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Testimony in **opposition** to Proposed S.B. HB 6107, HB 6611, HB 6612, HB 6613, SB 1024, SB 1026, SB 1027

Dear Planning and Development Committee,

I am strongly **opposed** to removing local control of zoning and a top-down mandate by Hartford. You cannot force a one size fits all approach as each town and city in CT is different and it will lead to devastating consequences to the environment, water, habitat, transportation and even school capacity will be affected.

Many towns have updated their zoning to allow accessory dwellings to help with this which is a fantastic idea. 8-30G also needs to be updated to allow older affordable housing to qualify as many units have been updated and are in great condition.

We really need to lower the cost of living in Connecticut, allow everyone the opportunity of a great education by letting the money follow the child and become more business friendly to increase the availability of good paying jobs.

Thank you,

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