To the receiver of this testimony:

I actively oppose (HB 5040) the 35% tax hike on ammunition sales in Connecticut. This tax in NO way will do anything to prevent a criminal from causing harm to another human being with a firearm. A criminal does not follow laws, and criminals do not purchase their firearms/ammunition lawfully either. This tax would only hurt the law abiding gun owners of CT. who purchase lawfully to practice their Constitutional right. This tax would make our state more dangerous, as recreational target practice would diminish and law abiding gun owners would be less proficient with their firearms. I also believe you will have most law abiding gun owners begin to make their own rounds to avoid this tax, and again can be dangerous if the person manufacturing these rounds has not been educated properly in this practice.

Our Connecticut Democratic law makers need to stop attacking our Constitutional Rights. Start looking at the real problem of Mental Illness in this state. Guns aren’t the problem...the sick person behind a gun is !!!

Thank You,

Paul Serio Sr. (Connecticut Resident)