

March 13, 2018

To: Environment Committee
State of Connecticut Legislature

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Subject: OPPOSE RAISED SB 427: "AN ACT CONCERNING THE PUBLIC TRUST COMPONENTS
OF THE STATE WATER PLAN"

Dear Environment Committee Members,

I understand Senate Bill 427 attempts to **privatize all wells** in Connecticut and I'm writing to express **my strong opposition** to this bill. **Water is a public resource, belonging to the people of Connecticut** and is **held in trust by the State** to be managed sustainably for the benefit of all residents now and into the future. Privatization opens the door to a variety of problems including, but not limited to, large water utilities with well fields supplying Connecticut drinking water declaring that they "own the groundwater." The implications of such a scenario would not be good for the people of our State and would jeopardize their health and well-being.

Please do not support SB 427 and the privatizing our water (well or otherwise). Thank you.

Sincerely,

Maria Roja
Resident of Ct.