To the Representatives and Senators of CT Legislature,

I am opposed to the proposed bills, S.B. 1024, and H.B. 6107, H.B. 6611, H.B. 6112, H.B. 6613, S.B. 1026, S.B. 1027, H.B. 6107. Our legislature should defend our Local Zoning Controls; Protect the Environment & Stop Overdevelopment of Connecticut's land and local use. We have limited land in our small state and need to protect and preserve land for our future generations.

<u>I do not agree with the following proposals:</u>

- Force municipalities to erect specific types of housing developments within a ½ mile of transit stations OR ¼ mile of commercial corridors
- Eliminate local control over certain types of housing (location-based, accessory, 2+ units) and allow certain developments to occur without a local public hearing
- Create new mandates - including training staff and shouldering new costs
- Affect the environment and drinking water statewide by ignoring the responsibilities of municipalities who host waterways, open space
- Impact traffic flow, parking demands
- Drive up residency at a rate which outpaces the capacities of local resources/services - Police, Fire, Schools,
- Our local Schools are underfunded by the State every year. This should be a priority to fund our schools and help our towns not take away more resources.
- Overburden the public water and sewer infrastructure (if available)
- Require access to public transportation (if available)

Our state belongs to the people of Connecticut and should be protected by the local zoning controls, Protect our Environment and Stop the overdevelopment of Connecticut's land and local use.
Each Town and City has its unique character and economic needs. These proposals are trying to make Each town and city the same! They are not! We pride ourselves on our "Yankee ingenuity." Therefore, the local government knows what is best for our residents. We elect our representatives and senators to listen to their constituents.

Please do not vote in favor of these bills.

Sincerely,

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