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### DelGobbo Disappointed at “Three Strikes” Rejection



State Rep. Kevin M. DelGobbo, R-70<sup>th</sup> District, Naugatuck, expressed disappointment at the rejection of a proposed Three Strikes bill for violent repeat criminals that surviving members of the Cheshire family called for in the wake of last year’s triple murder.

Rep. DelGobbo said, “It just boggles the mind that the legislative majority has once again rejected efforts to implement a real Three Strikes law for violent offenders.”

The legislature’s Judiciary Committee voted 25-16 against provisions to impose mandatory life sentences for criminals convicted three times of violent crimes such as murder, rape or assault. All Republicans on the committee voted for the Three Strikes bill.

“It is disappointing that legislators have refused to heed the pleas of the family who have repeatedly called for mandatory life sentences for dangerous, repeat criminals,” Rep. DelGobbo said. “We will continue to work to achieve our goals of making Connecticut streets and homes safer from those who continually show disregard for the public’s safety.”

Members of the Petit family have stated publicly they want tough mandatory sanctions for those convicted three times and charged as persistent felons.

Rep. DelGobbo said he hoped that the full House and Senate will be take up the legislation later this spring for debate and vote by the full House and Senate.

Rep. DelGobbo serves the 70<sup>th</sup> Assembly District of Naugatuck in the state House of Representatives.