

Planning & Development Committee  
Connecticut State Assembly

Dear Representatives,

Please Vote no any of the House Bills listed below that you will be considering at your Monday hearing that erode the power of local towns and cities to decide for themselves what kind of real estate development to permit in their jurisdictions.

I want the State of Connecticut to stop usurping local power.

Consistent with State efforts to regionalize education and create a state-wide property tax, there are multiple proposals in the bills listed below designed to eliminate 'home rule' and local zoning rights.

These proposals are misguided. Instead of common-sense, market-driven solutions to provide diversified housing, overseen by locally elected and accountable representatives, Hartford politicians would issue state-mandated decrees and control local zoning.

We expect you to vote No on all legislation that gives local decision-making rights to a state or regional body. And we expect you to speak out publicly against this movement to fundamentally change home rule.

Sincerely,

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BILLS FOR REVIEW BY THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE Monday 3/15/2021 10 am.

H.B. No. 6609 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE FAILURE TO FILE FOR CERTAIN GRAND LIST EXEMPTIONS. (PD)

H.B. No. 6610 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF OUTDOOR FOOD AND BEVERAGE SERVICE BY RESTAURANTS. (PD)

H.B. No. 6611 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING A NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND OTHER POLICIES REGARDING AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND DEVELOPMENT. (PD)

H.B. No. 6612 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING PROTECTIONS FOR FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES AND THE ZONING ENABLING ACT. (PD)

H.B. No. 6613 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING ACCESSORY APARTMENTS, MIDDLE HOUSING AND MULTIFAMILY HOUSING. (PD)

S.B. No. 1024 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING ZONING AUTHORITY, CERTAIN DESIGN GUIDELINES, QUALIFICATIONS OF CERTAIN LAND USE OFFICIALS AND CERTAIN SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS. (PD)

S.B. No. 1025 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING SHORT-TERM RENTAL PROPERTIES. (PD)

S.B. No. 1026 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING TRAINING FOR CERTAIN PLANNING AND ZONING OFFICIALS. (PD)

S.B. No. 1027 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS AND ZONING REGULATIONS. (PD)

10 H.B. No. 6107 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE REORGANIZATION OF THE ZONING ENABLING ACT AND THE PROMOTION OF MUNICIPAL COMPLIANCE. (PD)