

HB5915: An Act Concerning the Practice of Classical Homeopathy

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To: Senator Terry Gerratana  
Representative Matt Ritter  
Distinguished Members of the Public Health Committee

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I am writing to ask your support of HB5915: An Act Concerning the Practice of Classical Homeopathy. I have been studying, using and teaching homeopathy for over 20 years. As a former Special Education teacher, my specialty as a nationally Certified Classical Homeopath is working with children with special needs and their families. I have been practicing in Massachusetts for the past 10 years, not in Connecticut where I reside.

This is the third testimony I have written since we have sought legislation for the past five years. The *CT Alliance To Advance Homeopathy* is a relatively new group of CT citizens started last year when I realized the need to disseminate accurate information about Homeopathy and support the legislative efforts of the group *Homeopathy for Connecticut*.

Last year I testified about the effectiveness of homeopathy in treating mental health issues in children. Discussion and concern about this issue has been even more prevalent in the news, especially in our State and since the background regarding all aspects of the incident in Sandy Hook has been made public. Services provided by nationally Certified Classical Homeopaths can be an additional, affordable, effective option as Connecticut moves forward to increase mental health care for its citizens, most importantly its children.

For example, Homeopathy can offer a choice to parents who would like an alternative to having to treat anxiety in their 5 year old with psychiatric drugs that have only been tested on adults and have terrible side effects. Homeopathy has been proven in clinical and research studies to be effective in treating not only anxiety in children but also AD/HD, Conduct Disorders, OCD, depression and cognitive deficiencies and comes with NO lengthy warnings of possible side effects. (See list of resources at the end of this testimony.)

Classical Homeopathy is an over 200 year old, scientifically proven form of health care that is practiced in all 50 States and used worldwide by millions of people.

What's missing for me is the freedom to practice my profession here in my home State and the opportunity to better serve not just children with special needs but all CT citizens who seek an alternative choice in health care.

We were all so hopeful last year and grateful for the perseverance the Committee demonstrated and are hopeful this year for the passage of a law. With all the work that has been done this past year to better inform legislators of the possible opportunities Homeopathy can offer residents with real needs, I am very optimistic you will continue to support this issue and vote HB#5915 out of Committee and into law.

I thank you and your staff for all your efforts.

Respectfully submitted,  
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Resources:

*Rage-Free Kids: Homeopathic Medicine for Defiant, Aggressive and Violent Children* by Judyth Reichenberg-Ullman, ND, LCSW and Robert Ullman, ND.

*Ritalin Free Kids: Safe and Effective Homeopathic Medicine for AD/HD and Other Behavioral and Learning Problems* by Judyth Reichenberg-Ullman, ND, LCSW and Robert Ullman, ND. (Revised Second Edition)

*A Drug-Free approach to Asperger Syndrome and Autism: Homeopathic Care for Exceptional Kids* by Judyth Reichenberg-Ullman, ND, LCSW, Robert Ullman, ND, and Ian Luepker, ND.

*An Impossible Cure: The Promise of Homeopathy* by Amy Lansky, PhD