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It is a privilege to again be representing you at the Capitol. It is an honor to have been named Assistant Majority Whip of House Democrats and Vice Chair of the Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee by legislative leadership.

As the 2013 legislative session begins, I keep in mind the hardships we've endured together over the past year: the tragedy in Newtown, Superstorm Sandy, and a state budget deficit, to name a few.

There are more tough choices ahead and I need your help to make the right ones for our community and our state. With your input we can solve our state's problems together, and keep protecting the residents of New Haven and East Haven.

I wish to reiterate that I am here to listen to your suggestions and protect your interests.

Roland Lemar

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New State Wide Energy Strategy

Generating Connecticut's first state wide comprehensive energy strategy and examining the everrising utility costs for residents and businesses will be a top priority. Better preparation and response to major storms, creating micro-power grids, exploring renewable energy sources and continuing the state's march to clean energy are issues to be worked on in the coming months.

Transportation Improvements

Connecticut's transportation system is the engine that powers the state's economy. Our investments in high-speed rail along the I-91/95 corridor as well as our commitment to light rail and other mass transit options across the state will help get vehicles off our crowded roads and keep commerce moving. Our push to modernize our roads and bridges and squeeze the federal government for every transportation dollar available will enhance the state's appeal to business and residents alike.

Job Growth

To keep Connecticut economically competitive with neighboring states, we must further support business growth and job creation. Attracting businesses, training workers and providing incentives for them to remain in the state translates into a healthier local economy and better job opportunities. Consolidating and increasing tax credits for new hires, investing in emerging technologies and providing more employment for our veterans have shown great success but more needs to be done. Building a better educated workforce and a more business-friendly climate will allow Connecticut to thrive for the future.



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