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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE - MARCH 2019

Dear Neighbors and Friends,

The 2019 Legislative Session is off to a busy start. Here are some of the bills I am supporting and some other items that may interest you. As always, it is a pleasure and honor to represent you at the State Capitol. Please contact my office with any questions or if I may be of assistance.

Sincerely,

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SUPPORTING PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

I attended the annual "Have a HARC Day" at the Legislative Office Building to hear from families and advocates for those who have special needs. It was a great display of all the people involved and their continued support for the disabled community. I am also working towards implementing Governor Lamont's budget recommendations for the Department of Aging and Disability Services. As a State, we should continue to work together to provide support to people with all types of disabilities.

PAID FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE

Paid family medical leave helps Connecticut residents care for their newborn children or a sick or aging loved one by providing income to cover lost wages. Connecticut can help lead the way by supporting this important legislation and add a level of security for workers in our state.

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EARLY VOTING

We make it far too difficult to vote in this State. Connecticut voters should be able to vote early, just as voters are allowed to do in at least 37 other states in our country. We need to provide voters with an election system that recognizes modern lifestyles, integrates new technologies and new ways to deliver services.

MONEY FOR LIGHTS ON THE HARTFORD HIGH SCHOOL FIELD

I was able to secure \$1 million of State funding for improvements to the football field at Hartford Public High School. By upgrading the athletic field and providing enhanced lighting to the facility, students that attend the school as well as those involved in youth organizations in the City will be able to enjoy the field. With there being only a handful of fields in the City, the lighting will allow more individuals and teams to use the facility.



Matt led the Hartford Public High School Football team on a tour of the House Chamber