



**TESTIMONY
OF THE
CONNECTICUT HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION
PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE**

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**SB 99, An Act Establishing A Spinal Cord Injury Research Board And Spinal Cord
Injury Research Account**

The Connecticut Hospital Association (CHA) appreciates the opportunity to testify in support of **SB 99, An Act Establishing A Spinal Cord Injury Research Board And Spinal Cord Injury Research Account**, a bill that establishes a Spinal Cord Injury Research Board and Spinal Cord Injury Account. The Spinal Cord Injury Research Board would research, review and solicit from certain entities funding to cooperatively conduct spinal cord injury research in Connecticut and build awareness for the need for such research.

CHA supports SB 99 and the goal of increasing spinal cord injury research and awareness within the state. This is an important public health initiative that will improve the well being of patients and quality of care in Connecticut.

Thank you for your consideration.