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District 113



**Legislative Update One – Short Session**  
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**Brevard, North Carolina** – I want to take this opportunity to pass along a short update from our first few days back in session this year. This week was a very short week as we re-entered session on Wednesday. We are currently in the short session and by all accounts the leadership on both sides of the aisle do not expect to be in town very long.

First, I would like to tell you about a truly humbling experience this past week. I was inducted into the TC Roberson High School Graduates of Distinction. I graduated from TC Roberson in 1974 and I joined a group of four other people who were included in this year's class of inductees. The purpose of the TC Roberson High School Graduates of Distinction Program "is to honor TC Roberson High School graduates who have distinguished themselves in their community, profession or career." Again I am deeply moved to join such a distinguished group of community leaders in Western North Carolina.

I am sure you have heard about the budget issues we continue to face in Raleigh. These issues will dominate legislative discussion this short session. Governor Perdue has presented her budget to the General Assembly and the Senate is already working on their version. As soon as they complete their work we will get the budget in the House. Tough decisions will once again need to be made as we work to balance the budget in an effective and efficient manner to meet the needs of the people of North Carolina.

There are several local bills that I am working on as well this session. These pieces of legislation will directly impact District 113. As we move forward with these bills I will keep you informed on their progress and provide specific details about each one. It is important to me that I balance our statewide needs with the needs of our local communities throughout District 113.

I still contend that we must find a better way to conduct business in Raleigh. We must prioritize our needs and make funding decisions based on those priorities. There are many great and important issues facing us as a people and we must work hard each day to identify those priorities that will help us address those issues. It is only by working together, placing partisan politics to the side, that we will truly be able to put the needs and the voice of the people first.

Please continue to contact my office with any questions or concerns. I enjoy hearing from each of you and it is my goal to ensure that the voice of the people is always heard throughout our state government. My staff and I are always here to work with you to address any issues that you may have with our government. If you are in Raleigh please stop by the Legislative Building and visit with us. Thank you again for the humbling experience to serve you, the people of District 113, in the North Carolina House of Representatives.

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