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Re: Testimony of CT D.O.C. Conditions
Attention: Correction Advisory Committee

Joint Committee on Judiciary

Legislative Office Building Room 2500

Hartford; CT 06106

This is an official statement & testimony of jail & prison conditions currently experienced as an inmate housed at New Haven Correctional Center & MacDougall Correctional Institute. Respectfully, I personally witnessed very unsafe & unsanitary living conditions at both facilities; infested with mice that are known to carry germs, disease & pesticides. CT Department of Corrections should contract extermination services that at minimum visit every facility monthly & implement a plan to eradicate all pests & bugs from these facilities. Lastly, but most importantly while housed at NHCC I witnessed an inmate suicide & countless other inmates placed in "suicide watch"; put into padded jumpsuits left in freezing cold cells forced to figure out their anxiety, depression & suicidal ideations in isolation without daily visits from mental health staff. In my humble opinion, a "suicide prevention" program run by inmates in collaboration with outside mental health specialists should exist to help children inmates struggling in silence that don't want to be placed in "suicide watch", but are struggling with mental health issues.

Respectfully SUBMITTED;

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