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CT Moving Towards No Tax on Social Security or Pensions

Dear neighbors,

The vast majority of Connecticut's seniors pay no state income tax on their Social Security currently. Most Connecticut seniors will pay less and less income tax on pension and annuity incomes until 2025, when they will pay no income tax on Social Security pension and annuity income.

As of January 1, 2019, Connecticut stopped collecting income taxes on Social Security for 1.) individuals having less than \$75,000 in annual income and 2.) couples having less than \$100,000 in annual income.

January 1, 2019 is the date Connecticut stopped collecting income taxes on 14% of pension and annuity incomes using the same income limits as above. This percentage will increase by 14% per year until 2025, when all pension and annuity income will be exempt from state income taxation for those people under the income limits.

I hope this, and the information on the back of this mailer will be helpful to you. Please call my office with any questions or concerns.

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Beware of Utility Scammers

The number of incidences of utility scams is growing. These scammers go door to door or make phone calls to utility customers posing as legitimate representatives of Eversource. Eversource and the Better Business Bureau teamed up and made a list of recommendations on how to avoid falling for one of these scams.

Tips to help avoid becoming a victim:

- Eversource representatives never demand instant payment over the phone, require the use of pre-paid debit cards or request customers meet at a payment center to make the payment.
- Never provide personal financial or account information to any unsolicited person on the phone, at the door or online, even if they seem legitimate.
- Beware; some sophisticated scammers can manipulate their caller ID to say the caller is with Eversource.
- Customers who are scheduled for disconnection due to nonpayment receive a written notice that includes information on how to maintain their service.
- Customers can verify they are speaking with an Eversource representative by asking for some basic information about their account like the name on the account, the account address, and the exact past due balance

Eversource urges anyone who has doubts about the legitimacy of a call, visit or an offer, to contact the company directly at 1-800-286-2000. Eversource.com provides more information on how to protect personal information and avoid being a victim of utility scams.



Representative Genga recognizes K9 Veterans Day on the floor of the House.