



Making Great Communities Happen
**Connecticut Chapter of the
American Planning Association**

**Testimony regarding S.B. No. 819 (RAISED)
AN ACT RAISING THE ANNUAL CAP ON TAX CREDITS FOR THE REHABILITATION OF
CERTIFIED HISTORIC STRUCTURES.**

CCAPA supports this bill. The use of historic tax credits to contribute to the successful rehabilitation of many of Connecticut's most beautiful historic structures, and has been a proven success. The current cap of \$31.7 million has been quickly oversubscribed, leaving behind a long waiting list of projects. While these properties await their turn for tax credits to enable restoration and redevelopment, they run the risk of deterioration, which creates a drag on local economies, community character, and potentially the environment. Increasing the cap to \$60 million will go a long way to allowing more of our historic structures, and more of our communities to benefit from revitalization.

WHO WE ARE

The Connecticut Chapter of the American Planning Association (CCAPA) has over 420 members who are governmental and consulting planners, land use attorneys, citizen planners, and other professionals engaged in planning and managing land use, economic development, housing, transportation, and conservation for local, regional, and State governments, private businesses and other entities. CCAPA has long been committed to assisting the legislature and State agencies with developing and furthering responsible growth management principles. The American Planning Association is an independent, not-for-profit, national educational organization that provides leadership in the development of vital communities.

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