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HB 5129 An Act Establishing a "Save our Lakes" Number Plate to Combat Aquatic Invasive Species and Cyanobacteria Blooms.
Environment Committee
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Representative Harding, Representative Gresko, Senator Flexer, Senator Somers and the distinguished members of the Environment Committee, thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of HB 5129, An Act Establishing a "Save our Lakes" Number Plate to Combat Aquatic Invasive Species and Cyanobacteria Blooms. I would like to thank the Committee for raising this concept and I would like to place my full support behind this legislation.

As the representative from the 67th District, Candlewood Lake makes up the largest body of water in Connecticut and holds high importance to my constituents. It is vital for the upkeep of our lakes, ponds, rivers and streams that we generate funds and awareness against these aquatic pests. Without this bill, the residents of New Milford and the State of Connecticut could likely see their beloved bodies of water overrun by invasive species. I believe this is the best option for Connecticut and a future of clean water.

Thank you for raising this proposal and I look forward to working with the committee to move this legislation forward.

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