Dear Neighbor,

The 2025 legislative session featured big issues like lowering energy bills, childcare, special education and the state budget – and we tackled them all.

Our budget provides a \$250 check to working families under EITC guidelines and \$300 million to fund the childcare trust fund. We devoted hundreds of millions of dollars to special education and we approved comprehensive energy legislation to reduce electric bills for businesses and families.

"Connecticut will be poised to continue saving hundreds of millions of dollars annually to continue paying down its hefty pension debt at an accelerated pace."

-CT Mirror

And we did it responsibly. This newsletter has more details about the 2025 legislative session.

Enjoy,





If you would like to join me for our next recording you can contact my office.



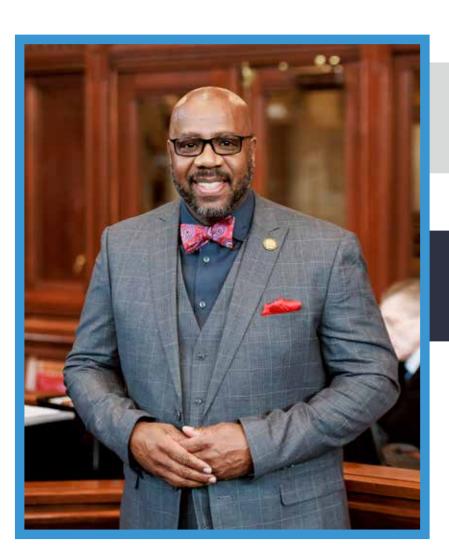
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**CAPITOL UPDATE 2025** 

## BIG WINS FOR NEW LONDON

- Cut Your Electric Bill
- Provided Millions for Special Education
- \$250 Tax Credit for Working Families
- Made Childcare More Affordable and Accessible







#### PROTECTING OUR CHILDREN

- Stopped the practice of handcuffing kids under 14.
- Strengthened penalties for stores that sell cannabis to a minor.
- Made it easier for kids that age out of foster care to access services, including special education programs.



#### TAKING PUBLIC SAFETY SERIOUSLY

- Made it illegal to ever privatize a prison in Connecticut.
- Increased the penalties for reckless driving or failing to yield to a pedestrian.
- Made DUI convictions affect both drivers' and boating licenses.



#### SERVING ALL OF CT RESIDENTS

- Enabled more state support staff to administer EpiPen and insulin in the event of an emergency.
- Made it easier for family members to help manage assets.
- Strengthened our abuse and neglect registry.



#### WORKING FOR CT WORKERS

- Expanded coverage under the Firefighters Cancer Relief Program to include skin cancer.
- Required construction workers to be paid the prevailing wage for offsite fabrication work in plumbing, heating, cooling, pipefitting, ventilation, and exhaust duct systems closing a loophole that some contractors were using to commit wage theft.



#### HONORING OUR VETERANS

- Provided no-cost driver's license renewals for veterans, and required the DMV to issue vouchers for veterans whose licenses are close to their expiration date.
- Building off our 2024 law, we granted towns some new options to expand property tax exemptions for veterans and Gold Star families.



# A BALANCED BUDGET AND OUR SECOND-LARGEST

**SURPLUS IN STATE HISTORY** 

#### THANKS TO SOUND BUDGETING AND THE LEADERSHIP OF DEMOCRATS IN THE STATE LEGISLATURE WE:

- Delivered Single Greatest Investment in Children in Connecticut's History
- Made Historic Investments in Special Education: \$383,420 For New London

## WE DELIVERED TARGETED, MEANINGFUL RELIEF AND LONG-TERM SUPPORT FOR WORKING FAMILIES THROUGH FAIRER TAX POLICIES:

- Established an Enhanced Tax Credit for Families
- Supported Childcare Providers
- Helped Families Save For College
- Expanded Capital for Special Education Infrastructure
- Invested in Our Workforce and Residents





### MAKING OUR COMMUNITIES STRONGER

- Prevented people from being foreclosed on for small, missed sewer payments.
- Reduced red tape for converting vacant commercial property to housing.
- Made it easier for towns to enforce housing code violations.
- Required developers to finish their work in a timely manner, rather than leaving projects half-finished for years.
- Required all studies submitted for a development, disclose who paid for them and any conflicts of interest.