



TESTIMONY IN **SUPPORT OF CHANGES to LCO #373**  
AN ACT CONCERNING THE SUSTAINABILITY OF CONNECTICUT'S  
TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE

January 31, 2020

**To:** Honored Chairs Sen. Leone and Rep. Lemar and Distinguished Members of the Transportation Committee

**From:** Emily Alexander, Connecticut League of Conservation Voters

On behalf of the Connecticut League of Conservation Voters (CTLCV), thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony **IN SUPPORT OF CHANGES to LCO #373** to address concerns of Connecticut's transportation infrastructure.

We are pleased to see that each transportation project will include considerations relating to the environment, traffic congestion, transit-oriented development, access to employment, and more. As we work to ensure that our infrastructure is in a good state for years to come, we also need to consider the impact our current infrastructure is having on our environment and our most vulnerable communities.

**Connecticut's transportation sector contributes 38% of our total greenhouse gas emissions.** Investments in active transportation, public transportation, and electric vehicle infrastructure are critical to meet our greenhouse gas reduction goals cited in the Global Warming Solutions Act, and to mitigate climate-related issues facing Connecticut.

In addition, the membership of the Transportation Policy Council should include a representative from the land-use and environmental advocacy community, public health community, and active transportation community. These voices in the room will be critical to ensuring a focus on reducing emissions.

We urge the committee to **make these changes and SUPPORT LCO #373**. Thank you for your consideration as you deliberate on this bill.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Emily Alexander", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

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