

Dear Madam or Sir,

Ref.: HB 6107, HB 6611, HB 6612, HB 6613, SB 1024, SB 1026, SB 1027

In my opinion, it would be woefully shortsighted to remove the responsibility for regulating Zoning from the Towns and pass that responsibility on to the State.

Every City, Town, and Borough in Connecticut possesses unique characteristics and the needs of each could not possibly benefit from a one-size-fits-all Code. Every locale's State, Federal, and Local infrastructure, population density, natural resources, geographic make-up, (as well as historical considerations), differ, thus, trying to craft a single, homogenized State Zoning Code, has little chance of doing anything other than producing a confusing set of rules that will ultimately, benefit no one.

As an analogy, every disease generally has medications that are indicated to affect a cure or at least, ameliorate symptoms. That said, the medicines prescribed for Athlete's Foot or Malaria differ from the medicines that would be indicated for treating, say, Bacterial Pneumonia. Each of Connecticut's Towns and Cities may very well have important zoning issues that need attention, but trying to craft a "one drug" cure is pure folly.

Sincerely,
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