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Rep. Noujaim Named to Key General Assembly Committees for 2007-2008 Legislative Sessions



Reappointed to Commerce, Higher Education & Employment Advancement Panels; Joins Transportation Committee

State Representative Selim G. Noujaim, R-74th District, has been reappointed to the General Assembly's Commerce and Higher Education & Employment Advancement committees for the 2007 – 2008 legislative sessions. He also was appointed to the Transportation Committee., House Republican Leader Lawrence F. Cafero Jr., R-142nd District, announced today.

“Representative Noujaim, who serves as one of my assistant leaders, has played a major role in enacting legislation that has encouraged economic growth and job creation as the House Ranking Member (Republican Leader) on the Commerce Committee and as a member of the Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee for the past four years,” Representative Cafero said. “Selim is committed to making our state more business-friendly to attract new companies to Connecticut and to provide secure, well-paid jobs for our citizens. As a business person, Selim has an intimate understanding of the challenges facing employers in the Greater Waterbury area and throughout Connecticut. I look forward to working closely with Selim over the next two years to provide a better economic future for the people of Connecticut.”

“As a member of the Commerce Committee, I will continue working to enact legislation that encourages Connecticut companies to expand their operations here and provides new incentives for out-of-state firms to move to our state,” Representative Noujaim said. “One of the problems employers frequently cited in a recent CBIA poll was finding qualified people to work for them. As a member of the Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee, one of my top priorities for 2007 and 2008 will be working with our state's business community and with our public universities and colleges to make sure students are given the opportunity to acquire the skills Connecticut companies are looking for.”

“Most of those who responded to the CBIA poll also said improving the state's transportation infrastructure is essential to maintaining and strengthening a healthy business climate,” Representative Noujaim said. “I concur with that assessment and I will be working to keep Connecticut's ambitious transportation infrastructure improvement program on track as a member of the Transportation Committee. A transportation system that includes up-to-date air, rail and port facilities as well as a highway system capable of meeting the needs of Connecticut's citizens and employers for the rest of the century must be one of our state's top priorities for years to come.”