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Subj: My support for Constitutional Amendment to Better Protect Public Lands (S.J. 36)

Thank you for holding hearings on a proposed Constitutional Amendment to Better Protect Public Lands, namely S.J. 36. There is a recurring risk of abuse in how the state sells, trades and gives away public lands. **I support this Amendment** that seeks to improve the conveyance of public lands in a more open and transparent manner. I believe that a Constitutional Amendment is necessary to better protect public lands. I understand that at a March 9, 2016 press conference in Hartford, this amendment had **bi-partisan support**.

I am a Connecticut voter. I trust that your hearings will come up with minor improvements to this proposed Amendment that will allow it to move forward.

Regards,
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