



Testimony to: Senator Terry Gerratana, Representative Matthew Ritter, Senator Markley, Representative Srinivasan and the Members of the Public Health Committee

In Opposition to: House Bill 5625

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

My name is Amy Mongillo. I am a Dental Hygienist and I also serve as the President of the Connecticut Dental Hygienists' Association and am representing that organization today in opposition to House Bill 5625, *An Act Concerning the Definition of Surgery*.

This proposed legislation would redefine many practice acts, including ours. We would suggest that this bill be held and that the proper forum to address such issues is the Scope of Practice Review Committee process in the Department of Public Health. If a scope committee is created to review a definition of surgery, our organization would seek to participate in the process.

Thank you for considering the views of the Connecticut Dental Hygienists' Association.