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Sent: Tuesday, February 21, 2012 6:52 PM

To: Blancato, Allison

Subject: Concerning opposition to Bill 5155 AN ACT MODIFYING THE BAN ON PESTICIDE APPLICATIONS ON SCHOOL GROUNDS.

Dear Allison,

Please register my opinion on **Bill 5155 An Act Modifying the Ban on Pesticide Applications on School Grounds** at the state house tomorrow. 2/22/12.

I am emphatically against modifying the ban on pesticides. The ban should continue.

To modify this practice would be to pretend that poisons are sometimes acceptable. They are NOT! Pesticides are harmful and kill life on earth. They pollute Long Island Sound. Even though they are meant for insects, their effect on other organisms, the environment and most importantly, our children is unproven.

We cannot take this risk. We must take responsibility for our local environments, our ecosystems and our life on this planet and discontinue poison toxin applications, especially on school grounds!!! We must act to ban pesticide use not only on school property, but everywhere.

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