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Committee on Education
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General Assembly
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Subject: S.B. No. 874
AN ACT CONCERNING EDUCATION INITIATIVES AND
SERVICES IN CONNECTICUT

Dear Education Committee:

I am opposed to this legislation that infringes on the rights of homeschooling families to direct the education and upbringing of their children.

S.B. No. 874 creates the obligation of homeschooling parents to personally appear and register their child annually.

I object to State intrusion because:

1. The State has a dismal record of protecting children. Both DCF as well as children in the public school system have either slipped through the cracks or been ignored with tragic outcomes.

2. Initiating registration requirements creates the foundation for the government to further infringe on parent's rights and responsibilities without justification.

Please vote no on S.B. No. 874.

Thank you.

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