



## CRCOG Weekly Legislative Report

### 2018 Legislative Session

April 5, 2018

#### Weekly Legislative Feature Issues:

The final week of legislative committee work has been eventful. First, after revelations of the mishandled firing of her former Chief of Staff, Tony Baker, for alleged sexual misconduct as well as abusive behavior toward a congressional staffer, Representative Elizabeth Esty announced that she would not be seeking re-election this fall. A decision that opened the door for a growing field of congressional hopefuls who are working to succeed the three-term congresswoman.

Second, the Judiciary Committee members voted against passing [SB No. 518](#): **AN ACT CONCERNING ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE FOR HOMEOWNERS WITH CRUMBLING CONCRETE FOUNDATIONS** out of committee. This means that this legislative proposal will not continue through the process and has died in committee. This bill was aimed at making insurance companies cover the cost of remediating crumbling concrete foundations. Moreover, it would have raised more money to help homeowners impacted by crumbling foundations by adding a \$20/year surcharge onto all renters' and homeowners' insurance policies. This bill was in addition to legislation passed in the 2017 legislative session that authorized bonding of up to \$100 million over five years to those impacted by this catastrophe.

**BREAKING NEWS:** In a joint statement released by the leaders of all four legislative caucuses, House Speaker Aresimowicz, Minority Leader Themis Klarides, Senate President Martin Looney, and Senate Republican President Len Fasano stated that they are "committed to continuing" the bipartisan approach that they took to budgeting this past fall. Citing the backup of committee meetings due to inclement weather closings that interfered with the continuity of budget negotiations, they stated that they have all agreed to support placeholder budget bills, which would be voted out of the Finance Committee on Thursday, April 5, 2018. Those bills, Senate Bill No. 533 and House Bill No. 5588 will then be referred out of the Senate and House to the Appropriations Committee by April 20, 2018 for a budget vote. This will give the Appropriations Committee needed time to hold a vote on a complete fiscal year 2019 budget. We will be sure to keep you apprised as further details emerge.

#### This past week has revealed new developments of particular interest to you:

##### Debt Assistance Could Cost Hartford Other State Aid

The Malloy Administration and the State Treasurer are paying off nearly \$550 million in bonded debt from Hartford despite objections from Republican leaders.

Senator Len Fasano and Representative Themis Klarides co-wrote a letter, saying "We believe the budget violates the spirit of the historic bipartisan budget that was adopted this past fall." When the

budget was adopted, it was expected to provide \$20 million in aid to Hartford this fiscal year and the following year.

As part of the deal, Hartford was to refinance its debt, but Republicans learned that the state would be paying off Hartford's bonded debt for the next 20 years. Republicans have stated that if Hartford receives this much aid, that they will seek to reduce the same amount in grants. The debt assistance has also been questioned by Senate President Pro Tempore Martin Looney and Senate Majority Leader Bob Duff. House Majority Leader Matt Ritter agreed with Looney and Duff, but thought that the GOP's plan to cut grants is inflexible.

Both the Malloy Administration and State Treasurer Denise Nappier have defended the program, with a spokesperson for the Malloy Administration saying "If Senator Fasano and Representative Klarides don't like the terms of Hartford's financial assistance agreement, they need look no further than the closest mirror. Both Republican leaders negotiated and passed the biennial budget that included this authorization, and they did it with the Malloy administration out of the room. The deal that has now been structured and signed is fully within the statutory outline of the bipartisan budget."

[CT Mirror: Debt Assistance Could Cost Hartford Other State Aid 3-28-2018.](#)

### **Builders, Trades Launch Ad to Bolster CT's Transportation Program**

Connecticut's construction businesses and trades have launched "Move CT Forward," to overhaul Connecticut's transportation infrastructure. The text does not explicitly call for tolls or gasoline taxes, but Don Shubert, the President of the Connecticut Construction Industries Association, has called for them.

Governor Malloy wants to increase Connecticut's gas tax from 25 cents to 32 cents and implement tolls on the major highways, the latter of which is not expected to produce revenue until the 2021-2022 fiscal year. Malloy said that if Connecticut does not increase its transportation revenue it would need to reduce capital spending by 40% or \$4.3 billion, which would postpone projects such as the Hartford Viaduct.

On March 22nd, the Transportation Committee passed a bill along party lines that allows the Department of Transportation to study tolls. If DOT's plan is not rejected by the General Assembly, then it would be considered approved. However, tolls are unlikely to be passed by the General Assembly, especially in an election year.

[CT Mirror: Builders, Trades Launch Ad to Bolster CT's Transportation Program 3-28-2018.](#)

### **CT Budget Panel Going Down to the Wire Again**

The Appropriations Committee has until Thursday, April 5<sup>th</sup> to pass a midterm budget adjustment package. Last year's budget was difficult to pass, but this year they have the added pressure of an impending election cycle. Current projections predict that Connecticut will close the current fiscal year with a deficit of \$260 million. A final analysis must be sent to the legislature by April 30<sup>th</sup>, just nine days before the legislative session adjourns sine die.

Both parties want to suspend new restrictions on the Medicare Savings Program, which costs \$93 million but would help them in an election year. As part of the budget that was passed last year, Governor Malloy has ordered a savings directive, which includes cuts to municipal aid, social services, and higher education. This is viewed as regrettable by many legislators who remain committed to fund those priorities. The governor still needs to find \$39 million to close the deficit, but Republicans are reluctant to pass tax hikes, especially following increases in 2011 and 2015. "We need to recognize we have a new economy and build a budget toward that," said State Senator Paul Formica.

[CT Mirror: CT Budget Panel Going Down to the Wire Again 3-29-2018](#)

**Esty Says She Will Not Seek Re-election**

U.S. Rep. Elizabeth Esty (D-5) announced that she will not seek reelection, following her delayed response to allegations of sexual abuse involving her then- Chief of Staff Tony Baker. Rep. Esty failed to dismiss Baker for three months despite allegations of sexual misconduct as well as verbal and physical abuse toward a staffer. When she finally dismissed him, she gave him a severance package, a job recommendation, and signed a non-disclosure agreement.

She rejected calls for her resignation by a number of Connecticut Democrats including State Senate President Pro Tempore Martin Looney and Democratic Senate Majority Leader Bob Duff and Republicans including House Minority Leader Themis Klarides. Congressional Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi condemned Esty's response, but did not call for her to resign. Instead of resigning, Esty has asked the House Ethics Committee to review her case. Following the scandal, Larry Sabato of the "Crystal Ball" changed his forecast from "Safe Democrat" to "Likely Democrat."

[CT Mirror: Esty Says She Will Not Seek Re-election 4-2-2018](#)

**Tracked Bills:**

BILL STATUS LIST						
Bill Number	Priority	BA	Title & Synopsis	Sponsors	Status	Note
<a href="#">HB 5045</a>	3		An Act Establishing Accountability For Fair And Affordable Housing Through Zoning Regulations.  To implement the Governor's budget recommendations.	Rep. Joe Aresimowicz (30); Sen. Bob Duff (S25); Sen. Martin M. Looney (S11); Rep. Matthew Ritter (1)	Committees: PD  Status: Referred to Office of Legislative Research and Office of Fiscal Analysis 04/09/18 5:00 PM (4/3)	

<p><a href="#">HB 5046</a></p>	<p>3</p>		<p>An Act Concerning The Sustainability Of Transportation Projects.</p> <p>To implement the Governor's budget recommendations.</p>	<p>Rep. Joe Aresimowicz (30); Sen. Bob Duff (S25); Sen. Martin M. Looney (S11); Rep. Matthew Ritter (1)</p>	<p>Committees: TRA</p> <p>Status: Favorable Change of Reference, Senate to Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding (3/27)</p>	
<p><a href="#">HB 5051</a></p>	<p>3</p>		<p>An Act Concerning The Deposit Of Motor Vehicle Sales And Use Taxes Into The Special Transportation Fund.</p> <p>To accelerate the rate of deposit of motor vehicle sales and use taxes into the Special Transportation Fund and eliminate the phase-in.</p>	<p>Rep. Fred Wilms (142)</p>	<p>Committees: FIN</p> <p>Status: Referred to Joint Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding (2/9)</p>	
<p><a href="#">HB 5069</a></p>	<p>3</p>		<p>An Act Reimbursing Certain Municipalities For The Loss Of Motor Vehicle Tax Revenue.</p> <p>To reimburse three municipalities that conducted revaluations after 2015 for lost motor vehicle tax revenue.</p>	<p>Rep. Michael D'Agostino (91); Rep. Josh Elliott (88); Rep. Robyn A. Porter (94)</p>	<p>Committees: APP</p> <p>Status: Referred to Joint Committee on Appropriations (2/14)</p>	

<p><a href="#">HB 5072</a></p>	<p>3</p>		<p>An Act Reimbursing Certain Municipalities For The Loss Of Motor Vehicle Tax Revenue.</p> <p>To reimburse three municipalities that conducted revaluations after 2015 for lost motor vehicle tax revenue.</p>	<p>Rep. Michelle L. Cook (65)</p>	<p>Committees: APP</p> <p>Status: Referred to Joint Committee on Appropriations (2/14)</p>	
<p><a href="#">HB 5073</a></p>	<p>3</p>		<p>An Act Restoring Holdbacks To The State Budget.To restore budget holdbacks made by the Governor during the current fiscal year.</p>	<p>Rep. Tim Ackert (8)</p>	<p>Committees: APPStatus:Referred to Joint Committee on Appropriations (2/14)</p>	
<p><a href="#">HB 5079</a></p>	<p>3</p>		<p>An Act Reducing The Subsidy For Ct Fastrack.</p> <p>To reduce the subsidy for CT Fastrack.</p>	<p>Rep. Robin Green (55)</p>	<p>Committees: APP</p> <p>Status: Referred to Joint Committee on Appropriations (2/14)</p>	
<p><a href="#">HB 5123</a></p>	<p>3</p>		<p>An Act Restoring Education Cost-sharing Grant Funding To Towns.</p> <p>To restore education cost-sharing grant funding to those towns whose grants were reduced by the executive branch.</p>	<p>Rep. Andrew M. Fleischmann (18)</p>	<p>Committees: APP</p> <p>Status: Referred to Joint Committee on Appropriations (2/15)</p>	

<p><a href="#">HB 5143</a></p>	<p>3</p>		<p>An Act Lowering The Age Of Eligibility For Property Tax Relief For Elderly Persons.</p> <p>To lower the age an elderly person must be to obtain available property tax relief.</p>	<p>Aging Committee</p>	<p>Committees: AGE</p> <p>Status: Favorable Change of Reference, Senate to Committee on Appropriations (3/28)</p>	
<p><a href="#">HB 5150</a></p>	<p>5</p>		<p>An Act Concerning The Department Of Public Health's Recommendations Regarding Revisions To The General Statutes Concerning Municipal Health Authorities And District Departments Of Health.To implement the recommendations of the Department of Public Health regarding revisions to the general statutes concerning municipal health authorities and district departments of health.</p>	<p>Public Health Committee</p>	<p>Committees: PHStatus:Referred to Office of Legislative Research and Office of Fiscal Analysis 04/09/18 10:00 AM (4/2)</p>	<p>Senator Somers introduced it and indicated that she still has some concerns with the language because it takes away some of the local control. She is supporting today with the understanding that it will continue to be worked on and that she would not support it on the floor if that isn't addressed. Representative Staneski expressed her opposition to the bill stating that she believes the authority to hire should rest with municipality and that this is the first step to regionalization of health districts. Rep McCarty expressed</p>

						similar concerns, but indicated that she would vote for it today. The bill was voted on favorably with Representatives Candelora, Klarides-Ditria, Petit and Staneski voting no of those present and voting at the meeting.
<a href="#">HB 5167</a>	3	<a href="#">Link</a>	<p>An Act Increasing The Amount A Town May Deposit Into A Nonlapsing Account For Unexpended Education Funds.</p> <p>To increase the amount of unexpended funds that a board of education is allowed to deposit into a nonlapsing account at the end of the fiscal year.</p>	Education Committee	<p>Committees: ED</p> <p>Status: File Number 121 (3/29)</p>	

<p><a href="#">HB 5171</a></p>	<p>3</p>	<p><a href="#">Link</a></p>	<p>An Act Prohibiting The Executive Branch From Making Rescissions Or Other Reductions To The Education Cost Sharing Grant During The Fiscal Year.</p> <p>To prohibit the Governor from making rescissions to a town's education cost sharing grant during the fiscal year.</p>	<p>Education Committee</p>	<p>Committees: ED</p> <p>Status: File Number 142 (4/3)</p>	
<p><a href="#">HB 5184</a></p>	<p>3</p>	<p><a href="#">Link</a></p>	<p>An Act Permitting The Amendment Of Municipal Charters For The Purpose Of Modifying Budget Adoption Dates.</p> <p>To permit the amendment of municipal charters for the purpose of modifying budget adoption dates.</p>	<p>Planning and Development Committee</p>	<p>Committees: PD</p> <p>Status: File Number 171 (4/4)</p>	
<p><a href="#">HB 5199</a></p>	<p>3</p>	<p><a href="#">Link</a></p>	<p>An Act Allowing Certain Municipalities To Create Property Tax Relief Programs For Graduates Of Certain Educational Institutions Located In Connecticut.</p> <p>To allow the eight municipalities with largest populations in this state to</p>	<p>Housing Committee</p>	<p>Committees: HSG; PD</p> <p>Status: Referred by House to Committee on Planning and Development (4/3)</p>	



			<p>create a program providing property tax relief as an incentive for certain graduates to buy a first home in such municipalities.</p>			
<p><a href="#">HB 5229</a></p>	<p>3</p>	<p><a href="#">Link</a></p>	<p>An Act Concerning Reimbursement For The Purchase Of Dashboard Cameras With A Remote Recorder And Digital Data Storage Devices Or Services.</p> <p>To expand a grant program that reimburses a municipality for the cost of dashboard cameras purchased during the fiscal years ending June 30, 2017, and June 30, 2018, and digital data storage devices or services purchased during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018.</p>	<p>Public Safety and Security Committee</p>	<p>Committees: PS</p> <p>Status: File Number 179 (4/4)</p>	

<p><a href="#">HB 5283</a></p>		<p><a href="#">Link</a></p>	<p>An Act Concerning Neighborhood Revitalization Zones.</p> <p>To require municipalities to defend and indemnify neighborhood revitalization zone planning committees and their members in certain civil actions.</p>	<p>Planning and Development Committee</p>	<p>Committees: PD</p> <p>Status: File Number 184 (4/4)</p>	
<p><a href="#">HB 5285</a></p>			<p>An Act Concerning Authority For Municipalities To Extend Their Budget Adoption Processes.</p> <p>To authorize municipalities to extend their budget adoption processes for fiscal year 2018.</p>	<p>Planning and Development Committee</p>	<p>Committees: PD</p> <p>Status: Reported Out of Legislative Commissioners' Office (4/5)</p>	
<p><a href="#">HB 5286</a></p>			<p>An Act Establishing A Municipal Option To Provide Property Tax Relief To Certain Residents With Homes Damaged By Natural Disasters.</p> <p>To provide a municipal option to allow property tax relief for residents with homes damaged by natural disasters.</p>	<p>Planning and Development Committee</p>	<p>Committees: PD</p> <p>Status: Reported Out of Legislative Commissioners' Office (4/5)</p>	

<p><a href="#">HB 5317</a></p>		<p><a href="#">Link</a></p>	<p>An Act Concerning Municipal Veterans' Representatives.</p> <p>To change references from "veterans' service contact person" to "municipal veterans' representative" and to permit volunteers to serve as such representatives.</p>	<p>Veterans' Affairs Committee</p>	<p>Committees: VA</p> <p>Status: File Number 43 (3/26)</p>	
<p><a href="#">HB 5324</a></p>			<p>An Act Concerning Municipal Funding.</p> <p>To equitably provide state funding to municipalities.</p>	<p>Appropriations Committee</p>	<p>Committees: APP</p> <p>Status: APP Public Hearing: Wed 3/28 10:00 AM @ Room 1E (3/19)</p>	
<p><a href="#">HB 5325</a></p>			<p>An Act Concerning Prekindergarten To Grade Twelve Education Funding.</p> <p>To provide funding for prekindergarten to grade twelve, inclusive, education by the most cost-efficient, equitable and effective means.</p>	<p>Appropriations Committee</p>	<p>Committees: APP</p> <p>Status: APP Public Hearing: Fri 3/9 01:00 PM @ Room 2C (3/2)</p>	
<p><a href="#">HB 5339</a></p>		<p><a href="#">Link</a></p>	<p>An Act Concerning Public Schools.</p> <p>To require the Department of Education to study issues affecting public schools.</p>	<p>Education Committee</p>	<p>Committees: ED</p> <p>Status: File Number 128 (3/29)</p>	

<p><a href="#">HB 5355</a></p>		<p><a href="#">Link</a></p>	<p>An Act Establishing Standards For The Adequacy Of Dog Shelter During Extreme Weather Conditions.</p> <p>To establish certain requirements for what constitutes adequate shelter for a dog during adverse weather conditions.</p>	<p>Environment Committee</p>	<p>Committees: ENV</p> <p>Status: File Number 77 (3/28)</p>	
<p><a href="#">HB 5362</a></p>		<p><a href="#">Link</a></p>	<p>An Act Concerning The Registration And Inspection Of Municipal Pounds And Shelters.</p> <p>To require municipal pounds and shelters to register with the Department of Agriculture and follow the same sanitation and animal treatment standards as other registered facilities.</p>	<p>Environment Committee</p>	<p>Committees: ENV</p> <p>Status: File Number 79 (3/28)</p>	
<p><a href="#">HB 5391</a></p>			<p>An Act Concerning Transportation Infrastructure.</p> <p>To require the Commissioner of Transportation to conduct studies and satisfy other requirements pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act for the</p>	<p>Transportation Committee</p>	<p>Committees: TRA</p> <p>Status: Referred to Office of Legislative Research and Office of Fiscal Analysis 04/09/18 5:00 PM (4/3)</p>	

			<p>purposes of developing electronic tolling systems on the highways of this state.</p>			
<p><a href="#">HB 5436</a></p>			<p>An Act Concerning Certain Property Tax Agreements Between Municipalities And Prospective Purchasers Of Brownfields And Abandoned Properties And Establishing A Brownfield Remediation Tax Credit.</p> <p>To authorize municipalities and prospective purchasers of brownfields and abandoned properties to enter into certain agreements concerning property taxes and to establish a tax credit for costs associated with the remediation of a brownfield.</p>	<p>Commerce Committee</p>	<p>Committees: CE</p> <p>Status: Favorable Change of Reference, Senate to Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding (3/27)</p>	

<p><a href="#">HB 5456</a></p>		<p>An Act Concerning Local Representation On The Connecticut Siting Council And The Language Of Property Owner Notices For Certain Facility Applications.</p> <p>To require a municipal representative be appointed for each application before the Connecticut Siting Council concerning an electric distribution company and to require certain Siting Council proceeding notices to abutting property owners to be written in layman's terms.</p>	<p>Environment Committee</p>	<p>Committees: ENV</p> <p>Status: Reported Out of Legislative Commissioners' Office (4/5)</p>	
<p><a href="#">HB 5483</a></p>		<p>An Act Authorizing A Study Of The Creation Of A Land Bank Authority.</p> <p>To require the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management to conduct a study regarding the creation of a land bank authority.</p>	<p>Planning and Development Committee</p>	<p>Committees: PD</p> <p>Status: Referred to Office of Legislative Research and Office of Fiscal Analysis 04/09/18 5:00 PM (4/3)</p>	

<p><a href="#">HB 5509</a></p>		<p>An Act Concerning Water Pollution Control Authorities.</p> <p>To protect consumers from unfair and abusive water pollution control authority proceedings and charges.</p>	<p>Planning and Development Committee</p>	<p>Committees: PD</p> <p>Status: Referred to Office of Legislative Research and Office of Fiscal Analysis 04/09/18 5:00 PM (4/3)</p>	
<p><a href="#">HB 5510</a></p>		<p>An Act Concerning The Zoning Of Group Homes.</p> <p>To limit the ability of municipalities to prohibit group homes that house disabled persons and individuals recovering from substance abuse.</p>	<p>Planning and Development Committee</p>	<p>Committees: PD</p> <p>Status: Referred to Office of Legislative Research and Office of Fiscal Analysis 04/09/18 5:00 PM (4/3)</p>	
<p><a href="#">HB 5517</a></p>		<p>An Act Concerning Executive Branch Data Management And Processes.</p> <p>To increase access to data by executive branch agencies by codifying the provisions of Executive Order 39, to create a Connecticut Board of Data Analysis Technology Advisory Board, to require the Office of Policy and Management to establish and oversee a state-wide process</p>	<p>Government Administration and Elections Committee</p>	<p>Committees: GAE</p> <p>Status: Filed with Legislative Commissioners' Office (3/26)</p>	

			improvement initiative, to require towns to transmit certain property assess			
<a href="#">HB 5561</a>			<p>An Act Improving Code Enforcement Processes.</p> <p>To permit a municipality to issue on-site citations in order to improve the municipality's code enforcement process and reduce the rate of repeat offenders.</p>	Judiciary Committee	<p>Committees: JUD</p> <p>Status: Filed with Legislative Commissioners' Office (4/4)</p>	
<a href="#">HB 5580</a>			<p>An Act Concerning The Recommendations Of The Commission On Fiscal Stability And Economic Growth.</p> <p>To require the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management to conduct an analysis of the recommendations made by the Commission on</p>	Appropriations Committee	<p>Committees: APP</p> <p>Status: APP Public Hearing: Wed 3/28 10:00 AM @ Room 1E (3/23)</p>	



			Fiscal Stability and Economic Growth.			
<a href="#">HB 5582</a>			<p>An Act Concerning The Taxation Of Marijuana And Marijuana Products Sold In The State.</p> <p>To provide for the taxation of marijuana and marijuana products on and after the date the retail sale of marijuana or marijuana products is authorized in the state.</p>	Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee	<p>Committees: FIN</p> <p>Status: FIN Public Hearing: Mon 4/2 10:30 AM @ Room 2E (3/29)</p>	
<a href="#">HB 5585</a>			<p>An Act Concerning Enterprise Zones.</p> <p>To (1) require the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development to develop specific benchmarks to assess enterprise zone benefits recipients, and (2) allow said commissioner to negotiate certain property tax exemptions with a business seeking</p>	Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee	<p>Committees: FIN</p> <p>Status: FIN Public Hearing: Mon 4/2 10:30 AM @ Room 2E (3/29)</p>	

			enterprise zone benefits and the chief elected official of the municipality in which such enterprise		
<a href="#">HB 5587</a>			<p>An Act Concerning The Commission On Fiscal Stability And Economic Growth.</p> <p>To require the Commission on Fiscal Stability and Economic Growth to refine the recommendations made in its final report issued March 1, 2018.</p>	Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee	<p>Committees: FIN</p> <p>Status: FIN Public Hearing: Mon 4/2 10:30 AM @ Room 2E (3/29)</p>
<a href="#">HB 5589</a>			<p>An Act Concerning A Study Of Finance Policies To Improve The Economic Competitiveness Of The State.</p> <p>To require the Commissioners of Economic and Community Development and Revenue Services to study the finance policies of surrounding states.</p>	Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee	<p>Committees: FIN</p> <p>Status: FIN Public Hearing: Mon 4/2 10:30 AM @ Room 2E (3/29)</p>

<p><a href="#">HB 5591</a></p>			<p>An Act Concerning Municipal Revenue.</p> <p>To diversify municipal revenue options and phase out the motor vehicle property tax.</p>	<p>Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee</p>	<p>Committees: FIN</p> <p>Status: FIN Public Hearing: Mon 4/2 10:30 AM @ Room 2E (3/29)</p>	
<p><a href="#">SB 6</a></p>	<p>3</p>		<p>An Act Implementing The Governor's Budget Recommendations For General Government.</p> <p>To implement the Governor's budget recommendations.</p>	<p>Rep. Joe Aresimowicz (30); Sen. Bob Duff (S25); Sen. Martin M. Looney (S11); Rep. Matthew Ritter (1)</p>	<p>Committees: APP</p> <p>Status: APP Public Hearing: Wed 3/28 10:00 AM @ Room 1E (3/19)</p>	
<p><a href="#">SB 161</a></p>	<p>3</p>		<p>An Act Exempting Certain Building Materials From The Sales And Use Taxes.</p> <p>To exempt from the sales and use taxes building materials that are used in connection with repairs of crumbling foundations of residential buildings.</p>	<p>Sen. Anthony Guglielmo (S35)</p>	<p>Committees: FIN</p> <p>Status: Referred to Joint Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding (2/16)</p>	

<p><a href="#">SB 182</a></p>	<p>3</p>	<p>An Act Concerning Municipal Tax Appeals And Contingency Agreements.</p> <p>To require persons representing property owners or lessors in certain appeals concerning real property assessments to be either attorneys or certified or provisionally licensed real estate appraisers and to prohibit certified or provisionally licensed real estate appraisers from entering into contingency fee agreements in such appeals.</p>	<p>Planning and Development Committee</p>	<p>Committees: PD</p> <p>Status: Filed with Legislative Commissioners' Office (3/26)</p>	
<p><a href="#">SB 184</a></p>	<p>3</p>	<p>An Act Concerning Authorization Of State Grant Commitments For School Building Projects.</p> <p>To authorize state grant commitments for school building projects.</p>	<p>Education Committee</p>	<p>Committees: ED</p> <p>Status: Filed with Legislative Commissioners' Office (3/26)</p>	

<p><a href="#"><u>SB 263</u></a></p>		<p>An Act Eliminating Certain Unclaimed And Seldom Claimed Tax Credits.</p> <p>To eliminate the enterprise zone tax credit for qualifying corporations, the service facility tax credit and the manufacturing facility tax credit for facilities located in an enterprise zone.</p>	<p>Commerce Committee</p>	<p>Committees: CE</p> <p>Status: Favorable Change of Reference, House to Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding (3/28)</p>	
<p><a href="#"><u>SB 264</u></a></p>		<p>An Act Eliminating The Regional Tourism Districts.</p> <p>To eliminate tourism districts in an effort to concentrate on state-wide tourism funding.</p>	<p>Commerce Committee</p>	<p>Committees: CE</p> <p>Status: Filed with Legislative Commissioners' Office (3/26)</p>	
<p><a href="#"><u>SB 272</u></a></p>		<p>An Act Concerning Municipal Construction Projects.</p> <p>To require municipalities to hold public hearings on proposed construction projects with a value of more than twenty-five million dollars.</p>	<p>Planning and Development Committee</p>	<p>Committees: PD</p> <p>Status: Reported Out of Legislative Commissioners' Office (4/5)</p>	

<p><a href="#"><u>SB 274</u></a></p>		<p>An Act Concerning The Assessment Of Municipal Taxes On Certain Residential Dwellings.</p> <p>To require that land on which a one, two, three or four-family residential dwelling is planned for construction, is under construction or has been constructed is assessed exclusive of the value of such dwelling until a certificate of occupancy is issued for such dwelling, the dwelling is used for its intended purpose or title to such dwelling is co</p>	<p>Planning and Development Committee</p>	<p>Committees: PD</p> <p>Status: Reported Out of Legislative Commissioners' Office (4/5)</p>	
<p><a href="#"><u>SB 334</u></a></p>		<p>An Act Concerning Municipal And State Competitive Procurement Of Electricity, Natural Gas, Renewable Energy, Telecommunications Service And Other Energy-related Products By Nonprofit Energy Buying Consortia.</p> <p>To permit certain municipalities, the state, and state entities to purchase electricity, natural gas, renewable energy, telecommunications services and other</p>	<p>Energy and Technology Committee</p>	<p>Committees: ET</p> <p>Status: Filed with Legislative Commissioners' Office (3/29)</p>	

			energy-related products using nonprofit energy buying consortia.			
<a href="#"><u>SB 343</u></a>			<p>An Act Concerning The Effects Of Climate Change On The Safety Plans Of Certain Chemical Facilities In The State.</p> <p>To require the updating of safety plans for certain chemical facilities in the state that are at risk of flooding and other severe weather events as reflected in updated sea level rise projections and to establish a Climate Justice Working Group within the Governor's Council on Climate Change.</p>	Environment Committee	<p>Committees: ENV</p> <p>Status: Senate Calendar Number 159 (4/5)</p>	

<p><a href="#">SB 349</a></p>		<p><a href="#">Link</a></p>	<p>An Act Concerning Regional Animal Shelters.</p> <p>To provide funding for part of the cost of operating regional animal shelters.</p>	<p>Environment Committee</p>	<p>Committees: ENV</p> <p>Status: File Number 118 (3/28)</p>	
<p><a href="#">SB 356</a></p>		<p><a href="#">Link</a></p>	<p>An Act Concerning Licensing And Registration Requirements For Operators Of Certain Short-term Rental Properties.</p> <p>To require each municipality to adopt an ordinance or regulation concerning operators of certain short-term rental properties, and to require such operators to obtain a license.</p>	<p>Housing Committee</p>	<p>Committees: HSG</p> <p>Status: File Number 119 (3/28)</p>	
<p><a href="#">SB 364</a></p>			<p>An Act Concerning Special Education Funding.</p> <p>To lower the excess cost threshold from four and one-half times to two times the average per pupil educational costs of a board of education.</p>	<p>Education Committee</p>	<p>Committees: ED</p> <p>Status: Filed with Legislative Commissioners' Office (3/26)</p>	



<p><a href="#"><u>SB 365</u></a></p>		<p>An Act Concerning Early Childhood Education Funding.</p> <p>To provide funding for early childhood education by the most cost-efficient, equitable and effective means.</p>	<p>Appropriations Committee</p>	<p>Committees: APP</p> <p>Status: APP Public Hearing: Fri 3/9 01:00 PM @ Room 2C (3/2)</p>	
<p><a href="#"><u>SB 368</u></a></p>		<p>An Act Concerning Transportation Funding.</p> <p>To provide funding for public transportation and transportation projects by the most cost-effective, equitable and efficient means.</p>	<p>Appropriations Committee</p>	<p>Committees: APP</p> <p>Status: APP Public Hearing: Wed 3/28 10:00 AM @ Room 1E (3/19)</p>	
<p><a href="#"><u>SB 389</u></a></p>		<p>An Act Establishing The Connecticut Transportation Authority.</p> <p>To establish the Connecticut Transportation Authority to develop and implement electronic tolling systems.</p>	<p>Transportation Committee</p>	<p>Committees: TRA</p> <p>Status: Referred to Office of Legislative Research and Office of Fiscal Analysis 04/09/18 5:00 PM (4/3)</p>	

<p><a href="#"><u>SB 421</u></a></p>			<p>An Act Concerning Municipal Budget Reserves For The Biennium Ending June 30, 2019.</p> <p>To revise municipal budget reserve language that was passed as part of the state budget for the biennium ending June 30, 2019.</p>	<p>Planning and Development Committee</p>	<p>Committees: PD</p> <p>Status: Referred to Office of Legislative Research and Office of Fiscal Analysis 04/09/18 5:00 PM (4/3)</p>	
<p><a href="#"><u>SB 423</u></a></p>			<p>An Act Eliminating The Municipal Spending Cap.</p> <p>To eliminate the municipal spending cap.</p>	<p>Planning and Development Committee</p>	<p>Committees: PD</p> <p>Status: Referred to Office of Legislative Research and Office of Fiscal Analysis 04/09/18 5:00 PM (4/3)</p>	
<p><a href="#"><u>SB 445</u></a></p>			<p>An Act Concerning An Analysis Of The Recommendations Of The Commission On Fiscal Stability And Economic Growth.</p> <p>To require the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development to conduct an analysis of the recommendations made by the Commission on Fiscal Stability and Economic Growth.</p>	<p>Commerce Committee</p>	<p>Committees: CE</p> <p>Status: Referred to Office of Legislative Research and Office of Fiscal Analysis 04/09/18 5:00 PM (4/3)</p>	

<p><a href="#">SB 450</a></p>		<p>An Act Concerning Municipal Volunteer Services.</p> <p>To prohibit municipalities from entering into collective bargaining agreements that limit the ability of municipalities to permit volunteer services for the benefit of municipalities.</p>	<p>Planning and Development Committee</p>	<p>Committees: PD</p> <p>Status: Referred to Office of Legislative Research and Office of Fiscal Analysis 04/09/18 5:00 PM (4/3)</p>	
<p><a href="#">SB 490</a></p>		<p>An Act Concerning Shared Municipal Services And Local Governments.</p> <p>To make certain changes to the composition and duties of the Connecticut Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations; specify that the chief executive officer of a municipality shall provide for the manner in which zoning regulations are enforced; specify that a committee established pursuant to a cooperative arrangement agreed to by two or</p>	<p>Planning and Development Committee</p>	<p>Committees: PD</p> <p>Status: Filed with Legislative Commissioners' Office (3/26)</p>	

<p><a href="#"><u>SB 526</u></a></p>		<p>An Act Authorizing Bonds Of The State To Assist In The Implementation Of The Hartford School District Consolidation Plan.</p> <p>To prevent the closure of the L.W. Batchelder Elementary School in the Hartford School District.</p>	<p>Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee</p>	<p>Committees: FIN</p> <p>Status: FIN Public Hearing: Mon 4/2 10:30 AM @ Room 2E (3/29)</p>	
<p><a href="#"><u>SB 530</u></a></p>		<p>An Act Concerning Contributions To State-wide And Municipal Community Supporting Organizations.</p> <p>To provide for tax credits for cash donations made by taxpayers to approved state-wide and municipal community supporting organizations.</p>	<p>Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee</p>	<p>Committees: FIN</p> <p>Status: FIN Public Hearing: Mon 4/2 10:30 AM @ Room 2E (3/29)</p>	
<p><a href="#"><u>SB 533</u></a></p>		<p>An Act Concerning A Study Of State Revenue Policies.</p> <p>To require the Commissioner of Revenue Services to study the revenue policies of the state.</p>	<p>Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee</p>	<p>Committees: FIN</p> <p>Status: FIN Public Hearing: Mon 4/2 10:30 AM @ Room 2E (3/29)</p>	

<p><a href="#">SB 538</a></p>		<p>An Act Establishing An Office Of Regional Efficiency Development.</p> <p>To establish an Office of Regional Efficiency Development to identify and improve the delivery of municipal services on a regional basis.</p>	<p>Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee</p>	<p>Committees: FIN</p> <p>Status: FIN Public Hearing: Mon 4/2 10:30 AM @ Room 2E (3/29)</p>	
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