



Connecticut State Senator

28<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT

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## My Commitment to Affordable Energy for Connecticut

As your State Senator representing the 28th Senate District, I see the strain that skyrocketing energy bills are placing on our families and small businesses every day. It's a burden that's gone on too long, and I'm determined to lead with bold, practical solutions to bring relief. That's why I've joined my fellow Senate and House Republicans to re-introduce a set of legislative proposals aimed at tackling energy affordability head-on, ensuring both immediate savings and long-term stability for all ratepayers.

Having served as Vice Chairman of the Energy and Technology Committee, I've gained a deep understanding of our energy systems—their complexities and the structural issues that keep driving costs higher. But knowledge alone isn't enough. Our residents need action, and they need it now. Connecticut families can't afford to wait while costs spiral out of control. It's time for courageous leadership to step up, demand transparency, and push for reforms that put consumers first, ahead of inefficiency and unaffordable price hikes.

### A Plan Built for You

These proposals aren't just ideas—they're the product of listening to you, my constituents, working with experts, and seeking bipartisan paths forward. Here's what I'm fighting for:

- Eliminating the "Public Benefits Charge" on your electric bills to deliver direct savings, shifting those policy costs where they belong—in the state budget.
  - [SB 95](#)
  - [SB 384](#)
  - [HB 5534](#)
- Capping long-term energy purchase prices, particularly for new renewables, to stop runaway costs from hitting your wallet.
  - [SB 97](#)
  - [SB 384](#)
  - [HB 5534](#)
- Broadening our renewable energy options to include nuclear and hydropower, creating a balanced, sustainable mix that works for Connecticut.
  - [SB 96](#)
  - [HB 5534](#)
- Splitting PURA from DEEP, so the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority can focus solely on protecting you, the consumer, with independent oversight.
  - [SB 94](#)
  - [HB 5534](#)
- Fixing incentive programs to keep them fair and cost-effective, including a hard look at the electric vehicle rebate program to prevent unnecessary rate increases.
  - [SB 384](#)
  - [HB 5534](#)
- Appointing PURA commissioners who prioritize you, bringing affordability and accountability to the forefront of their mission.

### Transparency and Action, Not Blame

The flaws in our energy system aren't new, but the urgency to fix them has never been greater. Energy affordability isn't about politics—it's about people. I hear from families struggling to pay their bills and business owners battling to stay afloat. Pointing fingers won't light their homes or power their shops. Solutions will. That's why I'm pushing this plan: actionable steps, laid out clearly, to ease your burden today and secure a more affordable energy future tomorrow.

I'm calling on my colleagues across the aisle to join me. This isn't a Republican or Democratic fight—it's a fight for every Connecticut resident. We need bipartisan cooperation to make this work, and I'm ready to lead with the transparency and accountability you deserve. It's about challenging the status quo and building an energy system that supports our families and businesses, not one that holds them back.

As your Senator, I'm committed to a Connecticut where you can thrive—where energy costs don't dictate your budget or your dreams. These proposals are my pledge to put you first, and I'll keep pushing until we get this right.