

DEPUTY MAJORITY LEADER & STATE REPRESENTATIVE

# JEFF CURREY

PROUDLY SERVING THE 11TH HOUSE DISTRICT



Dear Neighbor,

Thank you for continuing to provide me the privilege of representing you in the General Assembly. Following the 2020 COVID-19 “session-that-never-was” in which the work never stopped, we returned in 2021 to address new challenges and persistent injustices that have impacted residents throughout our great state. It is our hope and belief that through the passage of over 300 bills and resolutions, we have worked to empower and support our district, often through bipartisan efforts, to rebuild and reconnect.

Now more than ever, we have come to realize the importance of having up-to-date, factual, and straight-forward information. In addition to the happenings at the Capitol and COVID-19 information, our email blasts provide highlights and updates for our communities as well as employment opportunities in the region. While you may also follow my Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/JeffCurrey11](http://www.facebook.com/JeffCurrey11)), we would ask that you also sign up for updates at [www.house Dems.ct.gov/currey](http://www.house Dems.ct.gov/currey) or simply scan the QR code below with your phone’s camera to be taken to my home page and scroll down for a form where you can register for emails.

I am always happy to hear from you and want to be of support. Please feel free to call me anytime at home 860-528-8822 or the office 860-240-8500. Thank you for supporting and uplifting our neighbors and our communities this year. We don’t do any of this alone.

Very truly yours,

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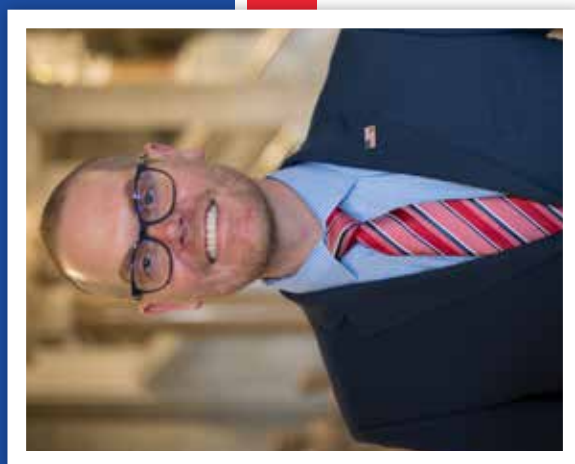
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## FOR THE SAFETY OF... POR LA SEGURIDAD...

OUR Children  
Nuestro Hijos

OUR Families  
Nuestras Familias

OUR Communities  
Nuestra Comunidad



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USE UNA MÁSCARA



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## CAPITOL UPDATE 2021

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## SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOLS, EDUCATORS, AND STUDENTS

...because education is foundational to success.

- Updated ECS funding to guarantee additional resources for communities (Special Act 21-15)
- Expanded childcare services for parents who are working on their education (PA 21-171)
- Created a new workforce pipeline program for individuals with disabilities (SA 21-10)
- Required the Paraeducator Council to develop career development pathways and updated professional development (PA 21-95)
- Educating parents/guardians on the signs of child sex abuse (PA 21-64) and required comprehensive background checks for athletic leagues and youth camps (PA 21-82)
- Improved sexual misconduct reporting, data collection, and our response to sexual assaults on CT college campuses (PA 21-81)

## STANDING UP FOR SENIORS

... because we all have the right to age with dignity.

- Fought age discrimination in the workplace – limited the need for your age and other dates on job applications (PA 21-69)
- Allowed towns to offer more seniors a break on their property taxes (PA 21-84)
- Strengthened rights for residents of long-term care facilities (PA 21-55)
- Ensured access to virtual visits and monitoring by loved ones for nursing home residents (PA 21-55)



## PUTTING YOUR HEALTH & SAFETY ON SOLID FOOTING

...because well-being matters.

- Expanded workers' comp benefits for PTSD to cover emergency responders, corrections workers, dispatchers and essential health care providers who were on the front lines of the COVID-19 pandemic (PA 21-107)
- Continued coverage and access to telehealth (PA 21-9)
- Ensured dental coverage for kids through their parent's plans, up to the age of 26 (PA 21-149)
- Blocked individuals that a court determines as high-risk from getting their hands on a gun (PA 21-67)
- Strengthened our domestic violence laws and ensured immediate cash assistance for victims and their families (PA 21-78)
- Secured an additional \$100 million for the continuation of crumbling foundation repairs and replacements (PA 21-2)



THE STATE BUDGET CUTS TAXES FOR MIDDLE CLASS AND WORKING CLASS FAMILIES, WHILE INVESTING IN OUR COMMUNITY AND SMALL BUSINESSES. IT BOOSTS FUNDING FOR SOCIAL SERVICES AFTER YEARS OF CUTS AND HELPS THOSE HIT HARDEST BY THE PANDEMIC.

## BUDGET SUMMARY

- ✓ BIPARTISAN
- ✓ NO TAX INCREASES
- ✓ TAX CUTS FOR THE MIDDLE CLASS
- ✓ \$3.5 BILLION RAINY DAY FUND
- ✓ FULLY FUNDS TOWNS

## DEMOCRACY FOR ALL

- » VOTERS WILL DECIDE IN 2022 IF WE HAVE EARLY, IN-PERSON VOTING AND IN 2024 IF EVERY VOTER WILL BE ABLE TO VOTE BY ABSENTEE BALLOT (RA 21-1 AND RA 21-2)
- » TWO HOURS OFF FROM WORK TO VOTE IN STATE AND FEDERAL ELECTIONS (PA 21-2)
- » PERMANENT DROP BOXES FOR ABSENTEE BALLOTS (PA 21-2)
- » PROTECTED PERSONAL INFORMATION (PA 21-2)

## A GREENER CONNECTICUT

...because our children deserve a healthy home.

- Regulated the harmful chemical "PFAS" (PA 21-191)
- Helped approve more anaerobic digesters on farms to address storm water runoff and food waste (PA 21-16) [Anaerobic digesters produce methane energy from organic material]
- Required more biodiesel in home heating oil and greater transparency for consumers (PA 21-181)
- Raised bottle deposits to 10 cents, applied deposits to more products and provided more money to towns and redemption centers to ensure these products don't wind up as litter or in a landfill (PA 21-58)
- Approved better clean-up procedures and notifications when there's a sewage spill (PA 21-42)



## RESPONDING TO COVID-19

...physically distant, socially connected.

- Cut Unemployment Insurance taxes on local businesses by excluding pandemic-related layoffs and contributed into the fund (PA 21-5 & 21-2)
- Strengthened numerous programs designed to keep people from losing their homes during tough times: foreclosure mediation, lien assistance and emergency mortgage assistance (PA 21-44)
- Guaranteed legal representation if you're facing eviction (PA 21-34)
- Increased funding to local health departments (PA 21-2)
- Ensuring our kids recover from this pandemic: expanded youth suicide prevention training, created more outpatient services for kids, required social emotional learning as part of professional development for teachers, continued virtual parent teacher conferences, addressed absenteeism in virtual learning, and ended lunch shaming when kids fall behind in paying for their school lunches (PA 21-46)

## RALLYING BEHIND THE LGBTQ+ COMMUNITY

...because representation matters, especially as one of only two openly gay legislators.

- Expanded state benefits for LGBTQ+ veterans (PA 21-79)
- LGBTQ+ and SOGIE studies are made available in the public school curriculum (PA 21-2)
- Strengthened the rights of families who are not biologically related and for parents who have children through the assistance of donors (PA 21-15)
- Enabled corrections to gender markers on marriage certificates (PA 21-121)
- Secured an additional \$500k for the LGBTQ Health and Human Services Network (PA 21-2)