

HB 6329 - AN ACT CONCERNING HYDRAULIC FRACTURING WASTE IN CONNECTICUT"

Dear Committee Members,

I support Bill HB 6329 for a total ban on the disposal or use of hydraulic fracturing waste in Connecticut, either in its liquid or solid forms, and also ask that the language to be amended to include all waste from both oil & gas drilling and extraction. It has been increasingly evident that there are serious toxic and radioactive elements present in this waste. While the State of Pennsylvania continues to allow more drilling, there will be increased pressure for surrounding states to bear the burden of waste disposal. It comes in the form of requests for use of water treatment plants, and as additives for road enhancement and even in fertilizer for the growing of crops! Better to be proactive and not allow potentially dangerous spills and exposures to affect any of our citizens or our environment. The argument may be made that our State should bear some of this burden since petrochemicals are so much a part of our lives, but this is specious as most of the fracked product Pennsylvania produces goes for export. I ask that Connecticut take the high road in this matter and ban ALL waste from fracking oil and gas in whatever way it is offered.

Sincerely,

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