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The 2011 session is underway and the legislature has its hands full working to address the state budget crisis and encouraging job growth.

While these issues are my main priority and dominate the headlines, there are other important bills I support that impact our community that you should be aware of.

As always, please don't hesitate to contact me with your thoughts and ideas.

Sincerely,

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AFFORDABLE, QUALITY HEALTH CARE

This session, look for the legislature to further reduce the cost of health care. These costs are an enormous hardship on individuals and families, and they are hindering business development and job growth in our state. In particular, I look forward to supporting a health care bill that will allow small businesses and municipalities to join the state pool to purchase quality, affordable health insurance, saving them and the state millions of dollars.

HELPING SENIORS WITH GROCERY BILLS

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), the old Food Stamp program, has expanded its income requirements and benefit amounts, making it easier for more seniors to qualify for and afford their groceries. A household of two can earn up to \$2,248 monthly and still qualify for assistance. More information is available at: www.ct.gov/SNAP | 800.742.6906

EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT (EITC)

I am proud to support Connecticut's new Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) that will provide much needed financial help to many low-income workers in the state. This tax credit is part of the two year budget we agreed on with the governor and effective for the tax year starting January 1, 2011. The credit is 30 percent of the federal EITC and provides credits of \$137 to \$1,700 for single heads of households with incomes of between \$5,950 and \$16,500 and up to \$21,500 for joint tax filers. This will mean close to \$2 million for my district, meaning added revenue for local working families here in New Britain.

BULLYING

In November, the state's Commission on Children held a forum on bullying and cyber-bullying and their effects on school performance, self-esteem and mental health. This session, I am working on legislation to teach educators and parents about cyber-bullying, establishing clear policies to prevent, identify and address it.

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