



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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph Serra". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "S".



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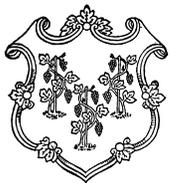
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INCREASING FUNDING FOR SCHOOLS

Last year, I supported legislation that took significant steps in bolstering Connecticut's application for Race to the Top funding from Washington. This year we will revisit some of the measures that were put into place to ensure that our municipalities can afford them. With new leadership from Governor Malloy we are also working on ways to secure additional federal education funds.

VETERANS TUITION ASSISTANCE

This session I am proud to support a bill that would waive tuition fees at Charter Oak State College for wartime military veterans and members of the Connecticut National Guard. The brave men and women who keep us safe deserve the best educational opportunities that we can provide.

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

ALLOWING SENIORS TO STAY IN THEIR HOMES

In an effort to allow more seniors to remain independent in their own homes rather than nursing homes, I supported legislation expanding access to affordable homecare support and personal care assistance services. For more information about the Connecticut Home Care Program for the Elderly, please contact me.

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