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**To:** JudTestimony  
**Subject:** HB 5054 and HB 5597

I am writing to express my support for HB 5054, An Act Protecting Victims of Domestic Violence, and SB 429, An Act Concerning Service of Restraining Orders.

Also, I oppose HB 5597, because it sets in motion the risk warrant process if a restraining order indicates that the subject is in possession of a firearm. Many victims of abuse fear violent reprisals from the abuser when police are brought to the home who then may get an immediate warrant to remove the subject's firearms. These victims much prefer the safer route of going to the court for a restraining order.

It important that we recognize that easy access to guns increases the risk of gun violence. As a resident and voter in the state of Connecticut, I expect you support the health and safety of our citizens.

Sincerely and with expectation,

Charlie Galliher