

Senator Steinberg, Senator Gerratana, Representative Somers and members of the committee:

I urge you to support HB 7221 to provide greater access to information about water supplies in the state of CT. In Litchfield County we has a significant drought last summer that drew down the lakes and streams to levels not seen in at least 50 years, if not longer. While I perfectly understand the need for some information to be kept safe from those who would do us harm, we also need to balance protection from one source of potential harm with providing information that could help the state fend off the worst effects of other soureces of harm, i.e. future and perhaps more severe droughts. Good planning is the only sensible way to do that and such planning requires good information.

Thank you for your attention,

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