Constituent Interaction

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With my mind set on applying each of my experiences this last semester to my final product, I have seen that almost any experience can be instrumental in my understanding of government interactions in state legislature. Chiefly, even the comments and relationships with local constituents can be impactful in creating a representative's stance on key issues and bills. Such was the focus of this week's work as I look to apply this concept of universal utility to other professional interactions.

With my time with Mrs. Brigadier this week, our visits focused mostly on the legislative office's interaction with local businesses and constituents. My greatest experience with this included listening in to a conversation with Dody and a constituent, addressing her concerns with new legislature and incidents that caused to become more involved with local governmental bodies. The discussion helped me understand that individual input truly does matter in the legislative process, as such information is reported to Pat Fallon, and that any amount of input can have wide impacts.

With the lessons I have learned in my time with Mrs. Brigadier this week, I can see that, in a professional environment, input and attention to every aspect of a process is critical in working towards a final goal. As our Final Presentation Night approaches, I hope that I can apply this to my experiences in the legislative office and other professional environments.