

I am sending this email in opposition of HB 5521 – please see below.
Thank you in advance for your consideration.

HB 5521: AN ACT REQUIRING LICENSURE OF MASTER'S LEVEL PSYCHOLOGISTS

Dear Senator Gerratana, Representative Ritter and Members of the Public Health
Committee:

As a Licensed Psychologist in Connecticut, I am writing in strong opposition to HB 5521, for
the following 4 reasons:

- 1) The term “psychologist” reflects doctoral level providers (both in Connecticut and on a
national level);
- 2) Allowing licensure of master’s level psychologists would create public confusion
regarding provider education and training; and,
- 3) Master’s level clinicians are currently able to become licensed in Connecticut as
“Licensed Professional Counselors” (LPC’s).
- 4) This bill does not impact school psychologists, as they are under the authority of the
Department of Education.

For each of these reasons, I am urging you to oppose HB 5521.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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