

Sample Script for Phone Call to Legislator:

I'm calling to urge you to support a ban on chlorpyrifos, a toxic pesticide known to cause brain damage in children. Hawaii, California and New York have all taken action. We need Connecticut legislators to take action to protect their constituents now.

Chlorpyrifos is so dangerous that, after years of study, the U.S. EPA recommended a complete ban because there are no safe levels of this pesticide. Child exposure to chlorpyrifos is associated with reduced IQ, loss of working memory, attention deficit disorders and delayed motor development. There are effective alternatives that won't poison our children.

As your constituent, I urge you to take action on this issue by supporting a ban. Please reach out to the leadership of the Environment Committee to express your support of a ban on this chemical and your willingness to cosponsor a bill when introduced.

Thank you very much for your support.