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**Written Testimony for H.B. 6047  
AN ACT PROVIDING PROPER FUNDING FOR STATE HATCHERIES.**

Dear Environment Committee,

I strongly support HB -06047.

I have enjoyed recreational fishing in Connecticut most of my life. In my experience, the trout fishing in Connecticut is the best in the Northeast.

Having operational and funded fish hatcheries in Connecticut not only provides a healthy and abundant fishery population in our lakes, streams and rivers but it also supports the healthy, outdoor experience that we wish to bestow upon our state's children.

Recreational fishing supports the " No Kids Left Inside" program by providing a healthy alternative to our state's children.

Elimination of our fishery programs would have a negative impact on many Connecticut residents. In order to sustain these programs a long term solution is needed before any other budget cuts are made.

I urge the members of the Environment Committee to support this bill.

Thank you,

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