Dear Members of the Education Committee,

As a parent of a public-school student, I oppose SB-738, SB-457 and SB-874 which would result in the forced regionalization of our schools.

As a new resident to this State, we were lured by the strength of the community and most importantly the strength of the school system. None of the proposed bills provide any insight on the sustainability of the existing student experience and maintenance thereof. This raises many concerns about the long-term efficacy of the current standard we pay for that makes our community and many others throughout the state attractive. If approved, this bill would contribute to an already tenuous fiscal situation presently facing the state by deterring new residents and their respective tax contributions.

Please do not move these bills forward. Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Respectfully,

Craig and Katie Shirey Darien, CT