

2023 SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

- Restarting the Economy
- Investing in:
 - People
 - Education
 - Healthcare
 - Veterans



Dear Neighbor:

It is a privilege and honor to serve as your state representative. The 2023 legislative session is now in the rearview mirror, and I wanted to take a moment to check in and share some highlights from the past several months.

I am proud to have worked on a budget that delivers historic tax cuts and increased funding for students, families, and our most vulnerable residents, while paying down our long-term debt, including an additional \$2.072 billion in unfunded future pension liability.

Most importantly, we did it by working together – without gimmicks or partisan politics. We prioritized education, supported non-profits, and invested in public safety without the fighting you see in Washington.

I would love to hear from you if you would like more details or have any questions on any of the initiatives addressed in this legislative update, so please don't hesitate to email or call me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael D. Quinn".

NEW LAWS IN CT: A YEAR IN REVIEW

FROM STATE REPRESENTATIVE MICHAEL D. QUINN



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CAPITOL UPDATE 2023



BIG WINS FOR MERIDEN

- Largest tax cuts in CT history
- Cut more taxes on retirement income
- Historic funding for schools
- Massive deposit into Rainy Day Fund
- CT a beacon for reproductive healthcare
- Modern voting system with early voting
- Growing the healthcare workforce

OUR BIPARTISAN BUDGET INCLUDES THE LARGEST TAX CUT IN STATE HISTORY

- ✔ Provides a \$600 million middle class tax cut
- ✔ Increases **Earned Income Tax Credit** for lower income workers
- ✔ Expands cuts to retirement savings to **benefit seniors**

INVESTS:

- ✔ More funding for K-12 education
- ✔ More funding for higher education
- ✔ More funding for nonprofits
- ✔ More funding for childcare
- ✔ More funding for Meriden



MAJOR INITIATIVES AFFECTING MERIDEN

STANDING UP FOR CT CONSUMERS

- Restricted more types of telemarketing calls, texts, and social media solicitations and limited the hours that telemarketing can take place
- Demanded TV and cable companies give you a prorated refund if you cancel before the end of your billing cycle
- Responded to inflation by freezing scheduled increases on the diesel tax- helping lower the cost of groceries and other commodities

INVESTING IN EDUCATION

- Over \$240 million in public education funding for the 2024-2025 school year
- \$7.2 million in new funding for vocational agriculture programs
- Created student loan subsidies for paraeducators and school counselors in our lowest-performing districts, for police officers in distressed municipalities and for emergency medical service personnel

BUILDING A SKILLED WORKFORCE

- Expanded school-based apprenticeship opportunities in aviation and aerospace, training for future paraeducators, and dual credit/enrollment opportunities
- Created tax credits and incentives for towns and businesses that build workforce housing, including for teachers, police officers, and firefighters
- Encouraging careers in our K-12 schools, offering nursing licenses at our colleges, and creating opportunities among our existing personal care attendant workforce

IMPROVING HEALTHCARE

- Expanded pharmacy services to include vaccine administration of CDC immunizations, testing for COVID, flu, and HIV, and providing prescriptions for preventative HIV treatment
- Expanded workers' comp coverage for anyone who experiences PTSD at work
- Established funding and benefits for firefighters who are diagnosed with cancer