

Good Afternoon,

In reviewing the bills to modify current regionalized districts and group more school districts together, I am at a loss for understanding how this arrangement came to be. It seems to be a very aggressive, puzzling, opaque plan.

Quite incomprehensible to use the probate judge area arrangement to redefine school districts/communities. Not comparing apples to oranges at all here.

Given the shrinking population in CT in wealthy suburbs (ex. Greenwich, Stamford, Darien, New Canaan, Fairfield, Stratford,) and the slight growth projected in most of the major cities, I sense that those districts/towns in the state where rating scales indicate higher test results might be guarded by political insider actions.

What is the logic for regrouping current arrangements in regionalized school districts- why not enhance those regions with current 'stand-alone' near-by towns, i.e. - Litchfield and Thomaston expanding Region 6?

There is a need for a lot more work, rethinking and major tweaking of these bills- cannot support them at all right now.

Regards,

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