

Bill Number:

SB 1027, HB 6107 - An Act Concerning the Reorganization of the Zoning Enabling Act and the Promotion of Municipal Compliance.

Honorable Co-chairs Cassano, Mccarthy Vahey and Ranking Members Hwang and Zullo,

We are writing in opposition of SB 1027 and HB 6107. We do not believe that the state should dictate local zone issues, as one size does not fit all. If the goal is to provide more affordable housing in certain towns, the state should provide general guidelines and let each town develop their own plan to achieve those goals. Darien is a perfect example of a town that has made great progress in creating more affordable and inclusionary housing. Additionally, each town in Connecticut is unique, and therefore, requires a plan that reflect's that town's demographics, infrastructure, and general ability to handle an increase in population. When the state dictates a one size fits all mandate, it's the individual towns and its residents that have to deal with the unintended consequences and costs, not the state (ie... overcrowded schools, parking issues, limited resources). We hope the Connecticut Legislature understands our concerns and withdraws these well-intentioned, but misguided bills that are nothing more than an over reach of power by Hartford.

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