



It was a busy first session and I seized every moment to learn about the process and procedures. I am proud of the work we have accomplished.

This legislative session featured big issues like lowering energy bills, childcare, and special education, as well as making sure we finalized a state budget – and we tackled them all.

Our budget provides a \$250 check for working families under the Earned Income Tax Credit guidelines and \$300 million to fund the childcare trust fund. This will help working families and families with young children financially, which will also help our local economy. We devote hundreds of millions of dollars to special education and approved comprehensive energy legislation to reduce electric bills for businesses and families, to help lift burdens off individuals like yourself and school districts who need assistance. We did all of this responsibly, and within our current guidelines.



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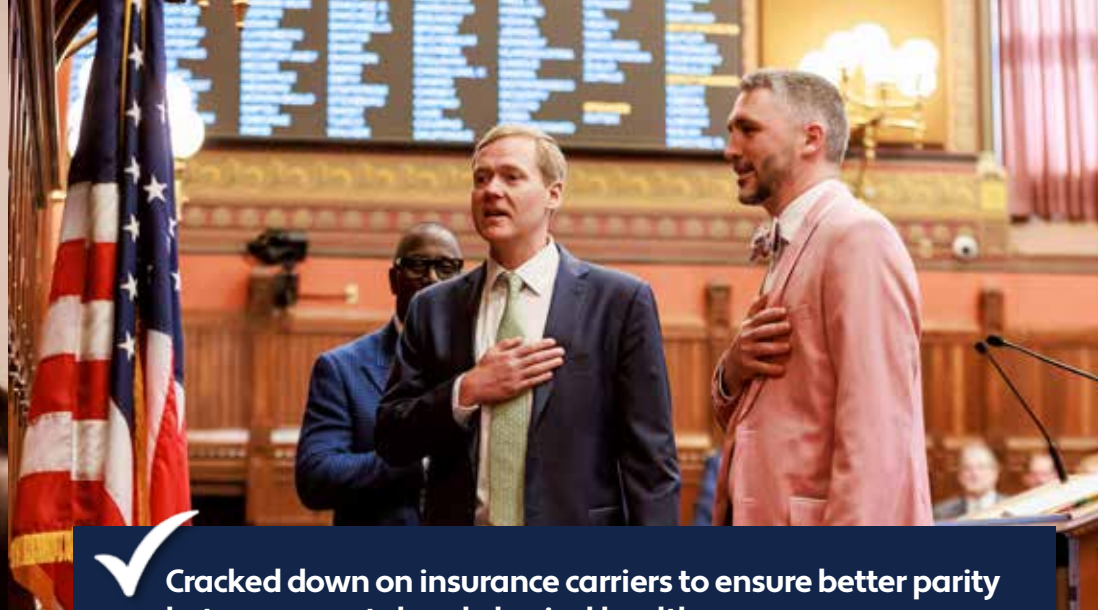
✓ Improved access to critical medications, including treatments for multiple sclerosis and rheumatoid arthritis.

SUPPORTING CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

- We established the Early Childhood Education Endowment starting with a downpayment of nearly \$300 million.
- By 2027, families earning up to \$100,000 will be able to receive childcare at no cost, while families earning more than \$100,000 will pay no more than 7% of their income for childcare.



✓ Cracked down on predatory towing - protecting renters and shoppers through greater transparency.



✓ Cracked down on insurance carriers to ensure better parity between mental and physical health coverage.



✓ Created more ways for the state to reduce premium hikes. Prohibited individual health care providers from denying care based on their individual beliefs.



✓ Required businesses, including landlords and car salesmen, to advertise all-in pricing and cracked down on hidden fees across industries.



✓ Made it easier to cancel a subscription over the phone.

OUR SINGLE-GREATEST INVESTMENT IN SPECIAL EDUCATION

- Established a new Special Education Expansion and Development (SEED) grant program based on school needs to help build local capacity so more students can be served closer to home.
- Ensured our reimbursement grant for high-needs students is funded at its highest level in Connecticut history.
- Established a new competitive grant to help districts provide more support locally.



✓ Tasked the state with examining the availability of mental health care services before and after birth, as well as identifying gaps in care.