

Testimony of
Conservation Coalition
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BILL SB 104
AN ACT PROHIBITING THE USE OF RESIDENTIAL AUTOMATIC PESTICIDE MISTING
SYSTEMS.

To Chairmen of the Environment Committee, Senators Kennedy, Miner and Representative
Demicco and Members of the Environment Committee:

I belong to the group Conservation Coalition, and we strongly believe that Pesticide Misting
Systems must be banned in Connecticut. Misting devices are not regulated at the state or federal
level, while the oversight of pesticide regulation is lax at best. These misting devices, installed at
the perimeter of the property, will cause the spread of toxic chemicals into neighboring yards.

Further, many of us have young children and pets and we maintain organic vegetable and organic
native plant gardens on our premises. We believe that any type of pesticide is harmful to our
health and the health of our families. Automated misting devices installed on the perimeter of a
neighbors garden will most definitely intensify chemicals sprayed into our garden and have a
bad effect on our health.

Please do what needs to be done to ban these devices that are used to continuously spray poisons
into our yards.

Thank you,

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