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Environment Committee LOB  
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Dear Legistator,

In the summer of 2006, my neighbor was crouched down planting something as I walked by her property. It was on the property line between her lot and that of a neighbor she was in a dispute with over a zoning issue. When I stopped by to chat and ask what she was doing, she replied she was planting bamboo in retaliation for the neighbor's opposition to her plans to build on her property. She told me it would fix him and take away his view in the future.

The property belonging to the neighbor, whose view she was trying to block, has since been sold and a new neighbor has rebuilt on the lot. Since then I've witnessed the bamboo planter guarding and cultivating the bamboo because she does not get along with the new neighbor either.

Today that same bamboo is sending off shoots that are popping up all over the yard of the new neighbor. They are heading toward my house, a lot away, and I have absolutely no recourse to stop the damage they are soon to cause. Therefore, I am writing to ask that my Connecticut legislature vote to pass S.B. 1016 and that it include that the bamboo grower must pay for bamboo removal and any damages caused on a yearly basis for each year the bamboo invades my property. Because bamboo invades again each year stronger than the previous year, and the damages are continual each year, please pass the bill and help me put an end to the use of bamboo as a weapon for one neighbor to use against another.

Sincerely,

Carey Moran