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TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HOUSE BILL 5041 AN ACT CONCERNING THE PRIVATIZATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

Good Morning Co-Chairs Senator Maynard, Representative Guerrero; Vice Chairs Senator Leone, Representative Arce; Ranking Members Senator Boucher, Representative O'Dea; and esteemed members of the Committee. My name is Gayle Mulligan and I proudly represent the 55th, serving the wonderful towns of Andover, Bolton, Hebron and Marlborough. I am writing today in support of HB 5041.

Since the recent system upgrades with the Department of Motor Vehicles, there have been a vast array of issues concerning the personal information of the people of Connecticut. Constituents have been subjected to unnecessary and outlandish delays concerning their licenses and vehicles. After the upgrade, people are having their licenses suspended or revoked. Others have had their registration suspended and even vehicles impounded. Due to these issues, I believe it is time to look outside the box in order to restore civility to motor vehicles.

By privatizing the DMV, I contend we can prevent these instances from reoccurring in the future. This is not to say I do not respect the employees of the department, we have all been to the DMV and although there are struggles, the job usually gets done. However, the massive issues which the people of the state have endured the last few months are inexcusable and most be corrected. I am not saying this should be done overnight but the process must begin now. It is time the government of the Connecticut begins to simplify the bureaucracy and eliminate another tiresome hurdle for the people of the state.

Kind Regards

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gayle Mulligan".

Gayle Mulligan
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