

# The Connecticut General Assembly

House Democrats



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## REP. ROSE CALLS FOR CARE 4 KIDS FUNDING

**State Representative Kim Rose** (D-Milford) offered testimony asking the legislature's Appropriations Committee to fully restore funding to Care 4 Kids during a public hearing at the Legislative Office Building last Friday.

Many low income families in the state are in danger of losing the Care 4 Kids subsidy that helps them cover the costs of child care. The program allows parents that work to ensure their children can receive quality care while they work.

**Rep. Rose** said in her testimony that, “The loss of this child care subsidy would have a devastating effect not only on our state’s families at risk of losing access to child care, but this action will also have a severe impact on small daycare businesses, and especially home-based businesses.”

According to recent reports, due to the state’s fiscal situation, program applications are being halted and some existing participants may get not get renewed into the program.

“While I fully understand the state’s financial situation and the need to make difficult decisions, I am asking to re-evaluate and consider other options to help families in need and at the same time our small businesses,” **Rep. Rose** said.

**Rep. Rose** said she will be monitoring the progress and development of this issue as the legislature prepares for a new 2017 Legislative Session.

**Rep. Kim Rose** is serving her third legislative term in the CT General Assembly, representing Milford’s 118<sup>th</sup> District. Kim is an Assistant Majority Whip, Vice Chairman of the Housing Committee, a member of the Select Committee on Veteran Affairs, and the Children’s Committee. She previously served on the Environment Committee and Planning and Development Committee. She is a member of the Shoreline Preservation Committee, the Tourism and Sportsmen’s Caucus.

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