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ATTN: Education Committee

We are writing to you in opposition of the Bills 454, 457 and 458, based on the fact our local lawmakers, community, parents and board members should have a voice and a right to review what greatly impacts our children!

By forcing regionalization without researching on a town-by-town level and clearly understanding the needs of our children, forced regionalization will deconstruct the entire public school system in the state of Connecticut.

These bills do not address the quality of education for our children in any way, they are simply a method to cut budgets and lower the quality of education **FOR ALL TOWNS** across the state **FORCED** to regionalize.

As parents of children in the Public School system, youth sports volunteers, board volunteers, and members of our community, our main concern is the quality of education for our children.

To pass a bill without the proper research, understanding, feed back from each of the communities or evidence supporting the benefits of these bills for each of the towns, goes against everything our government stands for.

In closing, **“forcing”** anything on a community, town or our children, completely goes against everything that I have instilled in my children since they were born and saddens me that any elected official could compromise the well being of our children!

These bills should be opposed and our children’s education placed in the forefront!

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Gina & Daniel Fusco', written over a horizontal line.

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