

I, Leah Clark of Burlington, CT wholeheartedly disagree with Bill 457 and Bill 738 which forces regionalization on school districts.

The negative consequences of these bills are many, but just a few include 1) less time in the classroom and more time on busses or leaving the house earlier in the morning and returning later in the afternoon to compensate for longer bus rides; 2) increased costs to build new schools for the new regions and provide bussing; 3) damage to the quality of our local education system; 4) loss of local control over school decision making; 5) loss of teacher positions; and 6) lower property values.

Thank you,  
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