

I am writing to express my opposition to both S.B. 457 and S.B. 738. I believe both of these bills constitute an overreach by the State into local schools and school boards.

It is my understanding that these bills are being proposed with the intention to save money. What I believe will happen, however, is that monies that would have been allocated to school districts will be instead re-directed to Hartford, New Haven, and Bridgeport without any thought of how to make all the other involved parties whole.

I should think that the State Legislature should do a serious evaluation of how business is conducted in state government before trying to tackle any sort of forced changes on towns and present school districts.

Thank you for your time,

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