

In response to: General Assembly Proposed Bill No. 457 January Session, 2019 LCO No. 2259

AN ACT CONCERNING THE SIZE OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

Introduced by 2 Democratic Party Senators; SEN. DUFF, 25th & SEN. OSTEN, 19th Districts

As a tax-paying citizen of the town of Bolton, CT for over 40 years; I am deeply opposed and emotionally troubled by any consolidation efforts proposed by this Bill.

My Bolton neighbors and I specifically chose Bolton (over numerous other communities), to make our home, raise our families, and contribute to our community. A major factor in my decision to live in Bolton was the continuing excellent school system. Although we are one of the smallest towns & school districts in the state, Bolton is always one of the educationally exceptional.

I know of not one single person in the Town of Bolton who would be eager to become without educational control, and have their child become “just a number” in a larger combine school system with possibly Manchester, Vernon/Rockville, or Coventry.

This consolidation is a terrible idea. My two daughters with Bolton public educations, have gone on to obtain BAs , MAs, and MBAs at Stonehill, UConn, Oxford in England, Harvard, and NorthEastern. Thank you to the “just right sized” Bolton Public School System.

As thousands of others, I will most likely be moving out Democratically controlled, mismanaged, and bankrupt Connecticut in the near future. Useless bill such as this one continue to push residents to greener and cheaper pastures.

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