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Re: S.B. 1016 An act regulating the planting  
and sale of running bamboo

Good morning Senators. I would first like to  
thank you for the opportunity to address  
you regarding the effects of invasive  
running bamboo. I have some pictures I  
would like to share with you regarding my  
personnel situation. In our back yard we  
have a small pond that drains Storm Water  
from our

neighbors properties, and connects to a  
Town storm Drain. The 15  
inch drainage pipe you see in the picture  
was installed as the result of a Superior  
Court decision, and the approval of the  
Department of Energy and Environmental  
Protection. As you can see the yellow  
Bamboo is directly adjacent to this pond  
and because of its rapid growth will in a  
very short period of time compromise the  
integrity of the drainage pipe, resulting

in flooding not only of our property but that of many neighbors as well. If you look at the picture showing several Arbor Vitae trees you can see how quickly the bamboo has grown, that was planted about 2 years prior to the ones near our pond. We would respectfully request that this legislation include provisions that would require the grower of the bamboo be responsible for the costs of removal of any bamboo that invades adjacent property on a continual

and annual basis, and that they be required to take measures to contain its growth to their own property. I again thank you for your attention and considerations this morning.

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*In time this could be us*



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