

Dear Sirs:

As a taxpayer and resident of Fairfield I have to express my opposition to both of these proposed bills. They are an attack on taxpaying residents of coastal towns in CT. We have paid a premium for our homes because they are in 'beach towns' and we pay higher taxes to staff and maintain these town beaches. Everyone, whether a resident or not, has access to the beach but parking rates are discounted for residents as a way of not double-charging residents who have already paid toward the beach expenses through their town taxes. One of the reasons that my family and I moved to Fairfield almost two years ago from NY is because of the beaches. Connecticut should be proud of their coastal beach towns and how attractive they are to out-of-state transplants. After years of a negative resident flow, this is not productive.

This is another attempt at social engineering and simply another form of pandering for votes as there are likely more CT voters in non-beach towns.

We will publicize the names of legislators who vote for this over-reach by the State into the affairs of individual towns. The State of Connecticut should not be allowed to micromanage any town's business.

Please do not vote for either of these two bills, HR 5254 or HR 5361.

Thank you,  
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