

Dear,  
Honorable Senator Miner, Senator Kennedy, Representative Demicco and  
distinguished members of the committee.

Please permanently ban toxic, radioactive fracking waste in CT.  
The thought of contaminating our environment and the health of our citizens and children is what upsets me the most. Last year I was diagnosed with thyroid cancer. The doctors said exposure to radiation is a proven risk factor to thyroid cancer, especially in childhood. My treatment included surgery to remove my thyroid and radioactive iodine therapy to make sure no thyroid cancer cells remained in my body. I have two small children (one and five years old) my biggest fear was harming them. I had to be in isolation for five days and when I came home I felt afraid to hold my one year old daughter. I didn't want to expose her tiny, growing healthy cells to any harmful radioactive material. Now to read that our trusted members of our senate are thinking of allowing this very harmful waste to be exposed into our water and environment is heartbreaking to me. We need to ban this waste in CT so we don't allow our families to be faced with these problems.

Sincerely,  
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