



Western Connecticut Health Network, Affiliates, Inc
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

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To Whom It May Concern:

Please be advised that Western Connecticut Health Network, Emergency Medical Services supports the rear seatbelt law proposed in sections 16 and 17 of HB.6484. Unrestrained passengers are at higher risk of injury or death, no matter where they are in the vehicle, and are more likely to become a projectile and injure others. Connecticut's front seatbelt law has saved many lives, and we encourage legislators to build on this success and enact a mandatory rear seatbelt law.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Matthew Cassavechia".

Matthew Cassavechia
Director, Emergency Medical Services