

**Carroll, Rhonda**

---

**From:** Iscacco849@aol.com  
**Sent:** Friday, March 11, 2016 12:16 PM  
**To:** JUDtestimony@cga.ct.gov.  
**Subject:** RE: an act protecting victims of domestic violence

Dear Legislators,

I am writing in support of HB 5054, An Act Protecting Victims of Domestic Violence; and SB 429 An Act Concerning Service of Restraining Orders, the first requiring having sworn police officers make service of temporary restraining orders and the second removing firearms from subjects of temporary restraining orders pending a hearing to take place no more than 14 days later.

I am also writing in opposition to bill, 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. The risk warrant process, while effective and well intentioned, does not serve the needs of many domestic violence victims, because it immediately sends police to confront the abuser. Police can then seek an immediate warrant to remove firearms from that person. Many victims of abuse fear violent reprisals from the abuser in bringing police into this process and much prefer going to the safety and protection of the court for the restraining order.

Thank you.

Linda Scacco  
25 Arlington Road  
West Hartford, CT. 06107  
860-490-6699