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SENIOR UPDATE

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

I hope this message finds you and yours well. We have been working hard to implement policies and programs to respond to the feedback and needs of our seniors. I want to share with you some of the legislation passed this year, along with some existing policies that improve the lives of seniors in our community and our state. If you have questions or if you, or someone you know, is in need of assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at 860-240-8585 or email me at aimee.berger-girvalo@cga.ct.gov.

I look forward to hearing from you!

All my best,

Aimee Berger-Girvalo

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FROM STATE REPRESENTATIVE

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PRESERVING THE MEDICARE SAVINGS PROGRAM

This program helps many of you purchase prescriptions and pay for doctor visits and other premiums. We have protected the funding for this program so that those participating in the Medicare Savings Program will continue to do so without worry. **Apply here:** <https://bit.ly/3jdts4s>

RENTERS REBATE

Many of you rely on this program and benefit from an extra check in the fall, which provides additional housing funds. This program is fully funded and those who are eligible will continue to receive this benefit upon completion of the required paperwork. Call the **Hotline at 860-418-6280**

TAX EXEMPTION ON RETIREE INCOME

I heard from many residents in our town that the rising cost of living was pushing them out of their homes, and the community they love. I am happy to say that we will increase the income thresholds by which taxpayers may deduct Social Security income, and phase out the pension and annuity tax.



RIGHTS OF NURSING HOME RESIDENTS EXPANDED

The COVID-19 Pandemic has made it increasingly difficult for families to visit their loved ones in nursing homes. That's why we expanded the rights of nursing home residents and ensured that they can use technology to facilitate virtual visits with family and friends.

LONG TERM CARE INSURANCE

We increased the strength of consumer protections on long-term care insurance to prevent significant, unexpected rate increases, and ensured more affordable options are available.

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Ridgefield Senior Center

203-431-2764

Agency on Aging for Ridgefield

203-438-6165

Medicare

800-633-4227

Center for Medicare Advocacy

800-262-4414

Office of the Healthcare Advocate

866-466-4446

Department of Social Services

203-431-2777

The Elder Justice Hotline

860-808-5555

United Way Infoline (General Assistance)

Dial 2-1-1 or visit www.211ct.org

Dept. of Aging and Disability Services

860-424-5055

Founders Hall - Ridgefield

203-431-7000

Ridgefield Police Department

(Non-Emergency)

203-438-6531