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As a Connecticut resident I am questioning Governor's Lamont's prospered Police Reform Bill. I believe this bill will only limit our officers amount of authority even more. When these brave men and women choose to become officers, they are putting their lives on the line everyday for our safety and protection. In my opinion, if you do not break the law, officers will not pursue you, however, if an individual chooses to break the law, an officer should have the right to handle the situation, and do what keeps both themselves and our citizens safe. By adding another layer of overseers, such as a Citizens Review Board, will only cause more trouble. Our State Government should have no say in local police forces. These decisions should be left to our police chiefs to handle. There will always be that on bad cop, as there is always that one bad teacher, employee, priest, but a good cop hates nothing more than an bad cop, and I believe the good cops far out weigh the bad. After speaking to a few of Enfield's officers, it is my understanding that they are being continually trained for our changing times, as well as screened for mental health. As for diversity, you can not make someone choose law enforcement as a profession, however, if someone desires to become an officer, and has the proper qualifications, they should have an equal opportunity no matter their gender or race. In closing I just want to say that I am grateful everyday for the brave men and women who put their lives on the line each day to protect us. We should not be limiting their ability's to keep us safe, but instead stand with them. They should be afforded the same rights as the criminals they are arresting, innocent until proven guilty. Please, before signing this Police Reform Bill, think long and hard about this bill's repercussions. Our officers need our full support, for without their courage and bravery we will certainly become a State and Country of complete chaos.

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