

Good morning Senator Gerratana, Representative Ritter, and members of the Public Health Committee,

I am from Fairfield, Connecticut and I would like to testify on House Bill 5915: An Act Concerning the Practice of Classical Homeopathy. **I support this bill and would like your support to get it passed.**

This is important because:

- We need access to well-trained homeopaths in Connecticut.
- We need choice in our medical care providers and healthcare styles
- Homeopathy is a safe, affordable and gentle modality of health care
- There is an increasing demand for more natural healthcare

Access to homeopaths is limited in CT. There is an antiquated law from 1893 that says only medically trained people can practice homeopathy in CT, of which there are a very few. With so few homeopaths in CT, people either never hear about this option or must travel to another state to find a homeopath.

Passing this legislation would keep the bar high by allowing nationally board certified classical homeopaths (CCHs) to be able to offer their services in CT. The CCH is the highest level of achievement for a professional homeopathy and the credential is recognized worldwide.

Thank you for your support.

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