

THE CONNECTICUT GENERAL ASSEMBLY – ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE PUBLIC
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HB 6329 An Act Concerning Hydraulic Fracturing Waste in Connecticut

If you care about yourself, your children, your family, friends and neighbors you must ban hydraulic fracturing and all oil and gas drilling and extraction wastes. And it must be permanent.

The toxins and radioactivity in these wastes cause many diseases which can take years, in some cases, to progress and become evident. With the unborn and young the risk of exposure to these chemicals and radiation and the incidence of related sickness, illness and death are EVEN greater and more pronounced. THE OVERALL COST IN HEALTH CARE AND SUFFERING IS ENORMOUS. With the state deficit and town budget problems, we cannot risk exposing ourselves to remediation costs, even if possible.

The list of diseases created by the use of these chemicals and radioactive waste include multiple types of cancer, birth defects, developmental problems, neurological and multiple organ damage.

Spills, leaks and run-off have permanently poisoned aquifers, surface waters and property in other states. Some counties in New York have protected themselves from imported extraction waste and so should Connecticut. It is most important that a **PERMANENT BAN BE ISSUED, 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.**

WE know that everyone cares for their family and friends. This is an issue that is easy to understand and do something about.

I urge that this bill be approved and that hydraulic fracturing and all oil and gas drilling and extraction wastes be banned permanently.

Respectfully submitted by Rosemary Senyk a resident of Columbia Connecticut.