

Testimony for hearing of (S.J.5) On Friday, Feb. 19, 2016

Protecting our Forests, State Parks, and our Environment,

We need to address the importance of our changing Connecticut/World climate, and how our forests and parks are so very important towards helping this critical problem. Climate affects Citizens of Connecticut daily in everything we do. To have a source like our beautiful State Parks and forests to help minimize the climate change is a gift. Very hot summers with little rain, and very cold winters are signs of climate change. We know forests help keep CO2 emissions down, and protecting and keeping our State Parks and forests safe and healthy will go a long way toward helping our environment now and for the future. To keep our precious Connecticut Forests safe, we need more managing through tending to help our parks and forests stay healthy, we need to create new forests after fire or other deforestation, and we need support to keep forests safe from conversion to development. Connecticut Parks and Forests are part of our future, so Please support the Constitutional Amendment (S.J.5), to protect our State Parks, Forests, Wildlife Management Areas, and State-owned Agricultural Lands.

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