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Appropriations Committee
Connecticut General Assembly

Re: A World Without CRIS

To the Members of the Connecticut General Assembly:

Once upon a time there was a world without CRIS. How well I remember the dark ages. The age of enlightenment dawned in 1980 when CRIS Radio began broadcasting. I obtained my first two jobs thanks to the employment opportunities program which was aired by CRIS Radio. My independence was also enhanced through the grocery sale ads, which were read by the volunteers on CRIS. I also developed further general knowledge through reading the newspaper and magazine articles by CRIS.

Who listens to CRIS Radio? People who are visually impaired, legally blind, totally blind, print disabled, earning disabled, children, senior citizens, and bilingual citizens.

What happens if CRIS doesn't receive funding? The answer is we will once again return to the dark ages.

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