

# PROPERTY OWNERS LETTER

[Rep./Senator] XYZ

Senate Republican Office  
LOB Room 3400  
Hartford CT, 06106

[Your Name]

[Your Address]  
[Town, CT XXXXXX]

{Above is an example. If a Democrat or Representative, address must be changed, go to the following website for addresses and to locate your Senator or Rep., [www.cga.ct.gov](http://www.cga.ct.gov)}

Dear [ Rep./Senator] XYZ,

As your constituent and a property owner in the Town of XXXXXX, I urge you to **OPPOSE S.B. 994**, a bill to prohibit the use of body-gripping and live-hold foot traps. Connecticut already has some of the most restrictive laws governing trapping and the use of these devices. When used legally and properly, they have proven to be safe, humane and effective.

[ This is meant to be a template, you/property owner should insert some of their own comments and feelings on the issue, "form letters" are discarded ]

This bill was inspired by emotion and myth fueled by animal activists, who offer no viable alternatives. Both of these wildlife management tools are supported by the following professional agencies who believe in sound scientific findings that they are humane and effective:

Dept. of Environmental Protection

USDA – Wildlife Services

Association of Fish & Wildlife Agencies

CT Farm Bureau

I, personally have benefited from the use of these tools on my property and do not wish to have my rights as a landowner, to protect my property removed . With the ever-increasing human-wildlife conflicts that are occurring in our State, especially with beaver and coyote it is unimaginable to me why our legislature would consider eliminating these valuable tools.

I hope I can count on you to protect my rights as a property owner, and **OPPOSE** S.B. 994. I look forward to hearing from you !

Thank you.

Respectfully,

[Your Name]

[Your Address]