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To the Distinguished Chairs and Ranking Members of the Government Administration and Elections Committee:

**SB 1109** – An Act Concerning the Conveyance of a Parcel of State Land in the Town of South Windsor

I support the conveyance of the property owned by the Connecticut Department of Transportation located at 239 Ellington Road to the Town of South Windsor. This valuable piece of property has great economic development potential as it is situated close to state and interstate highways, and near other newly developed industries including both a Coca Cola and Home Depot distribution centers. Currently, this property is unused by the Department of Transportation and its development would generate significant revenue for South Windsor and reduce the State's PILOT obligation to the Town.

**SB 1113** – An Act Concerning the Conveyance of a Parcel of State Land in the Town of East Windsor at 36 Gardner Street to the Town of East Windsor

This property is currently the North Campus of The Albert J. Solnit Children's Center, a Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facility for adolescent males between the ages of thirteen and seventeen operated by The Department of Children and Families. As the Co-Chair of the Committee on Children, I recognize the important role this facility has in providing residential treatment services to adolescent males between the age of 13 and 17 with complex psychiatric needs. I do not support its closure without an adequate replacement. Should the Connecticut Department of Children and Families to cease operation at the Albert J. Solnit Children's Center, The Town of East Windsor should be given priority in the acquisition of the property for use as a municipal services complex.

**SB 1114** – An Act Relinquishing the State Interest in a Parcel of Land Conveyed to the Town of East Windsor

This four-acre parcel contains former military housing for a defunct Nike Missile Site that was converted into sixteen low-income housing units in the 1990s. While individual homes were sold to residents, the land itself was owned and managed by the nonprofit Creative Housing Solutions Inc., LLC. The Town came into possession of the land through a foreclosure process after the Nonprofit failed to make PILOT payments and subsequently dissolved. Currently, the Town is working to subdivide and transfer ownership of the land to the individual homeowners, however, the deed restriction remains in place. These restrictions are hurting the homeowners by limiting their ability to sell and reducing the values of their homes. As the Town of East Windsor already exceeds the 10% requirement for affordable housing stock under 8-30g, these deed restrictions should be removed to allow these homeowners to enjoy full ownership and rights over their property.



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