

My name is Helen Bonoff and I am a resident of East Hampton, CT. I am also a Board Certified assistant Behavior Analyst. I have worked as a therapist in both the private and public school sectors.

I am writing to express my support for SB 292.

I know how important Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) therapy is to significantly improving the lives of children diagnosed with autism and other developmental disorders. I have personally helped over 2 dozen children learn functional skills enabling an improved quality of life for them and their families.

It is imperative that ABA Therapy consumers, the funders of such services and the integrity of the 548 BCBA's and BCaBA's in Connecticut be protected.

It is time for Connecticut join its neighbors and the other 21 states who require that only certified and licensed Behavior Analysts provide ABA therapy.

I hope you pass SB 292 without delay.

Thank you,