



Dear Neighbor,

I am proud to share some of the major highlights from the 2022 legislative session.

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

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

I hope you find this newsletter packed with useful information. It is my pleasure to serve as your state representative.

All my best,

Peter Tercyak

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2022 SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

- Addressing Children’s Mental Health Needs
- Cutting Taxes to Combat Historic Inflation
- Keeping CT Safe with Juvenile Justice Reform
- Making CT More Affordable for Residents
- Creating Environmentally Conscious Initiatives
- Maintaining CT’s Future Fiscal Integrity

STANDING UP FOR WORKERS

- Toughened the penalty for public contractors who underpay or withhold wages and benefits, created a public registry of those individuals, and established a process for revoking the licenses of repeat offenders.
- Protected the rights of employees against being required to attend meetings solely on the employer’s religious or political views
- Expanded access to special relief funding for specific front-line workers who had to work during COVID and got sick as a result.
- Helped certain front-line essential employees from the private sector access premium pay if they had worked through the pandemic.

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



IMPROVING ACCESS TO QUALITY HEALTH CARE

- Allowed pharmacists, in collaboration with doctors, to adjust more medications without requiring as many in-person visits.
- Established a statewide stroke registry.
- Strengthened the state’s intervention and response to lead poisoning and prevention.
- Increased funding for The Hospital for Special Care, which does not get the same schedule of state support as our general hospitals.
- Expanded screenings for breast and cervical cancer.
- Ensured more psychiatric treatment beds.
- Continued telehealth options.



MAKING CONNECTICUT MORE EQUITABLE

- Required towns with over 25,000 residents to establish a local fair rent commission to respond to tenant complaints about excessive rent increases and landlords not abiding by the housing code.
- Increased health care coverage to undocumented immigrant children, up to age 12.
- Honored our commitment to body cameras, police accountability and our new Clean Slate laws.
- Increased business development funding for minority-owned businesses.
- Expanded minority teacher scholarships.
- Invested in affordable housing.
- Doubled funding for bilingual education.
- Required most publicly owned facilities to provide free menstrual products.