

Good afternoon legislators,

I write to express the Chamber of Commerce of Eastern Connecticut's opposition to Senate Bill 331. While the chamber is very supportive of your efforts to provide infrastructure support to enhance the state's economic development efforts, allocating scarce dollars for this effort is simply not necessary. Funding a program as outlined in Senate Bill 331 is not a priority for the business community.

However, what Connecticut doesn't have, and is in great need of, is a modern transportation infrastructure. Surely you would agree that that's where the state should be committing its limited dollars to, rather than competing with the private sector, especially when independent sources verify that Connecticut already has one of the fastest broadband services in the country. On behalf of our Board of Directors and our Legislative Affairs council please do not support Senate Bill 331.

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