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**From:** pauljr.7@juno.com  
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**To:** HSGTestimony  
**Subject:** House Bill 5342

Dear Honorable members of the Housing Committee:

My name Paul Palmer and I am the owner of several rental apartments leased to members of my local community. I would first and foremost like to state that I fully support the concept of fair and equal housing opportunities for all, however, I am rather disturbed after learning that any landlord accused of violating the CT Fair Housing Law does not have equal protections under our current statutes that the accuser has, and I urgently feel that this "unfair" needs to be rectified.

I encourage you to vote in favor of House Bill 5342 as it was originally intended and extend to owners the right to one appeal if they choose to have an administrative hearing, just as currently, tenants have unlimited appeal rights (reconsideration) and owners have none. For owners to have no right of appeal, tenants could maliciously and without control drive landlords into the ground as owners have no recourse.

Thank You

Paul Palmer Jr