

S.B. No. 197 (RAISES) AN ACT CONCERNING CIVIL AIR PATROL FUNDING

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I am in support of the bill.

WHY Civil Air Patrol IS IN NEED OF MONEY

We need funding to support Civil Air Patrol in the state of Connecticut for the following reasons:

- Day-to-day operations at our HQ in Middletown, CT to include physical plant maintenance (none done in five years)
- Maintenance for vehicles (both aircraft and ground) not covered by CAP National HQ.
- Cadet program education and activities
- IT infrastructure—seriously lacking because of age and lack of ability to do upgrades
- Communications equipment disposal and replacement for the radios and upgrade repeaters.
- To Continue our operational training in a consistent basis

HOW TAKING IT AWAY HAS HURT US

- No repairs at HQ
- Members purchasing and donating toilet paper, paper towels, etc.
- Support of the cadet program has been severely curtailed.
- Communications maintenance has stopped.
- Had to cut back on operational training.
- I have put a moratorium on spending money at Wing HQ

HOW MUCH DO WE NEED TO KEEP US FUNCTIONING

\$75,000

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| • Operational supplies and Physical repairs to our facility | 20,000 |
| • Support for cadet program | 5,000 |
| • IT equipment | 10,000 |
| • Replace and repair communications equipment | 20,000 |
| • Training and operations | 20,000 |

If the Committee needs further information from us, they can contact us and we will get the information for you.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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