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**Testimony in Support of  
S.B. No. 318, 'An Act Concerning Private School Transportation'**

Before the Education Committee

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As a parent of a student at Greenwich Catholic School, I support S.B. No. 318.

Greenwich Catholic School has been an excellent school choice for our family. It is the only Catholic School option in Greenwich, and it is academically and in all other ways, an excellent school for ours and many other families.

Though our family does not use public transportation, many of our friends do and it is critical to their ability to attend Greenwich Catholic School.

We strongly support Catholic School education and think it is vital that it is available to anyone who wants it, regardless of where they live. It is imperative to the long-term viability of Catholic education to make it available to as many families as possible so that enrollment can be maintained. Many Catholic schools have already closed due to shrinking enrollment, so making transportation available is a crucial part of maintaining the minimum enrollment requirements.

For these reasons, I urge the committee to support S.B. No. 318.

Sincerely,

Susan Condon