

Frilling, Tara

From: Elizabeth Santaus <elizabeth@dresslersantaus.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 10, 2015 8:03 PM
To: Frilling, Tara
Cc: Senator Slossberg
Subject: budget spending cap must be maintained

Dear Ms. Frilling:

I have been following the reports of the upcoming state budget proposals and am overwhelmingly distressed.

As a small business owner in Milford, Connecticut, I am intimately familiar with the tax burdens our state citizenry and business owners already face on a daily basis – particularly unemployment taxes, special assessments, and federal unemployment “tax credit reductions”. In particular, as a professional bookkeeping business, Dressler Santaus interacts with over a hundred small businesses in our community on a regular basis who would be adversely affected by the proposed budget’s tax increases and new sales taxes.

This has to stop: the endless cycle of deficit spending and tax increases. Our business cannot continue to grow and invest in new employees under these circumstances. Our family cannot make ends meet with additional sales taxes, gas price increases, and utility rate increases.

I strongly oppose any effort to override the spending cap.
I strongly oppose any new taxes or increases to existing taxes.

I want to see the legislature – the finance committee in particular - work within the limits imposed on them and make the hard choices to cut spending to save our economy and our state. Stop playing semantic games with what is “spending” and what is not – spending is spending.

Sincerely,

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