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Commissioner Michael Bzdya
Department of Motor Vehicles
60 State Street
Wethersfield, CT 06161

Dear Commissioner Bzdya,

As you are of course aware, early this week AAA Northeast and the Department of Motor Vehicles failed to renew the vendor's contract with the state to perform driver's license renewals. I appreciate that the DMV negotiated in good faith with AAA Northeast, even after the vendor attempted to renege on its existing contract in 2016 and resumed providing services only under the threat of a lawsuit from Governor Malloy. I find it difficult to understand why AAA Northeast was unable to reach an agreement with the state when the other AAA franchise in Connecticut, AAA Club Alliance, recently renewed its contract for another five years.

I am sure that you can imagine that the loss of these services performed by AAA Northeast is an important issue for the Connecticut residents that I represent. I would urge you and the Department of Motor Vehicles to quickly find a new private vendor to take over the providing of these services in order to disrupt licensing in the affected areas as little as possible.

Please contact me at 860-240-0414 should you have any questions or if you would like to discuss this matter further. Thank you for your consideration of this issue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bob Duff".

Bob Duff
Senate Majority Leader