

**PROHIBIT OPEN CONTAINERS OF ALCOHOL IN MOTOR  
VEHICLES  
SENATE BILL NO. 152**

Driving while under the influence has become a serious issue in the state of Connecticut. In 2007, one hundred and one (101) people died in alcohol related crashes in Connecticut. It is estimated that for every victim of physical injury or death caused by an alcohol related crash, there are more than double the number of surviving family members. As a victim of drunk driving, it is upsetting that Connecticut is one of only seven states that have no adopted laws to deter alcohol consumption within a motor vehicle. A study found that an open container law has significant deterrent effect against drinking and driving. If the addition of an open container law can lower the amount of victims affected by alcohol related crashes, it is important that Connecticut bring itself up to speed with proactive drunk driving measures and pass an open container law.

**I encourage your support of Senate Bill No. 152.**

**My personal support for this bill:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Wednesday, March 25, 2009**

Town: \_\_\_\_\_

**Victims' Voice Day!**