

HB 6329 AN ACT CONCERNING HYDRAULIC FRACTURING WASTE IN CONNECTICUT

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To Chairs Senator Kennedy, Senator Miner, Representative Demicco and members of the committee:

I urge you to support and pass HB 6329 to protect the health and wellbeing of Connecticut residents and our environment. As a nurse I am very concerned due to what we already know about exposure to fracking waste materials. It has been linked to multiple types of cancer, birth defects, developmental problems, neurological and multiple organ damage. We have watched on the news and read too many testimonials and stories of citizens from other states pleading for help due to exposure to fracking waste and drilling. Their property values have plummeted, livestock have died off, they cannot drink or use their public water, their children have developed rashes, breathing problems and cancer. Their way of life and they know has been destroyed. They are in a state of public health emergency. Connecticut has protected our state thus far but needs to permanently take a stand to continue to work in the best interests of its citizens by protecting people over profits. No risk to public health on this level is worth it. Thank you.