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Subject: Say No to Tolls

CGA Transportation Committee Chairs and Vice Chairs,

We respectfully request you take all actions necessary to prevent the reintroduction of tolls to the state of Connecticut in any form. They were removed for good reasons decades ago and are simply another tax on Connecticut residents, with the added costs and burdens of construction and long-term infrastructure overhead.

As a member of your committee, our state senator Toni Boucher has clearly laid out the significant, tangible harm tolls would cause our area of the state. As residents of Bethel, many of the downsides she's voiced directly impact our family and neighbors; including the loss of income by local businesses, in addition to compounding the already untenable congestion and safety issues within the Danbury section of I-84.

While we understand the need to balance addressing Connecticut's woeful financial state with adapting our transportation infrastructure, we appreciate your leadership in defining solutions that do not involve regressing to "fixes" we've previously attempted and long-since moved on from.

Regards,
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