

Dear Representatives,

I am writing specifically to ask you to support SB 630 which will require utilities to increase the amount of energy from renewable resources, and to oppose SB106.

Overall I am asking you to work towards bringing Connecticut onto 100% renewable energy as soon as possible. Renewable energy like solar and wind technology exists, it works, and it produces jobs. If we have the will, we can be 100% renewable within a handful of years. Fossil fuels are killing our environment and our communities slowly, and nuclear power is a disaster waiting to happen, as the recent events at Fukushima have shown us. Renewable is the ONLY way forward and we need to do all we can to promote it. And its not even a question of money vs. the environment, because renewable technologies bring good paying manufacturing and installation jobs, which will increase tax revenue. Its a winning proposition on all sides.

I am a Connecticut resident, an educator and a mother. As such, I believe that we all have a responsibility to future generations, that we invest public funds in a future in which our children will have clean air, clean water and clean soil. I vote based on environmental issues and I am willing to pay more taxes if it protects our environment. Putting public tax money into fossil and nuclear fuels is irresponsible. We need to invest our tax money in an infrastructure based on the technologies of the future. I ask that you remember the consequences your actions will have on future generations. You have a massive responsibility. Our children's air and water is in your hands.

Thank you
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