



Dear Neighbor,

I take serving our community seriously, which is why I worked for every New Britain and Newington resident this session.

We made the biggest tax cuts in CT's history to put more money back into your pockets. We established a fully funded, first-of-its-kind mental health program to ensure all our kids are safe and have the resources they need. We offered additional relief to local businesses and restaurants so they can keep their doors open despite facing numerous challenges throughout the pandemic.

All our efforts this year work to make life easier for you, even in the face of historically trying times. I am proud to make these critical investments in our community while maintaining CT's fiscal responsibility and integrity for the future.

## 2022 SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

- Cutting Taxes to Combat Historic Inflation
- Bolstering Reproductive Freedoms
- Keeping CT Safe with Juvenile Justice Reform
- Maintaining CT's Future Fiscal Integrity
- Addressing Children's Mental Health Needs
- Creating Environmentally Conscious Initiatives



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# I VOTED TO CUT YOUR TAXES

OUR STATE BUDGET INCLUDES

## \$650 MILLION IN TAX RELIEF

- ✔ Creates a Child Tax Credit
- ✔ Cuts property taxes for retirees
- ✔ Cuts the car tax
- ✔ Extends the gas tax cut
- ✔ Extends free bus service
- ✔ Ends pension and annuity tax
- ✔ Invests in healthcare workers

### LARGEST TAX CUT IN CT HISTORY

- Cut taxes by over \$650 million
- Increased state income tax credit for property owners - from \$200 to \$300
- Increased the Earned Income Tax Credit for the 2023 tax year, cutting taxes for our neediest families
- Eliminated pension and annuity taxes for retirees making less than \$75k/year
- Secured one-time childcare rebate of \$250 per child, up to three children
- Capped car taxes at 32.46 mills
- Expanded student loan payment tax credit – allowing employers to assist their workers with loan repayment
- Cut state gas tax to zero through December 1, 2022

### CARING FOR OUR KIDS

#### GIVING SCHOOLS THE TOOLS THEY NEED TO SUCCEED

- Approved state tax credit for childcare
- Doubled grants to school districts for bilingual education
- Made meaningful Investments in Childcare
- Increased funding for infant and toddler care programs
- Increased pay to childcare workers to attract and retain more educators
- Expanded successful Birth to Three Program
- Assisted local childcare facilities with renovation costs
- Helped obtain \$2.5 million for Boys & Girls Club for updates and renovations to Camp Schade
- Obtained \$150k for non-profit organizations that benefit our kids in New Britain and Newington

### GROWING OUR ECONOMY

#### HELPING RESIDENTS LAND GOOD-PAYING, HIGH-DEMAND JOBS

- Expanded successful Manufacturing Pipeline program
- Increased work opportunities for young adults
- Provided parents and students with more occupational opportunities and helped schools partner with more local businesses
- Allowed high school graduates to access low-interest loans for attending occupational training programs.
- Established student loan reimbursement program for in demand health care and mental health workers
- Expanded the debt-free community college program to more first-time, part-time students



### PROTECTING OUR ENVIRONMENT

Expanded eligibility for participation in the state's brownfield remediation program to include companies who lease a property with an intent to own. This will expand our efforts to help cities and towns address their Brownfields.

### MAKING CT MORE EQUITABLE

Required towns with over 25,000 residents to establish a local fair rent commission. These commissions will respond to tenant complaints about excessively harsh rent increases and lack of code enforcement by a landlord or property manager.



### PUBLIC SAFETY INITIATIVES

#### RESPONDED TO JUVENILE CRIME, AUTO THEFTS AND PANDEMIC-RELATED CRIME DIVERSION:

- Made it harder to resell catalytic converters
- Invested in Youth Service Bureaus and Juvenile Review Boards
- Increased work opportunities for young adults
- Expanded alternatives to incarceration

### ACCESS TO QUALITY HEALTH CARE

#### FIGHTING FOR REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS

Our state remains a safe haven for an individual's right to choose. We set the standard in the nation to not mess with CT on reproductive rights by bolstering and establishing protections for both those seeking abortions and those who provide such services.

- Expanded eligibility to perform abortion care to include advanced nurse practitioners, nurse midwives, and physician assistants
- Blocked Texas and other aggressive states from targeting CT patients, doctors and advocates
- Protected medical privacy by preventing the disclosure of medical information related to reproductive healthcare that is legal in Connecticut
- Protected individuals from extradition to other states for seeking, providing, or assisting others in obtaining reproductive healthcare that is legal in Connecticut
- Provided relief to those targeted by other states by allowing them to sue to recover damages, attorney fees, or costs related lawsuits