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RE: HB 6329 – An Act Concerning Hydraulic

Fracturing Waste in Connecticut

Hydraulic fracturing and all oil and gas drilling and extractions wastes must be banned in the State of Connecticut. The toxins and radioactivity in these wastes cause multiple types of cancer, birth defects, developmental problems, neurological and multiple organ damage. With the state deficit and town budget problems, we cannot risk exposing ourselves to remediation costs in the event of spills, leaks or run-offs. It is demonstrable fact that spills, leaks and run-offs have permanently poisoned aquifers, surface waters and property in other states. We cannot risk such an occurrence in Connecticut.

A permanent ban is needed, as regulations won't stop spills and leaks. Regulations won't prevent inadequate testing, treatment or enforcement, resulting in potential radioactive and chemical contamination in Connecticut. This is an issue of citizen health and environmental protection for our children.



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