Dear Neighbor,

The 2025 legislative session was a session of big ideas, bipartisan work, compromise, and solutions.

Connecticut is so different from Washington. Instead of drawing lines in the sand, we collaborate and have conversations with our legislative colleagues – and that can be seen in the work we do.

We focused on important issues in 2025. Addressing rising electric bills, a balanced state budget, establishing a top-to-bottom investment in special education, founding an early childhood investment fund, establishing an enhanced tax credit for families (based on EITC framework), and tackling climate change all received our laser focus.

I remain filled with deep gratitude and pride to be your State Representative. Please reach out with any questions!

All my best,





- Removed programmatic billing charges
- Created better oversight of new charges
- Capped infrastructure program costs
- Removed industry subsidies from our clean energy investments
- Shifted bad debt burdens from consumers to the state

Our comprehensive reforms will generate \$780M in cost savings over the next few years, resulting in reduced utility bills and a more efficient grid. This will contribute to a more prosperous future for Connecticut while maintaining its commitment to clean energy innovation.



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CAPITOL UPDATE 2025

BIG WINS FOR NORWALK & NEW CANAAN

- Addressed Energy Costs
- Provided Millions for Special Education
- Implemented a \$250 Tax Credit for Working Families
- Made Childcare More Affordable and Accessible





SUPPORTING SENIORS

- Mandated insurance coverage of biomarker testing for early cancer detection
- Strengthened background checks at long-term care facilities
- Provided free online college courses to our nursing home residents
- Required greater consideration of proximity to family members in resident transfers



STRENGTHENING SAFETY NET CARE

- Upgraded interpreter services for our residents who are Deaf, Deafblind, and hard of hearing
- Increased access to new birthing centers
- Facilitated access to care for terminally ill young adults
- Established inflationary increases of our nonprofit providers

INVESTING IN SPECIAL EDUCATION

- Founded the Special Education Expansion and Development (SEED) grant program (\$30M)
- Increased grant for high-needs students (\$221M)
- Established a new competitive grant for local services (\$10M)
- Increased capital improvements grants for districts (\$20M)



ADDRESSING AFFORDABILITY

- Implemented programs to lower the costs of prescription drugs
- Launched tax credit for employers who match college savings by employees
- Established first-time home buyers tax-free savings accounts
- Ensured fair rent commissions to curb egregious rent hikes

A BALANCED BUDGET: FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY

AMID WASHINGTON CHAOS

THANKS TO SOUND BUDGETING AND THE LEADERSHIP OF DEMOCRATS IN THE STATE LEGISLATURE, WE:

- Established Medicaid increases for providers and increased funding for Federally Qualified Health Centers
- Increased funding for group and nursing homes helping to settle a labor strike
- Provided cost of living increases to community nonprofit providers
- Continued services to support children's mental health - including funding our Urgent Crisis Centers

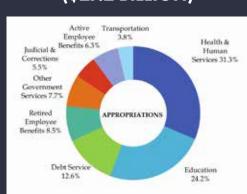
WE DELIVERED TARGETED, MEANINGFUL RELIEF AND LONG-TERM SUPPORT FOR WORKING FAMILIES THROUGH FAIRER TAX POLICIES:

- Established an enhanced tax credit for families
- Supported childcare providers
- Expanded capital for special education infrastructure
- Invested in our workforce and residents

SOURCES OF STATE REVENUE (\$27.2 BILLION)



WHERE YOUR DOLLARS GO (\$27.2 BILLION)



CARING FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

- Regulated the use of rodenticides
- Banned fertilizers that contain PFAS
- Established an extended producer responsibility program around the collection and recycling of batteries
- Set new state climate goals for greenhouse gas reduction
- Supported clean energy jobs through tax incentives

