

- I have lived in CT for over 42 years and taken my cars for emission testing many times. Normally the whole process is simple. Take the car to the station, go in and pay \$20, give the attendant my keys and emission notice, and wait 15 minutes. to ½ an hour. During the pandemic, emissions testing is a big problem for all CT residents. A small service station is probably one of the worst places to be during the pandemic. Poor ventilation, customers coming in and out to pay for gas, and only one way in or out. I could wait outside but then I still have to go inside to pay. Additionally two other people have to handle my keys and one of them touches the car door, and the controls inside the car. Because of this, and to protect the lives of our residents, I give 100% of my support to Bill HB-6067 which extends the deadline for emission inspections during the pandemic and waives any late fees associated with the delay.
- I ask this committee to approve this Bill. After 1 year of following all the recommendations of the CDC, staying away from our grand children, wearing masks, staying home and wiping down everything we touch, it makes no sense to have people go for emission testing and be exposed to the Covid-19 hazards as I describe above. Given that this committee has already extended the deadline for testing twice already during this pandemic, I see no reason why the current extension proposal should not be approved. Please approve Bill HB-6067.

Thank You
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