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**HB 6438 An Act Making Deficiency Appropriations for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2021**

Good afternoon Senator Osten, Representative Walker, Senator Miner, Representative France and members of the Appropriations Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on HB 6438 An Act Making Deficiency Appropriations for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2021. While my office is not receiving an appropriation through this bill, I did want to go on record with my understanding of the bill's intent regarding limitations placed on the University of Connecticut Health Center's \$50 million appropriation for operating expenses.

After conversations with the Office of Policy and Management concerning Section 3 of the bill, we are in agreement that my office will not offer fringe benefit support for the \$50 million dollar appropriation to the University of Connecticut Health Center, as is typical with other General Fund appropriations.

Thank you for your time and should there be any questions about this interpretation of HB 6438, please reach out to my office.