

I Elizabeth Rivera oppose to the portions of SB 874 that pertain to home education: specifically Sections 17 and 18. The language in bill that calls for in person registration of homeschoolers is a drastic change from our current law.

The law in Connecticut that concerns the education of children acknowledges and protects the natural rights of parents to direct their own childrens' education. This law has been in place since 1650.

There is has been no evidence presented that this regulation provide conditions for children who are statistically safer being taught at home than they are in the public school, and who consistently score higher academically than public school students.

I believe that it would be wrong to pass a law that has no proven purpose that the effect would be to increase the burdens on your constituents and the local school's resources.

Thank you for your Time and consideration on this matter.