## REP. PARKER: FIGHTING FOR CONNECTICUT'S FUTURE



"Investing in Madison and Durham today will pay dividends tomorrow." – John-Michael Parker

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Legislative Office Building, Hartford, CT 06106-1591 Phone: 860-240-8585 Email: JohnMichael.Parker@cga.ct.gov www.housedems.ct.gov/Parker While our communities have faced devastating hardship this year, we are beginning to see brighter days ahead. In addition to a historically strong financial position with our surging Rainy Day Fund and shrinking budget gap over the next two years, Connecticut has a unique opportunity to leverage federal funding and make the types of targeted investments that our economy needs to ensure all Madison and Durham residents can fully recover and get on a path to prosperity.

Over the past five months we've been working hard on legislation that will strengthen education, expand healthcare, better support our seniors, take care of our environment, and help all aspects of our economy respond to COVID-19.

I've highlighted a few proposals that we've advanced in the House—and a few local initiatives I'm working on—that will move these priorities forward.

Please reach out to me at any time for more information.

-John-Michael

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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE FROM STATE REPRESENTATIVE JOHN-MICHAEL PARKER

### **INVESTING IN OUR FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES**

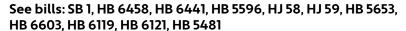
- Ensuring comprehensive access to mental, behavioral, and physical health care in response to the pandemic-including the use of telehealth services
- Extending property tax relief for seniors
- Empowering municipalities to adapt to climate change
- Bringing together local stakeholders to discuss youth mental health

#### STRENGTHENING OUR CIVIC INSTITUTIONS-AND OUR DEMOCRACY

- Expanding voting access through no-excuse absentee ballots and early voting
- Strengthening the legislature's role in public health and civil preparedness emergencies
- Launching the bipartisan Connecticut Future Caucus to bring together legislators from across the aisle to solve issues facing future generations

### **GROWING CT'S ECONOMY**

- Supporting the arts, culture, and tourism industry
- Creating a workforce development pipeline for persons with disabilities
- Providing access to capital for women and minority-owned businesses







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