

The 2026 legislative session addressed a wide range of issues affecting Connecticut residents, businesses, and municipalities. Among other accomplishments, we made significant investments in our police, fire, EMS, veterans, teachers, and healthcare workers, increased support for municipalities and schools, and worked to ease the burden on property taxpayers.

I was also proud to help lead legislation to improve the quality of life in our communities, strengthening public transportation, and protect Connecticut small businesses from predatory lenders.

This newsletter highlights these and other legislative accomplishments from the 2026 session.

Enjoy!

Sincerely,



FOUGHT BACK AGAINST ABUSE BY ICE

- Allowed residents to sue ICE agents when their constitutional rights are violated
- Empowered our Attorney General and Inspector General to intervene on behalf of our residents
- Created a statewide ban on federal agents wearing masks
- Banned federal troops from coming to Connecticut against our wishes
- Strengthened minimum training standards of police
- Stopped local police from hiring ICE agents who lost their jobs because of misconduct
- Prevented traffic camera data from being used for immigration enforcement



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CAPITOL UPDATE 2026

STAMFORD \$ FUNDING

- \$28.6M total funding from the budget
- \$16M to ECS (Education)
- \$2M for Urgent Crisis Center in Stamford Hospital
- \$300K for Stamford Public Education Foundation
- \$8.6M for Julia A. Stark Elementary for school construction
- \$20K for Boys & Girls Club of Stamford
- \$7.3M for Children’s Learning Center
- \$6M for St John Towers Demolition



PROTECTING SMALL
BUSINESSES FROM
PREDATORY LENDERS

- I was honored to receive national recognition for my effort to stop what are effectively payday loans for our small businesses. While there’s more work to be done next year for this to become law, we can’t have predatory lenders exploiting our neighboring businesses by freezing bank accounts without judicial oversight.



PROTECTING
OUR TENANTS

- I continue to fully support legislation to protect tenants from unethical landlords, and was proud to introduce legislation aimed at protecting residents who have been wrongfully locked out of their premises.
- We do need more housing in Stamford, but we can’t do it alone! We need our neighboring towns to carry their weight.

MAKING CONNECTICUT
MORE
AFFORDABLE

WE PRIORITIZED MAKING
CONNECTICUT MORE AFFORDABLE FOR
WORKING FAMILIES:

- Made basic school supplies tax-free, including backpacks, lunchboxes, notebooks, pens, pencils, crayons, rulers and paper
- Created a family caregiver tax credit for residents caring for a loved one
- Delivered on our promise to support early childhood education by investing \$300 million in the Early Childhood Education Endowment



MADE OUR ROADS SAFER AND
IMPROVED OUR QUALITY OF LIFE

- Modernized traffic lanes to mitigate congestion
- Doubled the penalty for excessively loud mufflers
- Modernized our distracted driving laws
- Promoted equity by funding free bus fare for seniors and veterans