

Senate Passes Budget with **NO TAX INCREASES**

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**“By passing the no tax
hike budget, lawmakers
will begin the process
of getting Connecticut’s
fiscal house in order”**

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This year, I supported and helped pass a budget with no new taxes. The budget makes long-term spending cuts, consolidates government, institutes fiscal reforms and reduces state employee benefits.



**Nonpartisan analysts: CT budget
wipes away lots of red ink**

No Tax Increases

- Does NOT raise income tax rates
- Does NOT raise sales tax rates
- Does NOT raise business and corporate tax rates

Spending Cuts & Structural Changes

- **Largest spending reduction** in history of the state
- **\$1.5 billion from the state's budget has been cut** over the past year
- Caps nonunion pensions and increases health care premiums
- Continues the plan to **fully fund past pension liabilities**
- Consolidates state commissions and functions

Increases Funding for Milford

- **Funding for Milford increased \$1.6 million** to help reduce property taxes
- Continues a **strong level of local education funding** to ensure our education system remains robust
- **Increases reimbursement rate for school construction** providing an additional \$3.7 million to Milford
- **Maintains our investment in Milford Hospital**, a significant driver of our economy

Protects Critical Services

- Maintains funding for **services to support children and adults with disabilities**
- Protects **mental health grants**
- Continues to invest significantly in **higher education to keep tuition costs down**
- **Bolsters the manufacturing industry** by supporting Platt Tech and our technical high school system