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Subject: Opposition to SB 738, SB 457, and SB 874

As a parent of public school students, I strongly oppose SB 738, SB 457, and SB 874 and any other bill that opens the door to forced regionalization of Connecticut Public Schools.

The reasons for our opposition include:

- We moved here for the schools, and existing school quality is what keeps us here
- None of these bills include even one mention of school quality
- Erodes the quality and the character of our local schools, which erodes the quality of our town
- We are highly concerned about potential impact of larger school sizes, decreasing administrator and community engagement.
- Evidence that this is already preventing people from coming to CT, or is driving decisions of people to leave CT

My name is Laura Hagen, Darien Connecticut

I hope you will oppose SB 738, SB 457, SB 874, and any other legislation that opens the door to forced regionalization of Connecticut public schools.

Sincerely,

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