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Passage of legislation like SB-269 will go a long way toward ensuring a better regulatory environment and a better working relationship between state agencies and small businesses in Connecticut, the majority of whom want to do the “right thing” and quickly remediate any inadvertent noncompliance. This legislation will move towards creating some much needed regulatory relief for small businesses and will certainly help foster a more business-friendly reputation for the state of Connecticut and its administrative agencies.

Finally, NFIB would suggest to the proponents and the Committee to consider making the following changes to the bill: (1) add language at the end of line 23, to the effect of the following, “Nothing in this section shall prohibit the Commissioner from suspending civil penalties or allowing a small business entity to remediate for a violation that is not a first-time offense”. (2) **The Committee could also consider a distinction be made for any pure paperwork or filing violations, the suspension of which should be automatic** and without necessitating the request of the small business owner.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment, and NFIB urges support for this measure. For any questions or additional information, please contact Andy Markowski, NFIB/Connecticut State Director, at 860-248-NFIB.