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Sent: Friday, May 08, 2015 4:49 PM To: Representative Themis Klarides

Subject: New tax proposal

Hello,

My name is Christy Collins, I live in West Haven and work as a Veterinary Technician in New Haven. I am writing you to share my opposition to the proposal to impose sales taxes on veterinary services. Working in the veterinary field, I see first hand how many people struggle to afford proper veterinary care for their pets. Imposing a sales tax on veterinary services is not only morally wrong, but bad for public health. I have seen many people that struggle to afford even an annual exam and Rabies vaccine for their pets, let alone any further vaccinations or monthly parasite control. This sales tax would make it even harder for these people to afford such care. The majority of people see their pets as a part of the family. These companions deserve affordable, un-taxed, medical care just as people do. Please vote against this new tax and help both pet owners and our beloved pets to have a better quality of life.

Sincerely, Christy Collins 22 Milhaven Drive West Haven CT 06516