



Testimony to the Public Committee

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Regarding

HB 5904, An Act Requiring the Establishment of an Elder Abuse Registry

[LeadingAge Connecticut](#) is a statewide membership organization representing not-for-profit provider organizations serving older adults across the continuum of aging services, including not-for-profit skilled nursing facilities, residential care homes, home health care agencies, hospice agencies, adult day centers, assisted living communities, senior housing and continuing care retirement communities. On behalf of LeadingAge Connecticut I am pleased to submit the following testimony to the Public Health Committee regarding *HB 5904, An Act Requiring the Establishment of an Elder Abuse Registry*.

This bill would require the establishment of an elder abuse registry that would contain information on health care providers who have been convicted of abuse of an elderly person. LeadingAge Connecticut does not object to this bill, but we question why the registry would be restricted to providers as it is not just providers who commit abuse.

Thank you for this opportunity to submit testimony on this issue. Please consider us to be a resource to you as you consider this and other issues related to aging services.

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