

A proposal has been made to cut state funding for local libraries. Such a cut saves the state an infinitesimally small amount of money and costs taxpayers a huge amount in an important and uncalculated service.

We, and our public school students, use our library and its connection to all other public libraries in CT for research, for education, for entertainment from books, movies, CDs, computer services, and uncounted other ways.

Right now, our libraries are a significant plus factor in reasons for living in CT. Reducing library effectiveness can cause nothing but damage in efforts to make our state and towns attractive to would-be residents. Reducing that attractiveness could only cost taxpayers far more than it could save.

Supporting our library system must be a priority.

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