

7/21/20 Testimony in support of LCO 3576, An Act Concerning Absentee Ballot Voting
Honorable Members of the GAE Committee:

I urge you to enact legislation to expand absentee ballot voting in the 2020 general election in response to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Changes to the CT statute should allow all eligible CT voters to vote lawfully with absentee ballots to protect themselves and reduce the risk of spreading infection to others. Voters should not have to risk their health or others' health when exercising their right to vote. It is the duty of our elected officials to protect the public and take appropriate action during a pandemic to safeguard their constituents.

Changes in the CT statute should allow voters to register and vote on election day at more than one polling place per town.

Changes in the CT statute must ensure that all voters in line by 8:00 p.m. are permitted to register and cast their vote, allow eligible voters to obtain absentee ballots beyond the November 2020 election and ensure safe voting rights as long as the pandemic lasts, including any possible special elections in 2021.

This is your opportunity to demonstrate to all in our state that you care enough to take action to protect all voters.

Thank you for your consideration,

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