

**Connecticut General Assembly  
Before The Committee On Environment  
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Senate Bill 103**

**AN ACT CONCERNING HYDRAULIC FRACTURING WASTE IN CONNECTICUT**

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Good day, My name is Joyce Acebo~Raguskus, 174 Eastern Parkway, Milford, CT, Thank you for this privilege to speak before you Senators Kennedy and Miner, Representative Demicco and members of this vital Environment Committee.

I am in full support of *SB103 AN ACT CONCERNING HYDRAULIC FRACTURING WASTE IN CONNECTICUT.*

We have a vital responsibility to our families and land. The operative words are PROTECT & PREVENT with strong health and environment policies. We ask for continued protection and not allow insidious toxins to endanger our air quality, poison our waters, that we have worked hard in CT to decontaminate. Our natural resources, to sustain life as human beings...includes all in this room and outside these doors. Known contaminants, 32 known carcinogens, 43 genetic disruptors and radioactive matter is in the process of Hydraulic Fracking.

There is nothing more compelling than a child ill with cancer, gasping for air, struggling with neurological brain disorders. We have holes in our system, dark holes in our society and culture that must be embraced mended and cured. No financial gain will come with the loss of quality of life on all levels, void of human value. Gas masks will never fit the school uniform along with bullet proof vests. No, these holes are man made. We must be strong in securing the well being of our children and families must not ever include destructive contaminating Hydraulic Fracturing WASTE products, **not to mention long term serious consequences.**

This dangerous energy process is out of date, much akin to the crank telephone. The time is NOW to support healthy technology in all sustainable clean energy alternatives, as we, do not want to parish along with this Earth.

**NY State, Gov. legislators and citizens, were smart enough to LISTEN TO SCIENCE SCIENTISTS, AND LEADERS and banned Fracturing!** Leaders such as Sandra Steingraber, Ph.D., biologist, ecologist, author. They listened and educated themselves, embraced science and learned about deleterious effects on the environment and human health.

**I feel confident that you on this vital Committee on Environment have that ability** to support SB103 and help move the CT General Assembly which has failed three times in five years to ban all of the oil and gas wastes in our shared state of CT, we call home. Too I refer you to review closely the health and science data presented in the comprehensive testimony with FOOD & WATER WATCH, and Barbara R. Reitch, Ph.D., Environmental Scientist of Hamden and appreciate all those that have written and given testimony to this vital health/environment issue. Sincerely, Joyce Acebo~Raguskus, 174 Eastern Milford, CT/soulprints@icloud.com

