

February 24, 2019

Dear Senators, Representatives, and Education Committee Members,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to Senate Bill 738, SB 457 and SB 874 which propose the mandatory creation of regional school districts in CT.

We have lived in Wilton for almost 13 years. We moved here solely for the excellent educational opportunities that Wilton could offer our growing family. Although most of our relatives and David's employment are in NY state, we chose Wilton, CT because we wanted a small-town school district with excellent schools. We found that in Wilton.

We strongly believe that towns have the right to govern their own districts to provide the educational structures that best suit them. It is neither efficient nor economical to force regionalized school districts. The state of CT has already lost many big businesses, including GE, and if we lose our wonderful schools than there will be no reason for anybody to move to CT, or for that matter, to even stay here.

These bills are a disaster for the state of Connecticut. Please help keep our schools strong and oppose these bills.

Sincerely,  
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