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Dear Honorable Members of the Connecticut Education Committee,

I am writing to you about the proposed addition to Section 17 and 18 of SB 874. SB 874, Sections 17 and 18 are unnecessary intrusion into family privacy and negate parental choice for education.

The regulation is only focusing on homeschoolers. If a child needs to be registered then all children across CT need to be registered. Focusing on homeschoolers is outright discrimination. Regulation is unnecessary and counter-productive. Specifically requesting that parent educators “physically appear” to register their children with the Department of Education is blatant discrimination.

We have been parent educating our children for 6 years. Both children are physically, emotionally and mentally in great shape.

Existing law recognizes the parents as having the right to the training and upbringing of their children. Other laws address any concerns that might exist.

Respectfully, Please remove Sections 17 and 18 from SB 874.

Thank you fro taking the time to read this.

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