



Dannel P. Malloy

GOVERNOR
STATE OF CONNECTICUT

June 10, 2013

The Honorable Denise Merrill
Secretary of the State
30 Trinity Street
Hartford, CT 06106

Dear Madam Secretary:

I hereby return, without my signature, House Bill 5908, *An Act Concerning Safety and Certification Standards for the Spray Foam Insulation Industry*.

While I share the concerns that have been expressed by the supporters of this bill, I am concerned that the bill provides insufficient guidance as to the scope or objectives of the required regulations. Accordingly, I believe that signing this bill into law would result in unnecessary expense to the state and would impose an undue burden on three state agencies, none of which possesses expertise in the spray foam insulation industry. Finally, I note that Public Act 13-43, signed into law on May 28, 2013, establishes a detailed certification requirement for certain types of spray foam insulation.

I agree with the testimony submitted by the Department of Public Health, which stated that, rather than require Connecticut to develop additional standards for the spray foam insulation industry through regulation, a more practical approach would be to encourage those installing spray foam insulation to obtain training, credentialing or certification under programs such as have been developed, on a national basis, by the American Chemistry Council's Center for the Polyurethane Industry and the Spray Polyurethane Foam Alliance, in consultation with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

I disapprove of House Bill 5908, *An Act Concerning Safety and Certification Standards for the Spray Foam Insulation Industry*. Pursuant to Section 15 of Article Fourth of the Constitution of the State of Connecticut, I return it without my signature.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Dannel P. Malloy".

Dannel P. Malloy
Governor