

2013 Legislative Preview

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

It is an honor to serve as your representative in the Connecticut General Assembly. I am pleased to announce that I have been appointed to serve as Vice Chair of the Judiciary Committee, a member of the Banks Committee and a member of the Planning & Development Committee.

Please keep in touch and contact me should you have any issues or concerns this session. I know that with your input and support, we can address the most pressing needs of our community.

Thank you for granting me the honor of representing you. Best wishes for a happy and healthy 2013!

Sincerely,

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Protecting Services in the State Budget

The fiscal crisis that has affected many Connecticut families has also weakened the financial condition of the state. However, I will be working to find efficiencies and savings in various programs while still protecting the funding for services affecting our most vulnerable citizens.

Gun Safety

Gun safety is an issue that is very important to our state and district. The tragic events that recently took place in Newtown shook all of us. Unfortunately it once again opened our eyes to the pressing and ongoing need to address gun violence and crime prevention to make our schools, communities and families safe. I will be working diligently to pass legislation to achieve these goals.



Education

We must strive to make our schools a top priority in 2013 as they face new challenges. Last session, the legislature passed historic educational reforms, and now we must continue the work of implementing those important changes. A new policy we will be considering is universal preschool education which will level the playing field for students of all socio-economic backgrounds.

Job Growth is Job #1

To keep Connecticut economically competitive with neighboring states, we must further support business growth and job creation by attracting businesses, training workers and providing incentives for them to remain in the state. Building a more educated workforce and a more business-friendly climate will allow Connecticut to thrive in the future.

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