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REP. STRIPP ANNOUNCES HOTLINE FOR FURNACE REBATE PROGRAM



HARTFORD – State Representative John E. Stripp (R-Weston) announced that residents may call a new toll free hotline to receive information about the state’s new furnace rebate program.

The furnace rebate hotline is 1-866-940-4676. Residents who leave their name, mailing address and phone number will be mailed program application materials.

The State Bond Commission recently authorized \$5 million for a program to provide rebates of up to \$500 for homeowners who replace their furnaces with more efficient models. The furnace rebate program applies to homes and apartment buildings with four units or less. Replacement furnaces fueled by natural gas must be Energy Star-rated, while oil and propane equipment must be at least 84 percent efficient. The amount of the rebates varies depending on the income of the homeowner.

“Consumers need every break, as energy prices keep skyrocketing,” Rep. Stripp said. “As residents began to think about their winter home-heating budgets, this new furnace rebate program promotes energy efficiency improvements adds value to homes and helps conserve resources – all benefits for our consumers and our state.”

The rebate program, which will be administered by the Office of Policy and Management, is authorized under energy legislation Rep. John Stripp voted into law in 2007. The application is also available on the Office of Policy and Management website: http://www.ct.gov/opm/cwp/view.asp?a=2994&q=420476&opmNav_GID=1808.

Rep. John E. Stripp represents Easton, Redding and Weston in the General Assembly.