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TESTIMONY OF
REPRESENTATIVE LINDA ORANGE, 48TH DISTRICT OF COLCHESTER,
LEBANON, WINDHAM, MANSFIELD

Public Hearing January 29, 2015

RE: HB 5080 AN ACT CONCERNING LARGE RETAIL STORES AND
EMPLOYMENT OF WORKERS DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON.

Many thanks to the Committee for bringing this bill to the Public Hearing today. Proposed bill 5080 would enable employees to enjoy the holiday with family and friends.

This legislation would require large retail stores to close on certain holidays unless employees are given the option to work holidays without being reprimanded. There are employees who work in retail and feel pressured by management to work during the holiday season. This legislation would allow the employee to comfortably refuse to work during this time.

In closing, I thank you for your consideration of Proposed Bill 5080 and I strongly and respectfully urge you to think of the employees during the holiday season. Please contact me with any questions or concerns.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Linda Orange".

Representative Linda Orange