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RE: SB 946, An Act Concerning Revenue Items to Implement the Governor's Budget

I am John E. Hibbard. I reside at 1072 Gilead Street, Hebron, Connecticut and I am submitting the following testimony on SB 946, An Act Concerning Revenue Items to Implement the Governor's Budget on my own behalf.

I wish to go on record in opposition to Section 29 of the proposed bill which sweeps all funds from the Community Investment Act for the period from January 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. Such a sweep will imperil programs supported by CIA which include Farmland Preservation, Open Space, Historic Preservation and Affordable Housing.

I urge the Committee to reject the concept of the Sweep of the funds supported by CSA. This will allow continued support of the intended purpose and integrity of the Community Investment Act which has been very effective since its enactment in 2005.

I appreciate the opportunity to present my views on SB 946, Section 29.