

To Whom it May Concern,

I am rather concerned with this bill. With the calls for "defunding the police" there has been an uptick in violence around the country. New York city had a protest where anti police protesters assaulted the police. More shootings in New Haven and Hartford over the past week. How is a social worker going to handle a call for a shooting? With the proposal calling for the removal of qualified immunity, this will most likely be met with more lawsuits against the police, for just doing their job. You re going to punish the police, for doing their jobs? How quick do you think the Capital Police will jump to protect you, if someone threatens your life, while you are in the Capital building? There will be hesitation, out of concern that they could be sued and face penalties, for doing their job and protecting you. These fine, honorable officers, are there to protect you, and any visitor. Yet, you choose to stab them in the back, and throw them under the bus, for actions that have happened in other parts of the country. I have yet to hear of any of those types of case of physical force being used by a police officer here in CT. NO ONE has justified this position. Most of the police officers out there do great work, that hardly gets recognized by anyone.

Under Section 12, #5, the search warrant provision. I believe the US Courts allows no knock warrants. This is addressed in case law decided by the US Supreme Court. Wilson V Arkansas, 514 U.S. 927 (1995), and Richard V Wisconsin, 520 U.S. 385, 394 (1997)(Source:

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In certain circumstances, these types of warrant are allowed by courts and are considered reasonable by courts of law. Unless you just want drug dealers and wanted people to roam the streets and keep hurting your constituents. Because then, the public should sue the state legislators, personally and professionally, for not acting with reason, and leading to acts of violence. In my opinion.

Under the provision appointing a public member with a mental disability, to a position in POST, there should be a proviso that the person has the cognitive ability to understand the issues and be able to make a reasonable and educated decision on policy, training and provisions for all police officers in the state. Does the state legislature have a person with a mental disability making decisions for you? If not, then why not? A person who is appointed should have the cognitive ability to make the decisions, that can have an effect on the life or death, from policy, of our police officers?

§ 21 — PROHIBITION ON ASKING FOR NON-DRIVING IDENTIFICATION OR DOCUMENTATION Generally prohibits law enforcement from asking for non-driving identification or documentation for stops solely for a motor vehicle violation The bill generally prohibits law enforcement officials, during stops solely for motor vehicle violations, from asking drivers for any documentation or identification other than a driver's license, motor vehicle registration, and insurance identity card. This prohibition does not apply if (1) there is probable cause that a felony or misdemeanor offense has been committed, (2) the driver fails to produce a driver's license, or (3) the driver is subject to federal motor carrier regulation. This is stupid. They will be asking for ID when any of the exempt conditions occur. That' when the police will ask for any identification. So you just canceled out this whole section, if they don't produce an ID. You are just making people believe they don't have to produce an ID, if they commit any infraction, misdemeanor, or felony. That could lead to a pursuit, and possibly people getting hurt. By this section here. The legislature could be responsible for any injuries as a result of the misrepresentation of this section.

Under Section 29, Use of Deadly Physical Force. Section Factors to Determine Reasonableness. You state that the use of deadly physical force has

to be assessed if someone is using a dangerous weapon. I don't see a baseball bat or screwdriver as a listed weapon here, under 53-3(a). Any person who carries upon his or her person any BB. gun, blackjack, metal or brass knuckles, or any dirk knife, or any switch knife, or any knife having an automatic spring release device by which a blade is released from the handle, having a blade of over one and one-half inches in length, or stiletto, or any knife the edged portion of the blade of which is four inches or more in length, any police baton or nightstick, or any martial arts weapon or electronic defense weapon, as defined in [section 53a-3](#) , or any other dangerous or deadly weapon or instrument, shall be guilty of a class E felony.

So, if someone comes up and starts stabbing you with a screwdriver, a butter knife. If someone beats you to death, with a baseball bat, a piece of pipe, a tire iron, a police officer is NOT justified in the use of deadly physical force on the assailant. As far as assessing the use of de escalation techniques. If you are in the above circumstances, do you want an officer to take the time to say come on stop stabbing that person. It's not worth it. Please stop. Do you really think an assailant is going to stop? Who's going to pay out on the lawsuit on that one, for the cop not acting, because this proposal ties the hands of a police officers. By how I read it, you have stopped an officer from stopping the use of deadly physical force against a third person. Which contradicts other state laws under 53a-19.

This bill is flawed. This will result in the loss of police officers. When violence is on an uptick. There needs to be better education on the part of the legislature, from those that know, and not from those that do not know, what the police need to do their job safely, properly, and still have a chance to keep their job without fear of being sued for doing their jobs lawfully. Police are held to a standard higher than any other profession. How much more tight, will the tight rope get, before the police fall off, and say the hell with this? Leave society to lawlessness, more shootings, situations like the CHAZ area in Seattle, where police were prevented from doing their jobs?

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At approximately 2:15pm yesterday North Haven officers responded to Home Depot on Universal Drive, as it was reported an individual from a nearby evading motor vehicle accident had parked their vehicle and entered Home Depot. A witness to the accident provided officers with a description of the vehicle and described its operator. The first arriving officer at Home Depot located an individual inside the store who matched the description provided by the witness. Upon approaching the suspect to detain him for further investigation, he pulled away from the officer and then actively fought with the officer, at one point placing him in a headlock, which our officer was quickly able to break free from. The suspect then attempted to flee the store, although the officer was able to grab the suspect from behind and prevent him from leaving. The officer took the suspect to the ground and was attempting to hold him until backup arrived, when several bystanders assisted the officer, who was still struggling with the suspect. During this time the suspect bit the arm of one of the bystanders assisting the officer. 43 year-old Hommy Lugo of New Haven, in addition to motor vehicle charges, was arrested for 53a-167c Assault On A Police Officer, 53a-61 Assault 3, 53a-167a Interfering With A Police Officer, 53a-48 / 53a-125b Criminal Attempt at Larceny 6, and 53a-181 Breach of Peace. Lugo, who shows over 20 prior arrests, was held on a \$100,000k bond.

We would like to thank the bystanders who assisted our officer in controlling the suspect. This speaks volumes about the North Haven Community.

**I ask the state legislature, why have prisons been closed, and allowing a dangerous person on the streets? Why?**

As far as the increased demands on towns and state for all the potential lawsuits as a result of this bill. I ask and want an answer on cost estimates for purchase and years of maintaining the digital storage equipment. I want cost estimates from the authors of this bill. Not I don't know. Makes you look stupid. What is the potential costs for the state and towns? I want an answer. Base this on costs of previous lawsuits against the state. I want to know how much taxes will go up for your partially uneducated demands.

Respectfully submitted,

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