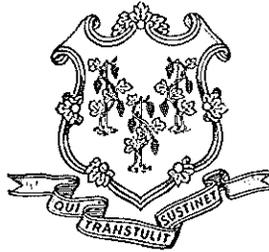


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In **SUPPORT** of Raised House Bill 6998
An Act Concerning the Conveyance of Certain Parcels of State Land

Chairman Cassano, Chairman Jutila, and distinguished members of the Government Administration and Elections Committee, thank you for hearing House Bill 6998. I am here to testify in **support** of **House Bill 6998**, *An Act Concerning the Conveyance of Certain Parcels of State Land*.

In particular, I want to thank the leadership of the committee for including, in Section 14 of the bill, a conveyance request on behalf of Rawson Materials. Said conveyance will allow this small business to construct a gravel driveway, which will allow this business to expand operations.

Senator Andrew Maynard and I also want to express support for Section 15 of this bill, which would grant a conveyance of land to Basely Road Materials, LLC. Like Rawson, this conveyance will allow Basely, a small, family-owned business, to access a gravel pit located in the towns of Plainfield and Killingly in order to further expand their business. It is my understanding that this conveyance will allow Basely to maintain 15 jobs and add several more.

I believe that both conveyances are critically needed in order to aid these small businesses with several economic development opportunities in Eastern Connecticut.

Thank you again for the opportunity to testify in support of House Bill 6998.