

Dear Sir,

The work of the Spending Cap Commission is important to us Connecticut voters.

The calculation of spending under the Cap MUST include all spending, including our state's substantial pension required contributions.

The calculation only has validity if it is comprehensive. Any other treatment of the calculation would present a false picture of spending.

We urge you to include pension contributions, so that citizens and voters can have confidence that the constitutional spending cap is being calculated with integrity and managed with responsibility.

Thanks.

Sincerely,

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