



March 14th, 2018

Everyone,

**Because of the winter storm we had on Tuesday this week, the Public Hearing at the Legislative Office Building in Hartford for SB 435 has been re-scheduled to tomorrow, Thursday March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 10AM in Room 310.**

The Fire Marshals ask that we join them as they oppose a [SB-435](#) - AN ACT CONCERNING THE SALE AND USE OF CONSUMER GRADE FIREWORKS. You can submit written and oral testimony. If you would like to submit oral testimony, please contact me as soon as possible:

Written testimony needs to be in word or PDF format and emailed to [gltestimony@cga.ct.gov](mailto:gltestimony@cga.ct.gov). Testimony should clearly state testifier name and related Bills. The Committee requests that testimony be limited to matters related to the items on the Agenda. The first hour of the hearing is reserved for Legislators, Constitutional Officers, State Agency Heads and Chief Elected Municipal Officials. Speakers will be limited to three minutes of testimony.

[https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgbillstatus/cgbillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill\\_num=SB00435&which\\_year=2018](https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgbillstatus/cgbillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=SB00435&which_year=2018)

**Also, there will be a Public Hearing for [SB-419](#) - AN ACT INCREASING THE PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AND OTHER FIRST RESPONDERS. The hearing is scheduled for Friday, March 16, 2018 at 11:15 A.M. in Room 1A of the LOB.**

Please email written testimony in Word or PDF format to [PDtestimony@cga.ct.gov](mailto:PDtestimony@cga.ct.gov). Testimony should clearly state the testifier's name and related bills. The Committee requests that testimony be limited to matters related to items on the Agenda. The first hour will be reserved for Legislators, Constitutional Officers, State Agency Heads and Chief Elected Municipal Officials. Unofficial sign-up sheets have no standing with the Committee. All public hearing testimony,

written and spoken, is public information. As such, it will be made available on the CGA website and indexed by internet search engines.

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Please let me know as soon as possible if you would like to submit oral testimony for either of these bills this week.

Sincerely,

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