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REP. SCANLON COMPLETES FIRE OPS 101 TRAINING

State Rep. Sean Scanlon (D-Guilford, Branford) has completed Fire Ops 101, a half-day training exercise at the Hartford Fire Department Training Facility. The exercise is designed to give elected officials a first-hand glimpse of what a day in the life of a firefighter is like.

Scanlon, with the help of his shadow, Guilford Firefighter/Paramedic Steve LaPaglia, donned full firefighter gear and rotated through several live action scenarios such as search and rescue in a smoke-filled room, using the Jaws of Life to cut off a car door in a simulated motor vehicle accident, and extinguishing an actual fire inside a training building.

“I am so grateful to have had the chance to experience just a fraction of what our firefighters go through on a daily basis to keep our communities safe,” Scanlon said. “I already had a tremendous amount of respect for what these men and women do, but after today my level of admiration for them and understanding of how hard their jobs are increased exponentially.”