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Dear CT state Senators and CT State Representatives of the public health committee,

Thank you for taking the time to read this message.

Please strongly consider re-including the tattoo technician language in:
House bill 6666- an act concerning the department of public healths
recommendations regarding various revisions to the public health statutes.
before being voted out of the committee.

I believe just like in other professions tattooers need to be able to have a voice in theirs. I have seen a lot of so called "tattoo schools" out there charging people thousands of dollars for a apprenticeship while the teachers of these "schools" are barely qualified apprentices themselves. i think we could all agree that a mentor should have at least a minimum of 4-5 years experience as a professional tattooer. For example, I am a plumber by trade, I need to have 4 years of plumbing experience to be able to take on just 1 apprentice. The tattoo industry has been self regulated for many years, since its existence, and they have done in my opinion a wonderful job. So please consider reviving this bill and let the professionals have a say in their craft.

Thank you!

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