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Senator Coleman, Representative Tong, Senator Kissel, Representative Rebimbas, and distinguished members of the Judiciary Committee,

I am state Senator Michael McLachlan, and I am testifying today in support of Senate Bill 1093, *An Act Concerning Evasion Of responsibility In The Operation Of A Motor Vehicle*.

This legislation would increase the penalties for hit-and-run drivers in the case of serious injury or death.

Last November, a woman in my district, Rachel Sack, was killed during a hit-an-run accident. Sack was a 23 year old woman, who worked at Danbury Regional Hospice as a nurse's assistant. She was a loving sister and daughter, and also the mother of a 9 week old son named Jackson.

It has been over four months since this accident occurred, and her killer has still not been found nor held accountable. Sack's parents, who have taken her son into their custody, work every day towards identifying who committed this terrible crime.

This legislation will hold those who participate in hit-and-run accidents more accountable by increasing the fine and imprisonment time for this crime.

Let's pass this bill-for the good and safety of the people of Connecticut

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely Yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael A. McLachlan".

Michael A. McLachlan
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