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To: Appropriations Committee
Re: Regional Fire Schools Funding

Dear Sirs/Madams,

I am writing to House Bill #6824, "the budget bill". In particular, I am in opposition of the plan to defund/unfund the operating budgets for the Regional Fire Training Schools.

Please consider restoring the operating fund budget that was deleted in Governor Malloy's proposed budget. Deleting these funds would cause an exorbitant increase in tuition and fees that will be passed onto our towns, cities and Fire Departments. The utility and required maintenance costs for these facilities will be passed on as well.

Danbury Fire is a 240 person combination department that fully supports the mission and excellent instruction provided by the Regional Schools.

Sincerely,

Mark Omasta