

To whom it may concern,

I am opposed to any bill to defund or further limit the ability of the police to do their jobs effectively in our state. The liberal lunatics around the country are trying to defund and get rid of our police forces. Mark my words, any action to take away our police will only further jeopardize the safety and security of the citizens of this state and of the United States.

Citizens will be left to fend for themselves and citizens will have no choice, but to act as vigilantes to protect themselves and to protect their property. All you have to do is look at cities like Portland, Seattle, Chicago. Do you want the violence and mayhem occurring in those areas to come to this state? Are you willing to be held accountable for putting the citizen's of this state's lives in jeopardy? Our safety and security lie in the ability of the police officers to do their jobs.

I am beginning to feel that all logic and reason has left the minds of the democratic majority in this state and in our country. Legislation is being passed solely on the basis of emotional appeal.

They are defunding the police in New York City and people are leaving that place in large numbers. You will have a mass exodus of people leaving this state if bills such as this pass. Again, I remind you that the police forces are the front line of law and order and if you get rid

of them then you get rid of law and order and anarchy will rule.

In most every case of police involved shootings, the suspect is not cooperating or a danger to the officer or others. Criminals do not cooperate with police on a regular basis, so I support the officers' decisions to take action and put the violent offenders down.

As law makers, you must make the seemingly unpopular decision amongst the liberal side of the aisle and do what is right for our cities, streets and neighborhoods. Give the police the tools they need to keep law and order. The people of Connecticut will thank you in the long run.

We are all depending on you to do what is right.

Warmest regards,  
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Disciple of Jesus Christ