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**To:** Governor.Rell@ct.gov  
**Cc:** Tan, Alan C. (HCDSM - Holdings Co President Ofc)  
**Subject:** Please Support H.B. 5321

Hi Governor Rell,

As a lifelong resident of Rocky Hill, Connecticut and President of the Asian American Student Body at the University of Connecticut, I'd like to take this opportunity to request that you please approve and sign House Bill 5321 for the creation of the Asian Pacific American Commission, which was approved by both the House and Senate. The Asian American community is the fastest growing community in Connecticut, and as such, present challenges that could be more easily dealt with by this commission such as civil rights, health care, and economic issues. This community struggles with issues that will more surface as the community continues to grow in this state, as this community is perceived as the "Model Minority" whom people perceive that nothing needs to be done for. This is really not true, and I really feel such a commission will make a difference in encouraging all people of the State of Connecticut to better understand the unique cultures and needs of the Asian Pacific American population of Connecticut.

With that said, I'd like to thank you for your time and I really hope that you will decide to sign this bill into law.

Sincerely yours,

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and the Asian American Student Body

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