

Dear Neighbor,

It remains a privilege and honor to serve as your state representative. The 2023 legislative session is in the rearview mirror, and I wanted to take a moment to check in and share some highlights from the past several months.

We worked hard to deliver a budget that adheres to our fiscal guardrails while still providing hundreds of millions in more funding to our local schools, colleges and universities, and services for our most vulnerable residents. As part of our historic tax cuts, families of four who make \$50,000 or less annually will pay no state income taxes. This is another important step in making CT affordable for everyone.

We did it by working together - without the fighting you see in Washington.

I'd love to hear from you if you would like more details or have any questions on the initiatives addressed in this legislative update.

Sincerely,

Representative Jane Garibay

WORKING TOGETHER, MEETING THE NEEDS OF CONSTITUENTS

- Listen - I love chatting and listening to the people in my communities!
- Learn - It is by listening that I learn about what is important to you!
- Act - Being available to listen to the opinions and concerns of the people of Windsor and Windsor Locks is so important because I can act as a resource, assisting with your issues or guiding you to the right resources within our state agencies.



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STATE REPRESENTATIVE JANE GARIBAY CAPITOL UPDATE 2023

2023 SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

- Passed landmark legislation to help our seniors thrive
- Supported tax relief for retirees
- Standing up for consumers
- Expanded workforce in the healthcare profession
- Relief for veterans and others who serve



SUPPORTING OUR SENIORS



As the co-chair of the Aging Committee, I fought for bills that prioritize transparency, accountability and support for the elderly population in Connecticut. On July 11th, Governor Lamont signed into law Aging Committee bills HB 6677 and HB 5781 at the Caring Connection Adult Day Center in Windsor. These bills bring transparency to nursing homes, move home care agencies from the Department of Consumer Protection to the Department of Public Health, add a Dementia Services Coordinator, protect seniors from involuntary discharge from a facility, lower the age for dementia services for adult day centers and more.

We were able to make great accomplishments in the last legislative session, but we have more work to do. Please reach out to me with your stories and experiences so that we can create better legislation to meet the needs of our community. Help us “Beat the Drum” and give voice to our seniors!



ELIMINATED MORE TAXES ON RETIREMENT

- Current law exempts 100% of pension and annuity income from the state’s income tax, and we are halfway to phasing out 100% of IRA income for those making \$75,000 or less annually (\$100,000 for joint filers)
- We extended these exemptions to taxpayers making up to \$100,000 (\$150,000 for joint filers) by phasing-out the deduction between 2.5% and 100%, depending on your income
- For IRA deductions for the 2024 and 2025 tax years, the deduction percentage applies to the portion of income the law allows as a deduction, not to all IRA income



STANDING UP FOR CT CONSUMERS

- Required companies that charge you through an auto-renewal subscription to get your permission before charging you for the next billing cycle
- Restricted more types of telemarketing calls, texts and social media solicitations and limited the hours that telemarketing can take place
- Prohibited utility companies from passing off their lobbying and marketing expenses through rate hikes

SERVING THOSE WHO SERVED

- Granted free graduate school tuition to eligible veterans and their families, as well as active members of the National Guard
- Eased licensing requirements for childcare providers who serve military families
- Established funding and benefits for firefighters who are diagnosed with cancer

GROWING THE HEALTHCARE WORKFORCE

- Encouraging careers in our K-12 schools, offering nursing licenses at our colleges, and creating opportunities among our existing personal care attendant workforce
- Incentivizing licensed providers with 10 years experience to become adjunct faculty at CT colleges and universities
- Limiting the use of noncompete agreements for physicians, nurses and physician assistants
- Streamlining licensing for nurses and physical therapists who move to CT
- Partnering with other states for clinical training opportunities