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Dear Senator Fasano and Representative Klarides:

I often wonder where my paycheck goes. Then I look at everything I pay for and realize it goes to the state of Connecticut. Property tax, car tax, income tax, sales tax(es). All of this money that CT citizens pay and yet it still not enough. Our government fails to live within its means like I am forced to and like every other individual and family in the state. Our Governor and the Democratic-held legislature has no problem with increasing taxes yet balk everytime there is talk of a reduction in spending. Why is our government not using metrics to evaluate the return-on-investment of social programs and proactively discontinuing those that are underperforming? Why is there such a hesitation for welfare reform like Maine has introduced? Why has our Governor not pushed to complete the union concessions agreed to during the last tax increase (largest in state history)? It is time to stop playing politics with people's lives. We are not living the American dream...we are living a socialists dream. It is time to begin holding everyone accountable. Everyone (citizens and businesses) needs to pay their fair share in taxes...no more. Our government must spend what we are bringing in...no more. Our government needs to work within the confines of our state and US Constitutions. We need to get able-bodied people on welfare to get a job or get an education. Governor Malloy is truly out of touch with the damage that past policies have done to this state. It's time to start righting the ship. Create an environment people want to live in, raise their families and build their business in...not one that incentivizes people to move out. The people of CT cannot afford any more taxes and it is time to re-evaluate where tax dollars are spent.

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