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To: edtestimony@cga.ct.gov

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

Hello,

As a parent of public-school student, 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. Some of my reason 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, how will the quality of schools be impacted by regionalization. I feel this bill has the potential to erode the quality and the character of our local schools, which erodes the quality of our town
- I am also concerned about this bill resulting in bigger school sizes and its potential impact on education, decreasing administrator and community engagement, etc.
- The declining quality of school will most likely have an impact on property and I don't think that's something Connecticut needs now

My name is Madhu Singh and I am a resident of Weston and I strongly oppose SB 738, SB 457, and SB 874. I don't believe these will leads to cost savings or are beneficial to our children in any way.

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.

Thanks,
Madhu Singh