



**Testimony of Leo Paul
First Selectman, Town of Litchfield
Before the Finance Committee
of the Connecticut General Assembly
March 4, 2013**

**RE: SB-843 – AN ACT CONCERNING REVENUE ITEMS TO
IMPLEMENT THE GOVERNOR'S BUDGET**

Eliminating the property tax on motor vehicles will cost the Town of Litchfield approximately \$1.5 million dollars. Without this revenue, our town will be left with a massive hole in its budget – a hole that will have to be plugged by increasing mil rates on homeowners and businesses or cutting critical services.

Eliminating the car tax will provide very little benefit, if any, to taxpayers. Instead, it shifts the burden to homeowners and businesses.

I urge lawmakers to *oppose the provisions in SB-843* which would eliminate the car tax.