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CT Delegation ENCOURAGED After Meeting with Social Security Commissioner Regarding Bristol Social Security Office

Commissioner Astrue announces short term commitment to keep Bristol office open

WASHINGTON- Today, Members and staff of the Connecticut Congressional delegation met with Social Security Commissioner Michael Astrue regarding the future of the Bristol Social Security office. Commissioner Astrue announced a short term commitment to keep the Bristol Social Security office open pending continued funding. The delegation issued the following joint statement after todayﹾs meeting:

 We are very pleased by the dialogue with Commissioner Astrue and his commitment to keep the Bristol Social Security office open in the near term. The delegation lobbied to keep the facility open while we go through the budget process. We are hopeful that with a new direction in Washington we will be able to secure funding to continue the operation of the Bristol office as its presence is critical to the surrounding communities. We will continue to work with Commissioner Astrue to achieve this goal.

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