

Senator Tony Hwang is serving his 3rd term representing Connecticut's 28th Senatorial District, which includes the towns of Easton, Fairfield, Newtown, Weston and Westport.

Tony serves as the Ranking Member of the Housing, Higher Education, and Public Safety & Security Committees. He is also a member of the Transportation Committee.

Tony previously served as Vice-Chair of the Aging and Energy & Technology Committees, ranking member on Labor and Public Employees committees, and as a member of the Commerce, Judiciary, Planning & Development, and Veterans' Affairs committees.

The Fairfield resident and married father of two was born in Taiwan to parents that had escaped Communist China as teens and lived under martial law in Taiwan.

Tony graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in labor relations and organizational behavior from Cornell University. After working briefly with United Technologies, he entered the executive search business, ultimately founding his own company recruiting technology executives. For the past several years, Tony has been involved in residential real estate.

A town educational issue in 2005 motivated Tony to run for and win a position on the Fairfield Representative Town Meeting. In 2008, Tony ran for and won the State Representative seat representing the 134th district (Fairfield, Trumbull). He quickly established a track record of what he termed "fiscal responsibility, moderate and responsible social views and an unwavering passion and commitment" to his community. In 2010 and 2012, Tony was re-elected by nearly 70% of the voting members in his district.

In 2014, Tony became the first Asian-Pacific American State Senator in Connecticut history. In that year, he received the Legislative Champion Award from the Connecticut Alliance of YMCAs for his commitment to strengthening communities, youth development, healthy living and social responsibility.

In 2015, and 2016 citing his environmental leadership, the Connecticut League of Conservation Voters (CTLCV) named Tony a "Legislative Champion" in its Environmental Scorecard. In 2017 he was named to the CTLCV Legislative Champion Hall of Fame, and received the highest score of any legislator in the 2018 Environmental Scorecard.

In 2016, the Connecticut AARP presented Tony with its Legislative Award for his efforts to provide support to individuals who care for a loved one at home.

In 2016, Tony introduced new legislation to increase the penalties for when a threat involves a preschool, K-12 school or an institution of higher education. The new law makes threats felonies which would result in a prison sentence.

Tony was recognized as the 2016 Co-Legislator of the Year by the Uniformed Professional Fire Fighters Association of Connecticut for his efforts in helping craft legislation which provides wage replacement benefits to all of Connecticut's firefighters diagnosed with cancer.

Mothers Against Drunk Driving honored Tony with MADD's 2016 Public Policy Award for his legislative work in promote road safety.

In 2016, Tony was recognized by CT Parent Power for his efforts to support early childhood care, education, health and wellness.

