



THE 146TH DISTRICT INCLUDES:
Amherst and Williamsville.

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1. Decrease taxes through sensible spending, which includes lowering the cost of doing business in NYS
2. Making the proper investments in Public Safety and Schools, which includes School Safety
3. Prioritizing essential services for everyone in NYS, from seniors to children and families to the disability community to low income residents, creating a more affordable place to live, work and enjoy
4. Although a lofty goal, I think the passage of term limits should be discussed

ISSUES

BACKGROUND

CAMPAIGN WEBSITE

TOP PRIORITIES

Good Cause Eviction

OPPOSE

Banning Natural Gas hookups

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Single Payer Healthcare

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Extended Producer Responsibility

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Enacting a Climate Change Superfund

OPPOSE

Protecting Employers from
Unemployment Insurance Rate Increases

SUPPORT

Repealing the Brownfield Cleanup
Program's \$50,000 Application Fee

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Extending Aid to Offset the Benefits Cliff

Expanding 0% corporate franchise tax to smaller manufacturers

On energy and climate policy

On the largest impediment to growth in our region

On bridging the digital divide

On developing the next generation of workers

On why employers should support her

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By using multiple strategies to combat carbon emissions that are both climate sensible, but that also maintain energy service and limit cost to consumers. It's currently always a one size fits all approach in Albany, but breaking down the issue and addressing it sensibly and affordably takes more work and compromise. The State can adopt Climate Action Council recommendations that achieve climate goals in a reliable, affordable way while utilizing the state's extensive natural gas infrastructure to transport low carbon fuels. This diversity in energy will keep families in their homes, especially low income, and it will decrease current threats of rolling black outs that are occurring in other states, which is a public safety issue.

Government Interference in all aspects of business, especially the current one size fits all policies that are coming out of Albany, which are often void of stakeholder comments, that includes unfunded mandates, over-regulation, and a lack of transparency or guidance on such policies created.

Expanding on broadband technology or in the next generation of wireless capabilities. Tapping into the expertise on best practices for expansion and creating competitive opportunities to limit costs for consumers and expand to those areas not currently receiving coverage.

Changing the mindset and stigmatization of the trades and skilled workforce. There continues to be a shortage of next generation workers and investing in BOCES type programming that connects with businesses regionally and state-wide to produce workers that want to stay in NYS because they learned and trained here. It can start in High School and Community Colleges, and can progress into area specific Colleges where appropriate. Turning the stigma into positive results and programming would change the course for many individuals.

Having worked in local and state government, I have seen the different layers and "red-tape" that businesses have to work through in order to operate. While many polices aim to balance consumer, worker, and/or environmental protections, Albany often goes too far and without any stakeholder input in their decision making. Taking on legislation that corrects past mistakes should not be shunned by legislators. When Albany admits they got it wrong, everyone wins. Working across the aisle, along with all the stakeholders, one issue at a time, getting it right the first or second time is best public policy, not the current 8th, 9th, or the 50th time. The COVID-19 pandemic was a very real lens at the many failures of a broken government, which lacked leadership, timeliness, and transparency.