From: Leanora's Migliano [mailto:vortex047@aol.com]

Sent: Sunday, May 10, 2015 8:31 PM **To:** testimony@housegop.ct.gov **Subject:** Proposed state budget

We are Thomas & Leanora Migliano and have lived in Cos Cob, Conn. for over 40 years. I am 68 years old and my wife is 63.

We are planning on retiring in the next couple of years. But it is looking more and more that our retirement years are not going

to be spent in Connecticut unfortunately. Over the years when we filed our Conn. income tax, at the most we paid was, maybe

\$200- \$300 in income tax on April 15. But particularly over the past 3 or 4 years when the new administration moved in, we are

now paying over \$2000 in income tax. The disgraceful part is that our salaries have hardly moved over this period and

yet they keep accelerating. Every year we keep raising the Connecticut withholding on our paychecks and yet we continue to owe.

One thing the current administration knows how to do well is raise taxes, particularly as reflects in the City of Stamford tax history.

Raising taxes is easy, don't need much effort. Lowering taxes and spending is hard. Too much effort to do so.

Please stop the bleeding. How much more can we give. We are tired. The more people you drive out, the more the state

will continue to decline. Is this what you want?

The state was a wonderful place to live, but not anymore.

Thank you for your consideration.

Thomas & Leanora Migliano 10 Pond Pl. Cos Cob, CT 06807