



Testimony on House Bill 7187

Good afternoon distinguished members of the Judiciary Committee. My name is Isabel Blank. I am Manager, External Affairs at the Yankee Institute for Public Policy, and I am writing to testify in support of House Bill 7187, An Act Concerning Revocation of a Public Official's Pension or a State or Municipal Employee's Pension. For questions or follow up, please contact me at isabel@yankeeinstitute.org.

This bill is straightforward, bipartisan, and simply commonsensical. In certain circumstances, statute already requires the attorney general to apply to the Superior Court for an order to revoke or reduce the benefits of public officials or employees who are convicted of or plead guilty or no contest to certain crimes.

This bill simply requires that state prosecutors inform the attorney general of these instances so that court proceedings can begin.

This bill does not broaden powers for pension revocation nor does it increase the number of eligible crimes. It simply streamlines the procedure that already exists.

For these reasons, we urge you to support this bill.