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TO: The Public Safety and Security Committee

RE: Support: [H.B. No. 5409](#) AN ACT CONCERNING APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR A TEMPORARY STATE PERMIT TO CARRY A PISTOL OR A REVOLVER.

I am writing to express my support for HB 5409, which I understand attempts to create uniform criteria for the issuance of a temporary state permit to carry a pistol or revolver.

This is a bill that has been too long in the waiting. All across Connecticut, local issuing authorities in town and cities have not only ignored the basic requirements of the State permit, they have also seen fit to require additional requirements and fees that violate state law and which in some cases appear to be unconstitutional.

Where you live in CT should not determine the amount of effort, level of documentation or costs involved in applying for a state carry permit.

Having a state mandated set of consistent requirements and fees will make the permit request and issuance process much easier on both the citizens and the government employees, and will stem the tide of BoPE challenges and lawsuits over this issue.

Respectfully,

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