September 14, 2015

Public Hearing on

PILOT

Written Testimony of Cathy K. Forcier

Ladies and Gentlemen–

I have been a public housing practitioner for over 25 years. My experience includes being the immediate past President of the Connecticut Chapter of the National Association of Housing & Redevelopment Officials more commonly known as CONN-NAHRO. I am currently the Executive Director of the Wethersfield Housing Authority.

I oppose the elimination of state paid PILOT for the State Moderate Rental Housing program properties. For my small 28 unit complex, this will mean a base rent increase of over $100 per month. This will affect the poorest residents on the property. These households have an approximate average of $22,000 in annual income. This rent increase will be a great burden to them and could result in higher legal costs for eviction.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy K. Forcier