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Dear Members of the CT Legislative Public Safety Committee:

My name is Herbert Furhman of Gaylordsville, CT.

I am a CT Police Academy POST certified firearms instructor, and 30-year retired police officer. I have served 23 years under the CT State Police Resident Trooper System, the State Department of Correction and the Parole Division. I have been a certified firearm instructor for many years. I currently instruct police officers, federal agents, military, armed security officers, bail enforcement agents and the public at large, from youth to adults. I am a CT State Police approved instructor for the CT Security Officer Guard Card and Armed Security Officer Courses.

I am in favor of SB No. 237 (Raised) An Act Concerning The Training of Security Personnel.

I have trained and certified Connecticut Security Officers, both armed and unarmed for a number of years. These men and women require more training than is currently required at the present. How can a security officer who observes a person committing a crime restrain and control an alleged criminal without the use of restraints, or protect themselves and others from harm using oc pepper spray or a police baton without the proper training? Armed security officers also need expanded firearms training than is currently required. In short, these proprietary security employees must be properly trained in the legitimate use of such tools and understand the ramifications of reasonable and deadly use of force.

I hope you will recommend this bill for passage and expand training requirements.

Respectfully submitted,



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