

Comments for Bill 457

Forced regionalization appears to be a desperate and unrealistic attempt to reduce the cost of public education. Realistically, I believe forced regionalization will likely reduce the total cost of education by very little and will probably have a negative impact on our children's education.

Before the Legislature proposes any initiative to reduce education cost, it needs to thoroughly investigate the root cause or root causes of the high cost of public education in Connecticut. Why can private schools in Connecticut provide high quality and effective education for less cost per student than the cost per student incurred by our public schools?

Please cancel Bill 457 and sponsor a Bill to honestly and accurately determine the sources of the high cost of public education. Within the same Bill please seriously consider which education programs are needed to provide solid basic education. The unnecessary programs should be canceled or fulfilled in other ways. Public Funds should only be spent on education programs that we really need. Also, take a hard look at administration costs and overhead.

In summary, it has been proven time and time again that corrective action is effective only when the true root causes have been confirmed.

Sincerely,

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