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Government Administration & Elections Committee Clerk
Legislative Office Building
Hartford, CT

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing in support of Raised Bill 426, An Act Concerning Geographic Information Systems Data Sharing. As the Fire Chief of the Wilton Fire Department and the Emergency Management Director for the Town of Wilton, it is my professional opinion that the requirement for electric companies to provide this simple GIS data of their infrastructure to the municipalities would prove immensely helpful during all phases of storm and disaster response and recovery efforts.

The simple ability to put on a map the location of all reported wires down and road blockages caused by wires and tress down certainly gives emergency response planners and responders a much clearer picture of the scope and possible impact of these emergency conditions in real time. I can say that that the inability of the Towns to quickly identify these locations and have that information immediately available to first responders caused delays in response and service delivery of all emergency services during the last major storm response periods.

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