

Re. (HB 6107, HB 6611, HB 6612, HB 6613, SB 1024, SB 1026, SB 1027)

Dear Planning and Development Committee:

The need for more diverse housing in Connecticut must be addressed, HOWEVER the unique needs and geography of each community (including cities, suburbs, and rural areas) must be considered. The above noted bills will:

- 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
- Overburden the public water and sewer infrastructure (if available)
- Require access to public transportation (if available)

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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