

To whom it may concern,

I am currently a resident of Stamford, CT, however I work in Westchester County, NY. The proposed House Bill 6818 would effect me directly and I am definitely against toll placement on I95 and Merritt Parkway boarders. I am against it for two main reasons. Although I work in NY, CT is where I chose to live for the past 12 years. I enjoy living in Stamford, with its restaurants, parks, shopping and outdoor spaces. CT is also where I spend my money. As you know salaries are not rising at the same rate expenses are. The proposed tolls would definitely hurt me economically. If the bill gets passed I will be seriously considering needing to relocate to White Plains, NY. The rental rates and comparable to that of Stamford. I am sure I am not the only person who would be considering such a move. I have not heard yet what CT legislators are considering for the tolls but for example if the tolls were \$2 each way that would be over \$1000 per year, half a months rent. For someone on a strict budget that is a lot of money. In addition, traffic on I95 on the best of days is challenging. In the summer on the Thursday and Friday evening commute home a 20 minute commute can take over an hour or two. Tolls I feel will make this matter worse. I have experienced in NY and NJ congestion at tolls. If NY and NJ haven't found a way to avoid congestion at there toll plaza's there is little possibility CT would be able to as well.

I appreciate my voice being heard.

Sincerely

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