

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my strong support for Raised HB 7143, removing the restrictions on the length of the runway at Tweed. Expanding the number of flights/destinations at Tweed is critical to the economic development of New Haven and neighboring towns, to the quality of life of residents, and I believe also will help the environment.

The New Haven area loses critical business because it is so difficult to get here from anywhere you need to fly from. Moreover, I am an alder in New Haven and hear lots of complaints from constituents about how frustrating it is to have to trek to Hartford or the New York airports to travel. It wastes time and money for our residents. These trips to other airports also harm the environment because of all the excess travel they require.

Thank you very much for considering my strong support for this bill, which is so important to the vibrancy of New Haven and neighboring towns.

Sincerely, Abigail Roth