

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter to voice my support for the protection of municipalities from lawsuits due to the loophole in liability laws. I am a Connecticut native and current Manchester, CT resident who enjoys the outdoors, and think that the loss of access to any open spaces and/or municipalities would be devastating to our state. My wife and I have learned so much about life since the birth of our daughter 15 months ago, and have as a family developed a passion for the enjoyment of the outdoors. In a world that has become so revolved around the computer screen, the use of the Connecticut trail system has the power to keep one healthy in mind and body. I would like my daughter to continue to enjoy the beauty of our state, and it would be a shame if this enjoyment were restricted due to laws that unfairly target, (or leave vulnerable due to legal loopholes), our municipalities. The fact that these properties are not protected in the same way as state, private, and corporate owned properties is wrong, and this wrong needs to be righted. Please pass S.B. 831 and keep Municipal properties and open spaces accessible to the public.

Sincerely,
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