



TESTIMONY

of the

CONNECTICUT CONFERENCE OF MUNICIPALITIES

to the

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

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The Connecticut Conference of Municipalities appreciates the opportunity to testify on the following bill of interest to towns and cities:

R.B. 452, "An Act Concerning Notification of Municipalities of Proposed Designation of Structures on the State National Historic Register"

CCM supports this bill.

This is a simple, sound bill that would require that municipalities in which properties are located be notified when an application is made for an historic designation. The bill would also require that a public hearing on applications be heard in the community, upon the request of the chief elected official.

This proposal would ensure that chief elected officials are made aware of historic district applications and that persons living in the community can participate in hearings on issues affecting their community.

CCM urges the Committee to support this bill.

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