Dear Members of the Environment Committee,

I am writing in support of HB 6441 <https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.cga.ct.gov%2F2021%2FTOB%2FH%2FPDF%2F2021HB-06441-R00-HB.PDF&data=04%7C01%7Cenvtestimony%40cga.ct.gov%7C349d5df79c2b467acc0a08d8e173a9a2%7C3ec76714b1b4418a883232c46ec84226%7C0%7C0%7C637507234335918954%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=aNWK2tEjVodlo88h7LU4UWNrim32v%2B1dh%2B5zZiY0kUo%3D&reserved=0> , The Governor's Act Concerning Climate Change Adaptation. It is important to provide our CT municipalities with mechanisms, tools, and funding now to prepare us as climate change affects our communities. This bill includes many intelligent aspects of future planning to help all of us. <https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.cga.ct.gov%2F2021%2FTOB%2FH%2FPDF%2F2021HB-06441-R00-HB.PDF&data=04%7C01%7Cenvtestimony%40cga.ct.gov%7C349d5df79c2b467acc0a08d8e173a9a2%7C3ec76714b1b4418a883232c46ec84226%7C0%7C0%7C637507234335928903%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=nb%2FWXwvCTprsM8rC0Rg7JgL%2BElQFLXeyur0jCpbqoiE%3D&reserved=0>

I particuarly would like to support Section 3 of the bill, which enables a Municipal Funding Option for a conveyance fee program that would enable our cities and towns to generate revenue for land stewardship, climate adaptation, resilience, and other local environmental projects including urban forestry, invasive species control, and tree planting. This money is urgently needed, and would be able to be approved and managed at the local level.

Please approve this bill.

thank you,

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