My name is Malcolm Welfare, I am a resident of New Haven Connecticut. I am a CT certified teacher and work tirelessly on the preventative side of policing to ensure that my students and their families and the infinite range of interests and have a equitable chance at living full and health lives.

I am writing in support of the Police Accountability Bill as written.

There is a extreme need for article 41 measured in the blood of unarmed and yet still murdered citizens, under the care and watch of those supposedly there to render public safety services.

This need is further measured by the hundreds of thousands of lives disrupted by seeing that a fellow human being or family member has been murdered and betrayed by the very system we have been taught to trust. This will not sustain and cannot be let to stand. That is a stain on the records and legacy of all who could impact Legislative change in this matter l, such as yourselves.

Full and unaltered implementation of this bill will encourage trust and repair some of the damage that has been done to the community by showing that good cops have nothing to hide and that they are willing to come to the table and work with the community and not against it. Currently the community is seeking protections and safety and those who have been sworn to oath to provide that are refusing to provide that. It is my hope that the legislature of CT sees the opportunity they have to change the course of history from their seats. The vital opportunity to support human kind and give the people what they are screaming, crying, and dying for! Don't miss this opportunity! Don't go down in history being known as denying the people their freedom!

You have the chance to course correct 400 years of negative trend... Do the right thing! --Malcolm Welfare BS, MLT, MLS