

STANDING UP FOR CT CONSUMERS

- Required companies that charge you through an auto-renewal subscription to get your permission before charging you for the next billing cycle
- Insisted that companies that lease oil and fuel tanks remove them within 30 days after a customer cancellation
- Required mutual acknowledgement by a realtor and buyer when using an interpreter to close a sale and protect confidential information of any prospective buyer
- Protected precise geolocation data under our data privacy laws and created more stringent standards for targeted advertising to kids



Above: Rep. Morin Bello, Senator Gordon, Rep. Cook, ED of CT Nurses Association (CNA) Kimberly Sandor, Rep. Denning, President of CNA Susan Goncalves, and Vice President of CNA Mary Kate Eanniello presenting the Gubernatorial Proclamation for Nurses Day

Dear Neighbor,

It is a privilege and honor to serve as your state representative. The 2023 legislative session is now in the rearview mirror, and I wanted to take a moment to check in and share some highlights from the past several months.

I'm proud to have worked on a budget that delivers historic tax cuts and increased funding for students, families, and our most vulnerable residents, while paying down our long-term debt, including an additional \$2.072 billion in unfunded future pension liability.

Most importantly, we did it by working together – without gimmicks or partisan politics. We prioritized education, supported nonprofits, and invested in public safety.

I'd love to hear from you if you would like more details or have any questions on any of the initiatives addressed in this legislative update.

Sincerely,

NEW LAWS IN CT: A YEAR IN REVIEW

FROM STATE REPRESENTATIVE KEITH DENNING



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CAPITOL UPDATE 2023



BIG WINS FOR CONNECTICUT

- Largest tax cut in CT history
- More tax cuts on retirement income
- Historic funding for schools
- Massive deposit into Rainy Day Fund
- CT a beacon for reproductive healthcare
- Early voting starting in 2024
- Investment in growing healthcare workforce

OUR BIPARTISAN BUDGET INCLUDES **LARGEST TAX CUT IN STATE HISTORY**

- ✓ \$600 million middle class tax cut
- ✓ Increase **Earned Income Tax Credit** for lower income workers
- ✓ **Expanded income tax cuts on retirement income to benefit seniors**

INVESTS:

- ✓ More funding for K-12 education
- ✓ More funding for higher education
- ✓ More funding for nonprofits
- ✓ More funding for childcare



MAJOR INITIATIVES AFFECTING WILTON, RIDGEFIELD AND NEW CANAAN

MAKING CT SAFER

- Protected consumer health data by restricting its access and sale and banned targeted ads near mental health and reproductive health facilities
- Expanded GPS monitoring of domestic violence offenders
- Made it illegal for adults to solicit photos and videos from kids online, even if they're not explicitly sexual
- Required bright orange labels on prescription opiates
- Required trained EMTs to carry and use EpiPens
- Modernized our blight laws and extended local enforcement to commercial properties

GROWING THE PROFESSIONAL HEALTHCARE WORKFORCE

- Encouraging careers in our K-12 schools, offering nursing licenses at our colleges, and creating opportunities among our existing personal care attendant workforce
- Incentivizing licensed providers with 10 years' experience to become adjunct faculty at CT colleges and universities
- Limited the use of noncompete agreements for physicians, nurses, and physician assistants
- Streamlined licensing for nurses and physical therapists who move to CT

BUILDING A SKILLED WORKFORCE

- Expanded school-based apprenticeship opportunities in aviation and aerospace, training for future paraeducators, and dual credit/enrollment opportunities
- Created prosecutor apprenticeships for legal interns
- Created tax credits and incentives for towns and businesses that build workforce housing, including for teachers, police officers, and firefighters

SUPPORTING WORKERS & SMALL BUSINESSES

- Required full disclosure of hidden fees on small business loans, ensured access to judicial hearings in a dispute, and required any loan offers to be good for at least three days
- Cut the number of reporting requirements for businesses
- Allowed existing cigar bars and clubs in our larger cities to serve alcohol
- Permanently allowed restaurants to sell alcohol for off-site consumption
- Supported CT farm wineries by allowing them to open up to three retail locations