



STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
SENTENCING COMMISSION

*Testimony of Alex Tsarkov Before the Judiciary Committee on House Bill 5529, An Act Concerning Sexual Offender Registration Laws, Residency Restrictions for Registered Sexual Offenders.*

Senator Coleman, Representative Tong, Senator Kissel, Representative Rebimbas, and members of the Judiciary Committee. For the record, my name is Alex Tsarkov. I am the Executive Director of the Connecticut Sentencing Commission.

The Connecticut Sentencing Commission is not offering comment in favor of or in opposition to this proposal, but rather would ask that the legislature remain mindful of the study mandated by Special Act 15-2 during the 2015 legislative session. That act requires the Commission to take a comprehensive look at the registration, management, residency restrictions, and sentencing of sexual offenders in Connecticut. The act further requires the Commission to submit reports on its study to the General Assembly on February 1, 2016 and December 15, 2017.

The Commission submitted its interim report this past February, has convened key stakeholders of the criminal justice system and is in the process of conducting a comprehensive evidence based evaluation regarding these topics.

For your information, I have enclosed a copy of the Commission's interim report per Special Act 15-2. Thank you for your consideration of this testimony.

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**2016 Interim Report  
Special Committee on Sex Offenders**

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