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**Cc:** Flores, Joshua; Rochelle Palache  
**Subject:** Re: MINIMUM WAIGE - Please support SB2 / HB5004

Thank you!

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**From:** "Rep. Michel, David" <David.Michel@cga.ct.gov>  
**Date:** 3/6/19 1:36 PM (GMT-05:00)  
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**Cc:** "Flores, Joshua" <Joshua.Flores@cga.ct.gov>  
**Subject:** MINIMUM WAIGE - Please support SB2 / HB5004

Dear Senator Kushner, Representative Porter and esteemed members of the Labor and Public Employees Committee. My name is David Michel and I am State Representative for the 146<sup>th</sup> district, Stamford, which is for Downtown, Shippan and The South End, the most diverse district in Stamford and possibly in the state, financially speaking and culturally speaking.

I ask for your support of SB 2 An Act Increasing the Minimum Fair Wage and HB 5004 An Act Raising the Minimum Fair Wage.

I support SB 2 and HB 5004 because it will gradually increase the minimum wage to \$15 by 2022 and then index it to inflation.

I can imagine the number of public testimony on this subject so I will keep it short and focus on one of what I believe to be the main issues with the \$10.10 an hour.

***There are studies showing that in order to rent a 2 bedroom apartment, as an average in our state, you need to make a minimum of \$24.90/hr at 40 hours a week so for an adult or couple and a child to not spend more than a third of their income so they can pay for food transportation insurance etc to maintain a proper lifestyle, considering the adult or one of***

***the two adults works. The numbers dramatically goes up if your job is in a city (like Stamford). This is one of the prime reasons I am asking that you support SB2 and HB5004. Please check the link below .. and see the map from the NATIONAL LOW INCOME HOUSING COALITION. It supports my mentioning of \$24.90 minimum hourly rate at 40hrs a week***  
<https://www.thrillist.com/news/nation/hourly-wage-rent-two-bedroom-in-every-state>

Kind regards,  
For Progress, and Social Justice,

State Representative David Michel  
1-914-843-7545  
Proudly serving Stamford's South End, Shippan & Downtown  
And the rest of CT  
Co Chair legislators for Animal Advocacy Caucus  
Assistant Majority Leader