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Testimony

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Proposed Bill No. 6571. An Act Concerning the Municipal Tax Collection Statutes

The Connecticut Tax Collectors' Association is in support of this bill. It is procedural in nature and looks to supplement the more comprehensive amendments recently made to the tax collection statutes in Public Act 13-276. The proposed bill would provide certain new protections for taxpayers while clearing up confusion for Tax Collectors.

For example, Section 1 would clarify that towns must follow any written instructions as to which of multiple taxable properties a payment is to be applied. Section 2 would extend the "post mark" rule from envelopes to electronic payments so that interest will not be charged if a taxpayer submits an online payment by the deadline. The proposed bill would clarify the definition of an on-time payment made electronically, stating that it must be time stamped by the electronic system by 11:59 pm the day of the due date. As stated previously, this particular bill is procedural in nature and beneficial to both taxpayers and Tax Collectors and as an association we are strongly in favor of it passing into law.

I would appreciate your support for proposed bill # 6571.

