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Transportation Committee
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Testimony in support of H.B. 5454 AN ACT CONCERNING THE PENALTIES FOR FAILURE TO PROVIDE PROOF OF REQUIRED FINANCIAL SECURITY COVERAGE FOR PRIVATE PASSENGER MOTOR VEHICLE.

Senator Maynard, Representative Guerrero, Senator Boucher, Representative O'Dea and the entire membership of the Transportation Committee, thank you for allowing me testify in support of *HB 5454 An Act Concerning The Penalties For Failure To Provide Proof Of Required Financial Security Coverage For Private Passenger Motor Vehicles*. The purpose of the bill is to provide local and state police departments the authority to impound a vehicle in the event proper insurance is not produced by the operator of the motor vehicle.

Eligibility requirements to become a licensed driver in Connecticut have recently been expanded. Due to the expansion, we must be certain our statutory language preserves the integrity of all driving regulations and requirements. As a result, we must provide the resources necessary to allow our law enforcement agencies to protect our roads. By passing this legislation, we would be offering peace of mind to all drivers here in Connecticut.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lezlye Zupkus".

Lezlye Zupkus
State Representative, 89th District