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To the Honorable Members of the Committee in Judiciary;

It has come to my attention that birth mothers in the state of Connecticut do not have access to the relinquishment contract they signed when relinquishing their children into the custody of the state or other entity.

When I was told that this was the case and that this bill was necessary, honestly I was amazed. It does not seem that this could even be legal to withhold such papers. It is a contract between two people and I would assume both parties are entitled to a copy.

I could, at this point write an impassioned letter about being part of the adoption community and already feeling like our rights are violated on so many other levels but this does not seem necessary, as I am sure this bill is so "common sense" that it will pass effortlessly.

So, I thank you in advance for seeing the clarity of the law and granting an otherwise overlooked group of our population the right to a document that was 100% theirs in the first place.

Thank you for your service,

Marci Purcell