

Connecticut Valley Vizsla Club, Inc.

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RE: SB123

Dear Connecticut Joint Committee Members:

This letter is submitted to you by the Officers and Board Members of the Connecticut Valley Vizsla Club (CVVC). Our Club was incorporated in 1972 for the purpose of friendship among owners and encouraging breeders to pursue high standards for conformation, trainability, health and temperament of the Vizsla.

CVVC values the contribution that working dogs make to national security and the extraordinary role that these dogs play in protecting the peace and security of individuals, communities and nationals against extremist threats. We also honor the breeders, trainers, and handlers of these dogs, and support expanded scientific research and breeding programs to ensure that sufficient high quality domestically-bred dogs are available to ensure public safety and national security.

CVVC is writing in support of SB 123 to increase the penalty for injuring or killing a police K-9 under the supervision of an officer or a dog that is a member of a volunteer canine search and rescue team, from a class D to a class C felony.

Thank you for your consideration,

Connecticut Valley Vizsla Club, Inc.

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