



As your state representative for Groton, Mystic, and Stonington, I'm proud to share this end-of-session update on the work we accomplished together in 2025. Our focus this year was simple: deliver practical results for families and small businesses, strengthen coastal resilience, protect taxpayers, and keep government responsive to the needs of our district.

This year, we tackled big issues like lowering energy bills, childcare, special education, and the state budget. We delivered a \$250 child tax credit for working families, invested \$300 million in the new childcare trust fund, and committed major funding to special education while advancing key environmental measures—all while keeping strong fiscal guardrails in place.

I hope you enjoy the report, and please reach out to me anytime if I can be of help,



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HISTORIC INVESTMENTS IN SPECIAL EDUCATION

- Established Special Education Expansion and Development grants to build local capacity
- Record-level funding for high-needs students reimbursement
- Increased state support for local special education capital projects

PUTTING WORKING FAMILIES AND CHILDREN FIRST

PATHWAY TO UNIVERSAL PRE-K

- We established the Early Childhood Education Endowment, starting with a down payment of nearly \$300 million

FREE CHILDCARE

- 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

PROTECTING OUR ENVIRONMENT

- Committed to net-zero by 2050
- Boosted solar, heat pumps, and clean-energy jobs
- Strengthened flood-risk disclosure
- Advance resilience planning
- Limited harmful pesticides to protect pollinators



A STATE BUDGET THAT INVESTS IN YOUR PRIORITIES

- Our budget is the single greatest investment in childcare in Connecticut's history
- We delivered targeted, meaningful tax relief and long-term support for working families
- Our comprehensive energy reforms will mean lower bills and a smarter grid



Visiting the USS Virginia at the U.S. Naval Submarine Base with state commissioners to discuss Groton and our state's role in our national defense



As Vice Chair of the Environment Committee, I was proud to help advance and pass nine bills on the House floor