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## **Fix the Budget. Protect Essential Services and Seniors. Invest in the Future.**

Innovative thinking is needed to fix our state budget and invest in the future.

Eliminating the state income tax – which accounts for 56% of the state’s general fund – is an already-debunked fantasy. Revenue and smart spending go hand in hand.

I will not retreat from the promises made to teachers, pensioners, seniors and the vulnerable. I won’t allow healthcare and services to the disabled, vulnerable or seniors to be gutted to make room for perks for the few.

You need to be assured that balancing the budget doesn't mean driving the state’s financial woes down to Ridgefield.