

Dear Education Committee,

Thank you for working for CT.

As a parent of recently graduated 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

Both my husband and I grew up in Wilton and went through the public school system from K-12. We had an excellent education. When it was time to raise our own family we were living in another state and decided to come back to CT because we believed in the school system. We wanted our kids to have the great experience in a small town atmosphere with excellent education. Yes that meant the long commute to NYC for my husband's job, but it was worth it for our children to experience quality education. Our two children went through the Wilton public schools and both received excellent educations and are now in college and thriving. They were well prepared. None of the 3 bills mentioned include the impact to the quality of education. This is what brings people to CT. This is what brings people to Wilton. the quality, the size, the local government. Don't force us to change our school systems. Let our town figure out what's best for our schools.

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

Don't ruin our schools, don't ruin our town, don't ruin our state. CT is for education! Please don't force us to regionalize our CT public schools.

Thank you for your time and for doing what's best for CT – **NO FORCED regionalization of our schools.**

Sincerely,

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