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

As a resident of Windsor, I am proud that my town has enacted an ordinance to ban fracking waste. However, that is insufficient if the toxic material can still be transported through the state. Given the growing number of towns also implementing bans, it is clear that fracking waste is not wanted in Connecticut.

Please permanently ban toxic, radioactive fracking waste in CT. Our environment, health, property values, town and state budgets cannot afford the accidents, spills, leaks and inadequate treatment followed by discharge that are contaminating other states. There are thousands of spills in other states with regulations and waterways are already radioactive. We need to ban this waste in Connecticut so we don't face the same contamination problems here.

Can we afford as a state to clean up a spill? Can we afford to pay for additional health problems that may result? This seems to be a clear choice – simply protect residents and save money at the same time.

Thank you for your careful consideration of this important issue.

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