

**To:** edtestimony@cga.ct.gov

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

My name is Tracy Scarfi from Wilton and as a parent of public school students, I strongly oppose SB 738, SB 457, and SB 874 and any other bill that opens the door to regionalization of Connecticut Public Schools.

I am opposed for many reasons including:

- We moved to Wilton for the schools, and existing school quality has kept us here. Combining top ranked (#10) Wilton with a lower ranked (#114) Norwalk will create a diluted and poorer experience for Wilton students.
- None of these bills include even one mention of school quality.
- Erodes the quality and the character of our local schools, which erodes the quality of Wilton.
- Negative and immediate impact on CT's overall economy due to marginalization of the academics in towns forced into regionalization. Poorer academic quality will reduce the state's desirability, reducing the influx of young families, purchasing of homes and ultimately the spending that pays the taxes and keeps the state afloat.

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

Sincerely,

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