

Sunwood Home Solutions, LLC

Housing Committee - Public Hearing Testimony

February 26, 2024

To: Chairpersons Senator Moore, Representative Khan, Ranking Members
Senator Sampson, Representative Scott and distinguished Members of the
Housing Committee

From: Robert Wiedenmann

Regarding: HB 5242: An Act Concerning the Collateral Consequences of Criminal
Records on Housing Opportunities (Oppose)

I am a home builder, remodeler, land developer, and landlord in central Connecticut. I am also the Chairman of the Home Builders and Remodelers Association of Central Connecticut's Multifamily Council.

HB 5242, if passed this bill will limit a landlord's ability to consider a felony conviction and make felons a protected class. It will subject responsible landlords to increased liabilities and place tenants in unreasonable danger. The protection of our tenants is of utmost importance to us and should be to you as well.

I respectfully ask that you oppose HB 5242.