

Support of Governor's Bill No. 874

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Bill to study EDUCATION INITIATIVES AND SERVICES IN CONNECTICUT regarding concerning shared services and governance between school districts

The Bill will establish a commission of concerned citizens from all educational and political perspectives, to study and review the potential benefits of thoughtful regionalization of some of Connecticut's school districts.

I believe Connecticut has an exceptionally strong educational system, which could be improved by sharing resources such as athletic departments, expensive science laboratories, language classes and after-school activities. Shared services are more economical and can provide greater options for expensive programs that meet the needs of smaller groups.

My daughter benefited from an agreement between Canton and Simsbury so that she was able to study Latin in High School, when it was not offered locally. Think of the area-wide benefits that can accrue through thoughtful regionalization!

I support the creation of this commission concerning education initiatives and services.

Sincerely,

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