Bloomfield and Windsor Legislative Update

We worked hard this year on legislation to address important issues for the people of Connecticut. Earlier this year we made a plan to protect people who often can't protect themselves. Victims of domestic violence and children at risk due to the poor economy, job losses by caregivers and the recession will benefit from the progress we have made. In addition, we have provided towns struggling with ever-tightening budgets real savings through better prescription drug pricing. I hope you find this information helpful. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions on these programs or any other issue.

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CHILDREN IN THE RECESSION

Connecticut Acts - First In Nation

We have passed the nation's first state legislation that looks at the needs of children impacted by an economic recession. The bill addresses hunger, housing, employment opportunities and health care needs of families impacted by this and future recessions. We couldn't afford to wait any longer to take action, given the impact of the deepest recession of our lifetime on Connecticut's children, who deserve nothing less than our full attention.

STRENGTHENING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE LAWS

The state has an obligation to ensure that victims of domestic violence are receiving the help they need. As a result, the House passed a three-part legislative package that takes a comprehensive approach to dealing with family violence in the areas of judicial and criminal justice, housing and human services, and education. The changes are the most sweeping reforms to domestic violence laws in Connecticut in the past 25 years and include GPS monitoring for the highest risk domestic violence offenders; improvement of the enforcement of protective orders; and the creation of three additional domestic violence court dockets.

TOWNS SAVE ON HEALTH CARE

The House passed legislation that will lower prescription drug costs for Connecticut's towns. The bill gives municipalities the ability to buy prescription drugs through the state employee plan. By taking advantage of the bargaining power, low administrative costs and substantial discounts negotiated by the large state employee pool, municipalities will see substantial savings in health care costs. The bill is the right prescription for ailing municipal budgets. It will give municipalities a new tool for managing prescription costs—a key driver of rising health care costs.

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