



## 2022 Candidate Survey on the Environment

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Senate , 26

### OPEN QUESTION

On a personal level I have always worked to reduce, reuse, and recycle; composting and limiting what goes into landfills as well as reducing energy consumption whenever possible over the past 40 years by drying our clothes outside.

Professionally, as the CEO of Person-to-Person, yearly we kept more than 50,000 bags of clothing out of landfills by recycling clothing and getting it into the hands of those who needed it most. While at P2P I testified at Darien and Norwalk Town meetings in favor of a plastic bag ban despite the fact that P2P used recycled plastic bags for both clothing and food. I determined that the environment was more important and set about to bring reusable bags to P2P for client use.

My top environmental priority during the legislative session will be to work on climate change mitigation legislation, including reducing auto emissions and increasing public transit.

#### 1) ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE:

- Yes

#### 2) WASTE MANAGEMENT:

- Yes

#### 3) POLYSTYRENE:

- Yes

#### 4) PFAS:

- Yes

#### 5) NEONICOTINOIDS:

- Yes  
I do not use fertilizer or pesticides on my property because of their environmental impact

**6) RODENTICIDES:**

- yes

**7) DIESEL BACKUP GENERATORS/DATA CENTERS:**

- Yes

**8) BEARS:**

- yes

**9) TREE CUTTING PROTOCOLS:**

- Uncertain

**10) COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY:**

- Yes

**11) RIPARIAN BUFFERS:**

- Uncertain

**12) RANKED CHOICE VOTING:**

- yes
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