

Big Ideas To Make Life Easier

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

As the legislature works to address our state's budgetary challenges, issues impacting ordinary families remain my top priority.

Lately, it seems the deck is stacked higher and higher against families. It is not just one problem, but a whole host of factors that are making it difficult for ordinary families to stay afloat. Wages are stagnating, retirement is increasingly precarious, and too many parents have to choose between caring for a sick child and a day's wages.

This session, I've been working with my colleagues in the legislature to tackle these and many other issues to help level the playing field and provide opportunity for success for ordinary citizens.

Please know you may contact me with any questions or concerns by calling 860-240-8585.

Sincerely,



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Paid Family Leave

Workers should be able to take medical leave to take care of a family member without worrying about losing their jobs. It is time to expand paid family leave options to all workers, so no one is penalized for taking care of family members when it is most needed. New initiatives are being designed to meet this goal without placing an undue burden on small businesses.

Automatic Voter Registration

A healthy democracy removes barriers that keep people from voting. I would like to see Connecticut join Oregon and California in passing a law to automatically register people to vote when they get their driver's license or state identification. The law would include an opt-out for those who choose not to register to vote.

Public Retirement Savings Plan

Currently, there are approximately 600,000 workers in Connecticut who do not have access to an employer-sponsored retirement plan. This year, I'm advocating for a public retirement savings plan that would help solve this problem. The Connecticut Retirement Security Board has said it is financially feasible for the state to provide a voluntary retirement savings program for private sector workers who do not have access to one, at no cost to taxpayers.



*Representative Haddad
at the building of the
new community playground.*