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Dear Environment Committee:

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**S.B.1016 AN ACT REGULATING THE PLANTING AND SALE OF RUNNING BAMBOO**

I fear my property will soon be invaded by yellow groove bamboo.

My neighbor has a very large stand of yellow groove bamboo which has already escaped under his fence out to the roadside and to the curb and surrounding areas. It will soon invade my side property and my driveway first. This is a very large mature stand of yellow groove bamboo with very thick and destructive rhizomes underground. I will not be able to deal with the continual damages to my property in my retirement.

Even if this were just happening to "one person" in Connecticut, it still would be wrong. To continually invade and destroy another person's land is wrong.

Yellow groove bamboo invades stronger each year. The damages are continual.

I support the intent of this bill, but to include that the person growing the bamboo is liable for bamboo removal and damages "each year" the bamboo invades.

Sincerely,

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