



**Written Testimony of  
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Good Day Senator Winfield, Representative Tercyak, Senator Hwang and Representative Rutigliano and members of the Labor and Public Employees Committee. Thank you for the opportunity to provide you with written testimony regarding *Senate Bill 445 AAC Plan for the Connecticutcorps Program*. My name is Sharon Palmer and I am the Labor Commissioner.

The proposed bill calls for the Labor Department to work with other agencies to develop a plan to implement a Connecticutcorps program to assess the vitality of current employment programs, identify job sites in the state and conduct research regarding stipends, housing and healthcare options for state residents. This is an interesting concept and I look forward to receiving additional information, including what resources will be allotted for the implementation of this program.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input concerning this proposed bill.