

Thank you to Chairmen Flexer and Fox and ranking members Senator Sampson and Representative Mastrofranceso.

My name is Dominic Rapini - I am a businessman from New Haven county and I have been a CT voter for over 40 years. I chair the Board of Directors for Fight Voter Fraud, Inc - a non-profit dedicated to fighting for Election Integrity.



I am opposed to Bill 6205 which has the goal of bypassing the Connecticut Constitution. The founding document clearly outlines 6 valid reasons for voting absentee in a Connecticut Election. These principles have stood since the Civil War and the electorate has voted through world wars and multiple pandemics such as the 1918 and 1957 Influenza outbreaks and the 1968 Hong Kong Flu.

### **Reasons for Absentee Voting per the Connecticut Constitution:**

- 1) Military Service
- 2) Out of town
- 3) Personal Illness
- 4) Physical Disability
- 5) Religious reasons
- 6) Election worker or official

In the election year 2020 Connecticut violated it's own Constitution and allowed for a 7th excuse 'Fear of COVID' to be a valid reason to vote by mail.

**It was illegal then and it would be illegal now.**

We also saw that in 2020 1.2M Connecticut voters vote safely in person.

**In 2020 no one got sick, no one got COVID from voting.**

Vaccinations are accelerating, kids are getting back to school, Connecticut and the country are opening up. Its time for 'Normal' not a 'New Normal' -

Our guest J. Christian Adams will provide insights as to why Connecticut's electoral infrastructure is not ready for large scale, no excuse absentee voting. Fight Voter Fraud, Inc research of 103 double voters in 2020, delivered to Denise Merrill yesterday is just one example of this point and is in direct conflict with the narrative from the Secretary of the State which states the 2020 election was without major problems.

**Voting in person is still the safest way to make sure your vote counts.**

My final assertion is very simple:

**No Connecticut Citizen should have to decide between voting and violating the Constitution.**

With respect,

Dominic Rapini  
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