CONNECTICUT STATE FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

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Senator Anthony Guglielmo, Ranking Member Public Safety & Security Committee
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Members of the Public Safety & Security Committee,

Raised House Bill #6777 – AA REQUIRING THE INSTALLATION OF AUTOMATIC FIRE EXTINGUISHING SYSTEMS IN NEW RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS

My name is Ted Schroll, Legislative Representative for the Connecticut State Firefighters Association. Our Association represents more than 26,000 paid and volunteer firefighters and Fire Chiefs in Connecticut. I would like to comment on the subject bill on the agenda for today's public hearing.

The Connecticut State Firefighters Association supports this bill which would require Automatic Fire Extinguishing Systems in all new one and two family homes. It has been stated that the cost of residential sprinklers is not cost effective. We would ask:

WHAT IS THE LIFE OF A CONNECTICUT CITIZEN WORTH??

WHAT IS THE LIFE OF A FIREFIGHTER WORTH??

SPRINKLERS DO SAVE LIVES

We thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony.

Respectfully,

Ted Schroll Jr.

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