

Attention Judiciary Committee,

I OPPOSE LCO #3471

This proposed bill is labeled as a police reform bill but it is anything but that. It is pro-criminal, anti-police, and I do not support it. If this bill passes, it will immediately put the people in our communities in danger and will likely cause many Police officers to leave the profession because ultimately it will put their lives in danger, too. Common sense indicates that we need law and order and we need to keep criminals in check. We don't need police officers to have to hesitate in dangerous situations such as an active shooter situation, a domestic violence incident, or a home invasion. Taking away qualified immunity will only hurt the people of CT because police officers will not want to put their lives or jobs at risk for fear of being sued. We would be giving more rights to criminals because the CT State Police only used force 0.02 percent in all interactions with the public last year. To put such restrictions on them with apprehending criminals is not realistic as they need to be able to safely defend themselves. We currently witness cities that have been "reformed or defunded" and the results have been disastrous. Please say NO to this proposed anti-police bill.

Thank you for your attention,

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