

Members of the Children Committee,

I encourage you to support SB 981 to prohibit pesticide usage on CT high school grounds. The other public testimony submitted in support of this bill eloquently describes the scientific and medical links between these toxic pesticides and birth defects, neurotoxicity, abnormal brain development, cancer and behavioral disorders.

Why would we want to expose our children to this known risk? Other states and some municipalities in CT have changed methods and affordably maintain beautiful playing fields without the use of toxic chemicals. This is a win for our children, those maintaining the grounds and the community.

Respectfully,
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