

I'm writing in support of *SB 425, An Act Concerning Municipal Transparency, Efficiency, and Accountability*, is extremely important step in ensuring the growth of Connecticut as a thriving and more open democracy. Connecticut benefits greatly from home-grown platforms like SeeClickFix, which allows governments to not only track non-emergency issues, but also gives communities direct digital access to their government representatives. Connecticut municipalities must continue to lead in this area, and do so with the full support of the Connecticut General Assembly. Through cooperation at the local and state levels, residents and public servants will be able to better approach the challenges of our rapidly-changing lives. Civic engagement through a more open and transparent process, something enabled by SeeClickFix, is crucial for Connecticut to face climate change, to grow technologically, to welcome diversity, and to lower the barriers of citizen access to government.

Thank you for your time,
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