



CT169Strong

How to Testify at a Public Hearing

SUBMIT TESTIMONY TO STATE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES AND MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD

Visit our FB Page for most current talking points on specific bills or fact sheets on individual bills when available and for sample testimony content you may use, but try to use your own words and personal experience. Email info@ct169strong.org with any questions you may have for this process.

SUBMIT WRITTEN TESTIMONY so it may be filed as part of the bill's public record.

1. Put the testimony in either a Word document or PDF (not just the body of an email)
2. Include the bill numbers (for example HB5204, HB5429)
3. Include your name, and your town
4. Attach the document to an email
5. Put the bill number (see above) in the Subject Line of the email as well and whether you support or oppose

Email it to the committee holding the public hearing on a specific bill:

Planning & Development: pdtestimony@cga.ct.gov; Housing: hsgtestimony@cga.ct.gov or
Transportation: Tratestimony@cga.ct.gov

Suggestion for testimony:

- Introduction: Begin with "Honorable Committee Members" refer to Committee List for details of all committee members if you want to email a specific committee – for info, visit cga.ct.gov
- Introduce yourself, your town and any relevant background that you may have.
- Indicate right away you oppose bill(s) _____, and why.
- Offer suggestions to improve it. Then explain your reasoning.
- Use recent comments provided on CT169Strong Facebook Page regarding the bills.

(In your own words...pls make the point...) One size does not fit all and locally elected leaders and Planning and Zoning members are the most accountable to the residents of the municipality and can decide zoning issues in a manner that allows planned development without adverse impacts to the local infrastructure, the environment or historical preservation.

Closing with call to action:

Thank you very much for this opportunity to submit testimony. Please Vote NO on bill(s)_____.

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and how to testify**

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