

**Middlesex County Chamber of Commerce  
Legislative Committee**

Energy and Technology Committee  
Legislative Office Building, Room 3900  
Hartford, CT 06106

**Testimony on SB 572 An Act Concerning Gigabit Access**

Members of the Energy and Technology Committee:

The Middlesex County Chamber of Commerce is submitting testimony today to express concern with SB 572, An Act Concerning Gigabit Access.

Connecticut is now recognized as a world leader in broadband and the state should continue to maintain the existing policies that have been successful in this area. These policies have allowed broadband to become a growth industry for Connecticut and a competitive marketplace for broadband services to flourish in our state. Businesses in Middlesex County have a competitive advantage in this global economy because of the world class broadband infrastructure, including gigabit services from Comcast, which exists in our region.

The Middlesex Chamber is a dynamic business organization with over 2,350 members that employ over 50,000 people. We have always been supportive of infrastructure development in all areas. We believe however that the private sector is in the best position to lead on this particular issue.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on this important matter.