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HOUSE DISTRICT 63

REPRESENTATIVE DEAN SANPEI ACTIVE ON THE HILL



Dean in D.C.

As a healthcare expert, I am being consulted by the House leadership and others in the legislature on healthcare policy issues. In August I traveled with Sen. Dan Liljenquest, Michael Hales (Dir. of Utah's Health and Human Services), and Robert Spendlove (Governor's Policy Director) to speak with Cindy Mann (Dir. of Medicaid Services for the US) and her executive staff about allowing Utah the flexibility we need to find ways to control healthcare spending in Medicaid. Federal reform increases access, without controlling costs. The meeting went very well. There is much work still to be done, but I am optimistic we can chart a course for cost controls and a sustainable healthcare model.

August Interim Day At the Capitol

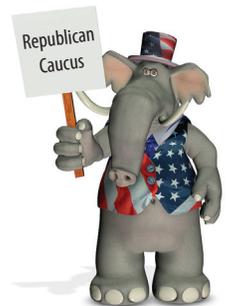
Revenue & Tax Interim Committee

The major topic of discussion at this meeting was equalization of education funding. School districts are funded through state income tax and local property taxes. Because local property values are not the same in all the districts, some districts have more money per pupil than others even if they apply the same property tax rate. Equalizing school funding would seek to minimize those disparities and give "equal" amounts to school districts regardless of their community property values. Many states have dealt with this problem and there is no simple answer because communities with higher property values are reticent to tax themselves at a higher rate and pass the money on to other school districts. I have raised this concern and have enough support such that equalization will not occur if it requires a tax increase for Provo.

Republican Caucus Meeting

The debate focused on the \$100 million in education funding being forced on Utah by the Federal Government. We are all extremely frustrated by the ongoing deficit spending by the Federal Government.

However, after speaking with legal research and council, I agree with the Governor in the view that not applying for the funds, or having the legislature vote against accepting the funds WILL NOT stop the funds from coming nor from being spent – it would however, mean Utah would have no control over how those funds would be spent. If you have an opinion on this - let me know. There may be an interim vote on it.



CONTACT DEAN

I am always anxious to hear from you. My cell is (801) 372-1242, email me at Dean@DeanSanpei.com or go to my website at www.DeanSanpei.com.





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On the "Hot" Issue - Immigration

During the past few months, I have been meeting with law enforcement, healthcare professionals, and members of the business community. A topic that always comes up is immigration. Frustrations are high everywhere.

One detective in the sheriffs department told me, "When I pull someone over - I have to know who they are. If they have a violent past and are here illegally, then we know nothing about them."

When many state rights are circumvented by the Federal Government, I find it completely ironic that one power given to the Federal Government (article 1, sec. 8, clause 4), that of dealing with immigration - is being ignored. Utah will have to address the problem.

As with any other issue, I am anxious to hear from you. Please email me at Dean@DeanSanpei.com.



Representative Sanpei

I believe our children are naturally optimistic. They look forward to a positive and bright future. I feel a great responsibility to assure their optimism is well founded in us.

As I serve in the Legislature, I view it as a service to the community. I will not compromise on that vision of service - future generations are too important.

Why You Should Vote

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Yard Signs

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