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Dear Neighbor,

As this Session continues to move along I wanted to give you an update on what is going on at the Capitol and how it affects the 50th district. Many bills that have a direct impact on our towns have been voted on in one Chamber with others coming up for a vote.

HB 5884 An Act Prohibiting Coal Tar Sealants passed the House and is now in the Senate awaiting a vote. This bill is important to help protect the environment and wildlife as well. The mileage tax study has been canceled as well. I cosponsored SB 76 AN ACT CONCERNING THE POWER OF THE COMMISSIONER OF TRANSPORTATION TO CONDUCT A MILEAGE TAX STUDY WITH STATE FUNDS, which would have done away with the mileage tax study and is on the floor of the Senate.

Please feel free to reach out with any questions or concerns. You can call me at 860-240-1372 or email me at [Pat.Boyd@cga.ct.gov](mailto:Pat.Boyd@cga.ct.gov). Thank you for the opportunity to represent you and let me know if I can be of assistance.



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## **CRUMBLING FOUNDATIONS**

Last year, we passed a law requiring towns to reassess affected properties in order to lower the tax burden on their owners. In order to be reevaluated, you must contact your town assessor and have obtained a written evaluation from a professional engineer indicating that the damage was caused by defective concrete.

I am continuing to fight for further legislation so homeowners affected by this problem can find some relief. Please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have.

## **PROVIDING CAPITAL TO SMALL BUSINESS**

We passed HB 5583 AN ACT EXPANDING INVESTMENT ELIGIBILITY UNDER THE ANGEL INVESTOR TAX CREDIT PROGRAM to increase the types of businesses that can claim this credit from technology based industries to all of them. This credit is an important tool in helping small businesses grow and be viable in the State.

## **REPEAL OF THE MILEAGE TAX STUDY**

I had cosponsored SB 76 AN ACT CONCERNING THE POWER OF THE COMMISSIONER OF TRANSPORTATION TO CONDUCT A MILEAGE TAX STUDY WITH STATE FUNDS with the intention of repealing the Mileage Tax Study. This bill was voted out of the Transportation Committee and sent to the Senate. Since then, the administration has announced that they are repealing the study.

## **PROPERTY TAX CREDITS FOR GOLD STAR PARENTS**

The House passed HB 7110 which deals with technical changes to the statutes concerning Veteran's Affairs. One important piece in this legislation is the increase of a tax credit to Gold Star Parents. This bill would allow the municipality that a Gold Star Parent lives in to increase that credit to \$25,000.