutional rights is unacceptable.

There is a small group of legislators that recently held a press conference to expose the severe problems in this bill. They need your help convincing the remaining committee members that this bill is unconstitutional. **It is CRITICAL that you IMMEDIATELY use the links provided below to contact members of the Judiciary Committee and urge them to oppose Senate Bill 650. Please also consider submitting testimony by [clicking here](#).**

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