Leonard A. Fasano
Senate Minority Leader

State Senator Len Fasano has served the 34th Senatorial District communities of Durham, East Haven, North Haven and Wallingford since 2003. Following his reelection in 2014, the Senate Republican Caucus elected Fasano to serve as Senate Minority Leader for the 2015-2016 legislative session. Fasano has previously served as a Senate Deputy Minority Leader and Senate Minority Leader Pro Tempore.

In addition to his current leadership position, Senator Fasano serves as Ranking Member on the General Assembly's Legislative Management Committee. He also serves on the Executive & Legislative Nominations, Internship, and Planning & Development committees. He has previously served as Ranking Member of the Planning and Development Committee, Executive & Legislative Nominations Committee and Regulations Review Committee.

Senator Fasano is an advocate of family-friendly policies and is committed to making state government more cost-effective and efficient. He has a long history of bipartisan legislative accomplishments as well, including championing efforts to reform Connecticut's eminent domain laws and protect Long Island Sound, and enhancing the transparency and oversight of hospital conversions from non-profit to for-profit institutions.

As leader of the Senate Republican Caucus, Senator Fasano has already taken bold steps to enhance outreach, advance core Republican values and combat national negative stereotypes of Republicans. Senator Fasano established an urban affairs initiative within his caucus to open up the dialogue between Republican lawmakers and Connecticut cities to identify ways to pave paths to prosperity for all and enhance opportunities. He has also proposed plans to reform the state's justice system to reduce recidivism and give people the tools they need to succeed in all aspects of life.

Senator Fasano is the co-creator and was co-chair of the Bipartisan Round Table on Hospitals and Health Care, established in 2014 in partnership with Senate President Martin Looney. The Round Table was formed to reach out to policy makers, health care providers, patients other stakeholders to monitor the implementation of recent legislation, discuss the rapid changes in the health care

market and develop policy recommendations to help ensure continued access to affordable quality care in Connecticut. Senator Fasano, whose father was a doctor in New Haven, has advocated for legislation that seeks to remedy the problems caused by the rapid consolidation of physician practices in Connecticut and the resulting impacts on health care costs and patient choice.

Senator Fasano is the President and Founder of Fasano, Ippolito, and Lee, a law firm in New Haven. He is also an East Haven business owner. Fasano earned his Bachelor of Science Degree from Yale University in 1981, a Juris Doctorate from Quinnipiac Law School in 1984, and an L.L.M. Degree in Taxation from Boston University Law School in 1985. He played football at Yale under legendary coach, Carm Cozza.

Senator Fasano has spent all of his life in New Haven and surrounding communities. He has three adult children and currently resides in North Haven with his wife, Jill.