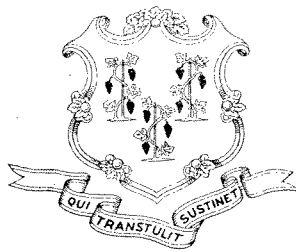


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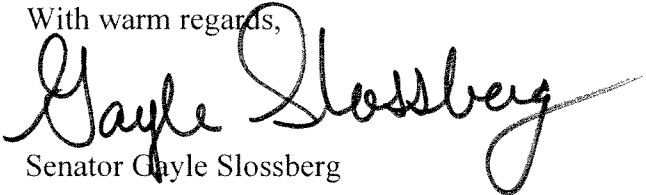
Dear Governor Rell:

I am writing today to urge your support of the state police lieutenants and captains in the Connecticut Department of Public Safety in their quest to exercise their right to collectively bargain.

As you know, state police lieutenants and captains voted unanimously to be represented by CSEA/SEIU Local 2001. In addition, in June a Superior Court Judge ruled that state police captains and lieutenants do have the right to form their own union. Attorney General Richard Blumenthal has also issued an opinion supporting their right to unionize. The state has already spent in excess of \$225,000 on legal fees and in this economic climate the state does not need to undergo a lengthy, expensive appeals process.

I urge you to respect the rights of the police captains and lieutenants as well as the opinions of Superior Court Judge Henry S. Cohn and Attorney General Richard Blumenthal. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

With warm regards,

  
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