

My name is Rachel MacDonald and I live in Rocky Hill. As a constituent, I urge you to vote no on the proposal creating a State-run Public Option.

We can and must improve access to affordable health care coverage in Connecticut, but a State-run Public Option will not achieve that goal because it does not address the underlying cost drivers.

This proposal will not decrease the cost of health care in Connecticut and will further destabilize the State's health insurance marketplace. A State-run Public Option could do real harm to our vitally important local insurance industry and put the State further into debt and make the taxpayers the backstop. A Public Option would also threaten Access Health CT and its risk pools.

We need your support.

I urge you to vote no on Public Option.

Regards,

Rachel MacDonald