

Testimony in Favor of House Bill 5394
AAC Endorsements of Town Committee Member

February 29, 2016

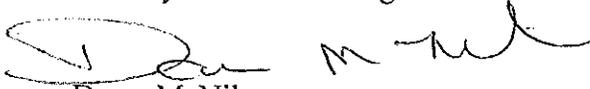
Senator Cassano, Representative Julia, and Distinguished Member of the Committee:

I am writing in support of House Bill 5394, I am not able to attend but wanted my comments for the record.

Town Committee chairs learned of a new requirement for persons endorsed as town committee members only a week in advance of their caucuses. Many were unable to fill their slates as they could not get the signatures of members who were running, for those they were able to get it took running around to obtain their signatures if they were unable to attend the caucus. I personally had members who were out of the country or state. I will have to fill these vacancies at the first regular meeting in March.

As you can see this requirement created a number of unintended consequences and thus I would like the Town Committee requirement removed.

Thank you for addressing this concern.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dawn M. Niles", written in a cursive style.

Dawn M. Niles
Chair
Windham DTC