



# CCM 2013 Testimony

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### **S.B. 694, "An Act Concerning Alternate Members of Zoning Board of Appeals"**

SB 694 would "allow greater participation by alternate members" of Zoning Board of Appeals boards.

CCM is not aware of any significant problems with the current system that would necessitate this proposal. We are not sure why zoning boards of appeals are singled out, versus Zoning, Wetlands, and Planning commissions.

The proposal is unclear as to what kind of participation is to occur and under what circumstances.

CCM urges the Committee to study the implications of the State's further involvement into the proceedings of such boards.

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