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Dear Environment Committee:

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**S.B. 72 AN ACT CONCERNING LIABILITY FOR THE GROWING
OF RUNNING BAMBOO**

I support the intent of this bill, but ask that it include:
Declaring running bamboo a nuisance with a 40 foot setback on existing bamboo, which is a Buffer Zone where bamboo growth cannot exist including rhizomes.

I fear my property will soon be invaded by yellow groove bamboo, as my neighbor has since allowed it to continue to invade underground further since 2013. In May the bamboo spikes were shooting everywhere along the road and curb.

My neighbor has a very large stand of yellow groove bamboo which has fully escaped under his fence out to the roadside and to the curb and surrounding areas. It will very soon invade my side property reaching my driveway first unless S. B. 72 **include a Buffer Zone** where bamboo growth cannot exist. 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. To have to "Wait until it happens is insane"! I am worried as I am getting older and letting it go is not the way to go !

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

Sincerely,

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