

State Representative

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Dear Friends:

Over the past two terms, it has been both an honor and privilege to serve you in the Massachusetts State House. As this legislative term comes to an end, I am writing to update you on what has been happening both on Beacon Hill and in our communities.

Your opinions are truly valuable to me, and I sincerely appreciate the constant hard work and dedication of our community. It has been an honor serving you in the legislature and I would respectfully ask for your support on September 19th and again on November 7th. As always, do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of any assistance in the future.

With warmest regards,



Jeffrey Sánchez

2005/2006 Legislative Highlights

This past legislative term has seen some real accomplishments on Beacon Hill as well as in our district. At the beginning of the session, a comprehensive re-structuring of the legislature's committee system for the first time in 38 years was implemented, at which time I was honored to be appointed as the Vice Chairman of the Joint Committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies.

Economic Stimulus Bill

One of the first initiatives addressed by the legislature was the drafting of a detailed economic stimulus package to boost job creation throughout Massachusetts. Following a multi-city listening tour, our committee worked to create a bill that

invested in workforce training, technology, infrastructure, and cultural facilities.

A key part of the stimulus bill, and one that I strongly advocated for, was the recapitalization of the Brownfields Redevelopment Fund, providing state assistance to clean up and re-develop what were once polluted and unusable parcels of land, paving the way for housing, commercial, and other positive development opportunities.

Health Care Reform

Another major accomplishment of the last term was the passage of a health care reform package. Hailed as a national model, it is designed to bring affordable, quality insurance to 95% of the state's nearly 500,000 uninsured residents within three years. This landmark piece of legislation promotes the concept of shared responsibility where individuals, businesses, and government each participate in an effort to address alarming rises in costs and a growing number of uninsured residents.

I am also very pleased and proud to report that legislation I filed relevant to removing MassHealth enrollment caps was, in part, written into the final version of this bill. This section expands the number of individuals eligible for several key MassHealth programs, including CommonHealth, HIV, and Family Assistance.

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