

Dear Members of the Public Health Committee,

I am writing in regard to SB 300. It is too soon to consider passing such a bill. The legislature should wait until it has all the facts before considering a matter of such consequence to the health and wellbeing of Connecticut residents. Specifically, the state water plan being prepared by the Water Planning Council with input from a variety of stakeholders would provide information crucial to any decision affecting the availability of high quality drinking water.

Furthermore, I find it deplorable that a proposal that could have a drastic impact on such a large area of pristine Connecticut forestland should even be considered without first commissioning an environmental impact study. Trap rock ridges like Bradley Mountain are the last remaining unspoiled habitat for a variety of rare and endangered species that cannot survive elsewhere. This plant and animal wildlife is of immeasurable value to the citizens of Connecticut and is irreplaceable.

I urge you to stop SB 300.

Sincerely,

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