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Chairman McCrory and Sanchez, Ranking Members Berthel and McCarty and esteemed members of the Education Committee, thank you for allowing me to submit testimony on SB 457, SB 738 and SB 874.

My wife and I recently moved to Connecticut with our three children having relocated from the UK approximately 1 year ago. We specifically decided to base ourselves in Connecticut and the town of Wilton based on the quality and ethos of the local school system.

The proposed bills are in direct conflict with the reasons that we moved here and we are in opposition to the bills. We are a family that will actively participate and invest in the local economy. We are also in a position whereby we are holding off investing in property in the area pending the results of these bills. If they are to move forward we will be looking to move away from Connecticut as it will become impossible to justify the higher taxes and continued intention to raise.

I am sure there are other families that are in this position, I believe you are crossing a line of no return and the financial and social impact of these bills will be significantly under estimated and you will see a string migration of residents away from the area.

So for absolute clarity my testimony is to reject these proposed bills.

Thank you again for hearing my testimony. I'm happy to answer any questions you may have.

Regards

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