

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Planning and Development Committee

I am writing today to ask you to please OPPOSE SB1024 An Act Concerning Zoning Authority, Certain Design Guidelines, Qualifications of Certain Land Use Officials and Certain Sewage Disposal Systems.

As someone who has served their community on a planning and zoning commission, as well as served in a regional planning capacity, I find the details of this bill very troubling.

Many of the plans outlined in this bill are already in effect in most towns across our state. In terms of 8-30g affordable housing, my town has developed so much that we currently have a moratorium in place. I believe in regionalization, where it makes sense, and benefits all communities involved. I also believe the best decisions for our communities are made locally. I do not believe it should be the role of the legislature to dictate how, when, and where our resources are used, land developed, and to whom shall benefit from such actions.

Thank you, and please OPPOSE SB1024

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