

Dear Planning and Development Committee members,

We were unable to attend the Friday, February 19, 2016 meeting concerning "H.BI 5180 - An Act Concerning the Documentation of Concrete Foundation Applications", but would like to comment.

We are Beth and Tom Gruessner and we live at 39 Berkeley Drive in Vernon in a home built in 1984. We do not have documentation of who supplied the concrete for our foundation and the person who set up the foundation "couldn't remember". Over the last summer when the failing concrete foundation issue gained attention, it dawned on us that our foundation had many cracks. Subsequently we had a home inspector and a structural engineer visually inspect the cracks and they determined them to be signs of failing concrete.

It would be very helpful if there was a requirement to have the name of the supplier and the pour date on record. My husband and I are waiting to see if there will be any help for us to replace our foundation - since there is no other remedy. Currently we are waiting to see what the State of Connecticut learns in its investigation before we proceed further. We are only lucky that right now it has not reached a dangerous level and we may have some time on our side. Please continue to do whatever you can to assist us homeowners. Thank you for allowing us to comment.

Sincerely,

Beth and Tom Gruessner