

I would like to record my strong **OPPOSITION** to SB- 1024 proposed bill. The bill is being promoted as a measure of “fighting inequality in our state”. However, your proposed SB- 1024 bill does **ABSOLUTELY NOTHING** to address the real issue. It simply suggests that our towns should give up local regulations of zoning while we all know that things get always done *better* on a *local* level. By allowing Hartford to forcefully re-structure our streets and re-draw our maps, towns will end up with extra units of “low-income housing”. This bill does **NOT** address the ways to enrich our communities and bring low-income residents to a level where they can live an enjoyable life. SB-1024 simply relocates them to another zip code, into some newly-created multifamily home. SB-1024 takes the “problem citizens” from New Haven/Bridgeport and moves them to Darien/Westport. The authors of this bill simply want the problem to go away by getting rid of a portion of their own neighbors!!! **Relocate them = Problem solved. Is it???**

We all want better lives for our neighbors. But we need bills and measures which uplift people and make them productive members of the society -and then they will have a choice of where they *want* to live. **Reshuffling people is what SB-1024 proposes – and we must oppose it.**

Thank you.

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