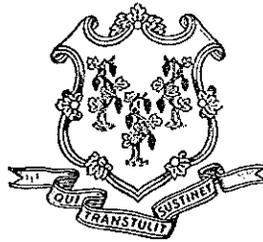


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**Proposed H.B. No. 5452
Session Year 2015**

Good afternoon, I am here to testify in support of *HB 5452 An Act Requiring The Replacement Of The Bridge Over The Mattabassett River At The Border Of Middletown And Cromwell*. I am the State Senator from the 9th district which contains Cromwell and Middletown.

I want to thank the leaders of the Transportation Committee, Representative Guerrero, Senator Boucher and Representative O'Dea and the entire membership of the Transportation committee for allowing me to testify in support of *H.B. 5452* today.

HB 5452 seeks the reconstruction of and widening of the Mattabassett Bridge on Route 3 (Newfield Street) in Middletown from two lanes to four lanes. The Mattabassett Bridge is located on the boarder of Middletown and Cromwell on Route 3. Currently Route 3 is a very busy state road that has significant traffic problems throughout the day but especially at rush hour. Route 3 consists of sections with two lanes and some with four lanes.

If this bill is passed and the bridge is reconstructed with four lanes then it will be possible to improve the flow of Route 3 by making the entire length of Route 3 four lanes.

HB 5452 is supported by the entire Middletown delegation which consists of myself, Senator Bartolomeo, Representative Serra, and Representative Lesser, as well as Larry McHugh who is the President of the Middlesex County Chamber of Commerce.

I ask that the Transportation Committee vote to draft *HB 5452* and later vote to *JF HB 5452* to the House Floor.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of the letters 'P', 'R', and 'D' in a stylized, cursive font. The 'P' is tall and thin, the 'R' is shorter and has a curved top, and the 'D' is the tallest, with a long, sweeping tail that extends to the right.

Paul R. Doyle
State Senator