

My name is Alison Thomas from Newtown, CT. I am a wife, consumer, homeowner 10 years, and mother of a son that graduated from Newtown HS who is now enrolled at a private institution in CT.

I would have to guess, that living in small rural town in CT all my life, and participating in my local government, would give me at least SOME idea of what things tend to work and don't in a small rural landscape. If you took this country girl to Hartford, I would have no inclination as to what would work. Now I'm no expert, but I am a mother. Along that same idea, if someone came into my home, took my son, and tried to force him to be a painter, I surely could tell you with certainty, I'm his mom and I would know better than you would. I've studied him since he was born, his likes and dislikes, quirks and all. Just because it sounds or looks good, doesn't mean one size fits all and that's what this Bill being proposed does. It takes the voice of those that know the area best, and enforces rules, regulations and restrictions that are not about what's best for the townspeople, but what the state deems "right".

From what I can see, this Desegregate CT(which isn't mentioned), is trying to force equity not equality, via the state forcing "racial justice" along with global warming agendas.

I'm also concerned that if specified language is not properly used, not to mention the townspeople having at the very least voting opportunities, it could mean a whole can of worms such as public transportation systems, lack of parking creating issues, a glut of homes unoccupied, etc.

Has it been shown/proven, that creating a mass of housing in an town, everywhere it's been tried, the town becomes desegregated? I find it insulting that this is a race issue. Is the state saying people of color can't afford to live in Connecticut? I can rattle off a list of names of people who have fled and are leaving this state because of lack of affordability lack of jobs, and the way the state government is run, and they are all varieties of shapes sizes and colors.

Respectfully I am asking you to vote NO on all of these bills:

6611 – Fair Share

6612 – Child Care and Zoning

6613 – TODs and Main Street, 7500 pop

1024 – DesegregateCT – Form-based Zoning, TODs, Main Street, Parking, Sewer, 7500 pop

1026 – Training

1027 – ADUs

6107 – Zoning, State Working Group

Sincerely,

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