

# The Connecticut General Assembly



Rep. Linda Orange during opening day of the Connecticut General Assembly, Wednesday, Jan. 9, 2019

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## **State Representative Linda Orange Appointed as Deputy Speaker**

*Will also serve on the Joint Committee on Legislative Management, Public Safety & Security Committee, and General Law Committee*

**HARTFORD— State Representative Linda Orange (D- Colchester, Lebanon, Mansfield, Windham) was re-appointed to the House Leadership team as Deputy Speaker by Speaker of the House Joe Aresimowicz (Berlin/Southington).**

She will also serve as a member of the Joint Committee on Legislative Management, Public Safety and Security Committee and General Law Committee.

As Deputy Speaker, **Rep. Orange** will serve as Speaker of the House in the absence of the elected House Speaker. In this role, she will also rally bipartisan support for proposed legislation.

**Rep. Orange** was first elected to the General Assembly in 1996, and has worked on issues concerning hospitals, reducing pharmaceutical costs, and advocating for doctors to order medications instead of insurance companies.

She also worked to restore funding to the 48<sup>th</sup> House District's firefighting schools and training programs.

**Rep. Orange** is committed to supporting Connecticut's workforce and education system; ensuring schools provide students with skills to thrive in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. **Rep. Orange** has historically advocated to support Connecticut's veterans and military families.

During the 2018 Legislative Session, she supported legislation that would increase accessibility for veterans suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder, traumatic brain injury, or military sexual trauma to recover and reintegrate into civilian life.

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