



CRCOG Weekly Legislative Report

2018 Legislative Session

March 15, 2018

Weekly Legislative Feature Issues:

Public hearings continue to dominate the calendar of the General Assembly for another week, but committee meetings are quickly becoming the focus of the committees' work with final committee deadlines beginning to pass.

Additionally, Senator Gayle Slossberg, a Democrat representing Milford, Orange, West Haven, and Woodbridge and the Chair of the Education and Housing Committees announced that she would not be seeking re-election in the upcoming general election in Fall 2018. She was first elected in 2004 and served seven terms in the General Assembly. She has been a tireless advocate for job creation, education, and housing reform in Connecticut as a state senator.

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

CCM Backs Plan to Revitalize CT—Despite Risk to Local Aid

Following the unveiling of the Commission on Fiscal Stability and Economic Growth that challenged legislators and others to accept its diverse and potentially painful panoply of recommendations en masse, Connecticut's municipalities have pledged to rise to that challenge. Even though the Commission proposal could result in reduced or even eliminated state aid in the coming years, the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities endorsed the Commission's full report arguing it offers more long-term benefits for the state and its communities.

CCM Executive Director Joe DeLong noted that among the Commission's recommendations, there were several centered on new revenue-raising options for cities and towns and collective bargaining changes that are vital reforms that offset another recommendation to dramatically reduce the state budget.

These recommendations, include:

- Empowering municipal coalitions to add one-half of 1 percentage point to the sales tax rate to fund regional services and diversify local budgets that rely excessively on property taxes.
- Allowing regional coalitions of municipalities to raise supplemental taxes for capital projects by special referendum.

- Allowing communities, through regional councils of government, to charge fees on nonprofit colleges and hospitals, which currently are exempt from local property taxation.
- Permitting towns to increase fees for use of the public rights of way, storm water fees, hotels, car rentals, restaurants and other services.
- Urging the state to increase the grants it already provides to restore some of the funds communities lose because state property is exempt from local taxation.

Additionally, the Commission proposed several changes to collective bargaining that earned CCM's endorsement.

- Allowing communities to use non-union labor on rehabilitation projects costing less than \$1 million.
- Providing communities with a single, neutral arbitrator for labor negotiations.
- And exempting a city or town's emergency budget reserve from being used to pay for labor contract settlements.

Mr. DeLong noted that the Commission adhered to the notion that a "rising tide lifts all ships," with "a lot of very good components in that report.

[CT Mirror: CCM Backs Plan to Revitalize CT—Despite Risk to Local Aid 3-14-2018.](#)

Push for Tolls Moving Full Throttle

The Transportation Committee is expected to vote on advancing proposals for electronic tolls within the next several days and advocates say that they believe there is sufficient support in both the House and the Senate to achieve final passage of these proposals.

Advocates and critics of electronic tolling agree that Connecticut's transportation infrastructure is falling apart and those that have been supporting the implementation of these measures believe that this year is the year tolls will be greenlit.

The Department of Transportation stated that imposing tolls at Connecticut's borders would violate federal law and more significantly the US Constitution's Commerce Clause. On the other hand, their legal experts believe that multiple electronic tolling checkpoints would not violate the Constitution.

Commissioner Redeker told the Transportation Committee's membership that "if Connecticut implemented tolls on our limited access highways, out of state motorists could pay over 40% of the total toll revenues generated." Meanwhile, Republicans say that the number is inflated citing independent research that shows out of state drivers paying just 25% of the total tolling revenue.

Committee co-chair, Rep. Tony Guerrero commented that “we need some type of sustainable revenue to come into the S.T.F. and tolls isn’t the cure for everything, but it’s sustainable revenue.”

[WTNH: Push for Tolls Moving Full Throttle 3-14-2018](#)

Global IT Giant Infosys to Bring 1000 jobs to Hartford

The State of Connecticut struck a deal to bring India-based IT company and outsourcing provider, Infosys, to Hartford in the next five years thanks to a \$14 million state grant. This opportunity will bring 1000 new jobs to Hartford. The integration of Infosys into Hartford will allow New England clients to be better served with improved digitized services in the insurance, health care, and manufacturing sectors. Hartford’s close proximity to renowned academic institutions enables Infosys to choose from a very skilled and highly educated hiring pool

Ravi Kumar, Infosys’ President and DCOO was brought into this deal after being impressed with how gubernatorial candidate, Ned Lamont, pitched Hartford as the next city to bring Infosys into the future. Governor Malloy and his administration has had long and hard negotiations with Infosys and regards it as his administration’s best kept secret. Mayor Bronin expresses strong support for the increase in employment from Infosys and its potential to revive the city and revamp Hartford’s economic ecosystem. Political leaders, such as Senator Fasano have an optimistic view and hopes that Infosys will inspire other companies and other opportunities to consider Connecticut and for existing companies to stay.

Infosys will fund purchases of computers and equipment from a DECD grant of \$12 million, all dependent of job milestones according to the First Five Program. In addition, the company will receive \$2 million in grants to train employees. Infosys currently has a location in Indiana and is developing sites in North Carolina and Rhode Island.

[Hartford Business Journal: Global IT Giant Infosys to Bring 1000 Jobs to Hartford 3-14-2018.](#)

Tracked Bills:

BILL STATUS LIST					
Bill Number	Priority	BA	Title & Synopsis	Sponsors	Status
HB 5045	3		An Act Establishing Accountability For Fair And Affordable Housing Through Zoning Regulations. To implement the	Rep. Joe Aresimowicz (30); Sen. Bob Duff (S25); Sen. Martin M. Looney (S11); Rep. Matthew Ritter (1)	Committees: PD Status: PD Public Hearing: Fri 3/16 11:15 AM @ Room 1A (3/13)

			Governor's budget recommendations.		
<u>HB 5046</u>	3		<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: TRA Public Hearing: Wed 3/14 10:30 AM @ Room 1E (3/8)</p>
<u>HB 5051</u>	3		<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><u>HB 5069</u></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><u>HB 5072</u></p>	<p>3</p>	<p>An Act Reimbursing Certain Municipalities For The Loss Of Motor Vehicle Tax Revenue.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><u>HB 5073</u></p>	<p>3</p>	<p>An Act Restoring Holdbacks To The State Budget.</p> <p>To restore budget holdbacks made by the Governor during the current fiscal year.</p>	<p>Rep. Tim Ackert (8)</p>	<p>Committees: APP</p> <p>Status: Referred to Joint Committee on Appropriations (2/14)</p>

<p><u>HB 5079</u></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><u>HB 5083</u></p>	<p>3</p>	<p>An Act Concerning The Full Funding Of Special Education.</p> <p>To require the state to pay the full cost of special education.</p>	<p>Rep. Doug Dubitsky (47)</p>	<p>Committees: ED</p> <p>Status: Referred to Joint Committee on Education (2/14)</p>
<p><u>HB 5123</u></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><u>HB 5143</u></p>	<p>3</p>	<p>An Act Lowering The Age Of Eligibility For Property Tax Relief For Elderly Persons.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: AGE</p> <p>Public Hearing: Thu 3/1 10:00 AM @ Room 1B (2/23)</p>

<p><u>HB 5150</u></p>	<p>3</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.</p> <p>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: PH</p> <p>Status: PH Public Hearing: Mon 3/5 11:00 AM @ Room 1D (3/1)</p>
<p><u>HB 5167</u></p>	<p>3</p>	<p>An Act Increasing The Amount A Board Of Education 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>	<p>Education Committee</p>	<p>Committees: ED</p> <p>Status: ED Public Hearing: Mon 2/26 11:00 AM @ Room 1E (2/22)</p>

<p><u>HB 5171</u></p>	<p>3</p>	<p>An Act Prohibiting The Executive Branch From Making Rescissions Or Other Reductions To The Education Cost Sharing Grant During The Fiscal Year.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: EDStatus:ED Public Hearing: Mon 2/26 11:00 AM @ Room 1E (2/22)</p>
<p><u>HB 5183</u></p>	<p>3</p>	<p>An Act Requiring A Study Of The Planning, Development And Financing Of Municipal Entertainment Districts.</p> <p>To require the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management to conduct a study concerning the planning, development and financing of municipal entertainment districts.</p>	<p>Planning and Development Committee</p>	<p>Committees: PD</p> <p>Status: PD Public Hearing: Mon 2/26 10:00 AM @ Room 2B (2/22)</p>

<p><u>HB 5184</u></p>	<p>3</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: PD Public Hearing: Mon 3/5 11:15 AM @ Room 2D (3/1)</p>
<p><u>HB 5199</u></p>	<p>3</p>	<p>An Act Allowing Certain Municipalities To Create Property Tax Relief Programs For Graduates Of Certain Educational Institutions Located In Connecticut.To allow the eight municipalities with largest populations in this state to create a program providing property tax relief as an incentive for certain graduates to buy a first home in such municipalities.</p>	<p>Housing Committee</p>	<p>Committees: HSGStatus:Filed with Legislative Commissioners' Office (3/15)</p>

<p>HB 5229</p>	<p>3</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: PS Public Hearing: Tue 2/27 11:00 AM @ Room 2B (2/23)</p>
<p>HB 5283</p>		<p>An Act Concerning Neighborhood Revitalization Zones.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: PDStatus:PD Public Hearing: Mon 3/5 11:15 AM @ Room 2D (3/1)</p>

<p><u>HB 5285</u></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: PD Public Hearing: Mon 3/5 11:15 AM @ Room 2D (3/1)</p>
<p><u>HB 5286</u></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: PD Public Hearing: Mon 3/5 11:15 AM @ Room 2D (3/1)</p>
<p><u>HB 5317</u></p>		<p>An Act Concerning Municipal Veterans' Representatives.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: VAStatus:Filed with Legislative Commissioners' Office (3/15)</p>

<p><u>HB 5324</u></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: Referred to Joint Committee on Appropriations (3/1)</p>
<p><u>HB 5325</u></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><u>HB 5339</u></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: ED Public Hearing: Thu 3/8 11:00 AM @ Room 1A (3/2)</p>

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>HB 5355</u></p>		<p>An Act Establishing Standards For The Adequacy Of Dog Shelter During Extreme Weather Conditions.To establish certain requirements for what constitutes adequate shelter for a dog during adverse weather conditions.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Environment Committee</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Committees: ENVStatus:Filed with Legislative Commissioners' Office (3/15)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>HB 5362</u></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 style="text-align: center;">Environment Committee</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Committees: ENV</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Status: Filed with Legislative Commissioners' Office (3/15)</p>

<p><u>HB 5391</u></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 purposes of developing electronic tolling systems on the highways of this state.</p>	<p>Transportation Committee</p>	<p>Committees: TRA</p> <p>Status: TRA Public Hearing: Wed 3/14 10:30 AM @ Room 1E (3/8)</p>
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<p>HB 5436</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. 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: CEStatus:CE Public Hearing: Tue 3/20 11:30 AM @ Room 1C (3/15)</p>
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<p><u>HB 5456</u></p>		<p>An Act Concerning Local Representation On The Connecticut Siting Council And The Language Of Property Owner Notices For Certain Facility Applications.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: ENVStatus:ENV Public Hearing: Fri 3/16 11:00 AM @ Room 2B (3/9)</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><u>HB 5482</u></p>		<p>An Act Concerning The Recommendations Of The Fair Housing Working Group.</p> <p>To implement minor and technical revisions to zoning statutes, require that municipalities demonstrate compliance with certain zoning regulation requirements, implement certain zoning requirements regarding affordable housing, and establish a transit-oriented development planning task force.</p>	<p>Planning and Development Committee</p>	<p>Committees: PD</p> <p>Status: PD Public Hearing: Fri 3/16 11:15 AM @ Room 1A (3/13)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>HB 5483</u></p>		<p>An Act Authorizing A Study Of The Creation Of A Land Bank Authority.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: PDStatus:PD Public Hearing: Fri 3/16 11:15 AM @ Room 1A (3/13)</p>

<p><u>HB 5486</u></p>		<p>An Act Concerning The Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority.</p> <p>To establish the Connecticut Municipal Redevelopment Authority.</p>	<p>Planning and Development Committee</p>	<p>Committees: PD</p> <p>Status: PD Public Hearing: Fri 3/16 11:15 AM @ Room 1A (3/13)</p>
<p><u>HB 5488</u></p>		<p>An Act Concerning Transit-oriented Development.</p> <p>To require the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management to conduct a study regarding a transit-oriented development plan.</p>	<p>Planning and Development Committee</p>	<p>Committees: PD</p> <p>Status: PD Public Hearing: Fri 3/16 11:15 AM @ Room 1A (3/13)</p>
<p><u>HB 5493</u></p>		<p>An Act Concerning A Study Of Residential Property Assessed Clean Energy.To require the Banking Commissioner to submit a report concerning the feasibility of establishing a residential property assessed clean energy program in this state.</p>	<p>Banking Committee</p>	<p>Committees: BAStatus:BA Public Hearing: Thu 3/15 02:30 PM @ Room 1E (3/13)</p>

<p><u>HB 5508</u></p>		<p>An Act Regulating The Erection Of Fences And The Planting Of Hedges And Trees That Obstruct Water Views.</p> <p>To allow municipalities to adopt ordinances regulating fences, hedges and trees that obstruct water views.</p>	<p>Planning and Development Committee</p>	<p>Committees: PD</p> <p>Status: PD Public Hearing: Fri 3/16 11:15 AM @ Room 1A (3/12)</p>
<p><u>HB 5509</u></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: PD Public Hearing: Fri 3/16 11:15 AM @ Room 1A (3/12)</p>
<p><u>HB 5510</u></p>		<p>An Act Concerning The Zoning Of Group Homes.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: PDStatus:PD Public Hearing: Fri 3/16 11:15 AM @ Room 1A (3/12)</p>

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>HB 5511</u></p>		<p>An Act Concerning The Taxation Of A Tenant's Motor Vehicle Located On A Landlord's Property.</p> <p>To prohibit municipalities from collecting motor vehicle taxes from a landlord simply because a tenant's vehicle is parked on the landlord's property.</p>	<p>Planning and Development Committee</p>	<p>Committees: PD</p> <p>Status: PD Public Hearing: Fri 3/16 11:15 AM @ Room 1A (3/12)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>HB 5517</u></p>		<p>An Act Concerning Executive Branch Data Management And Processes.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 improvement initiative, to require towns to transmit certain property assess</p>	<p>Government Administration and Elections Committee</p>	<p>Committees: GAEStatus:GAE Public Hearing: Mon 3/19 10:00 AM @ Room 2A (3/15)</p>

<p>HB 5535</p>			<p>An Act Concerning A Tax Credit For Certain Motor Vehicles.</p> <p>To authorize municipalities to allow a property tax credit for electric vehicles, hybrid electric vehicles and motor vehicles that run on biomass fuel.</p>	<p>Planning and Development Committee</p>	<p>Committees: PD</p> <p>Status: PD Public Hearing: Mon 3/19 11:15 AM @ Room 2B (3/15)</p>
<p>HB 5536</p>			<p>An Act Concerning Contractors With Objective Records Of Prior Poor Performance.To authorize municipal planning, zoning and planning and zoning commissions to require contractors with objective records of prior poor performance to post bonds in amounts and durations specified by such commissions.</p>	<p>Planning and Development Committee</p>	<p>Committees: PDStatus:PD Public Hearing: Mon 3/19 11:15 AM @ Room 2B (3/15)</p>
<p>SB 6</p>	<p>3</p>		<p>An Act Implementing The Governor's Budget Recommendations For General Government.</p> <p>To implement the</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: Referred to Joint Committee on Appropriations (2/8)</p>

			Governor's budget recommendations.		
<u>SB 8</u>	3		<p>An Act Implementing The Governor's Budget Recommendations Concerning Education.</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: ED</p> <p>Status: ED Public Hearing: Mon 2/26 11:00 AM @ Room 1E (2/22)</p>
<u>SB 25</u>	3		<p>An Act Concerning The Reimagining, Reinvesting And Linking Of Technical Education And Career Schools.To overhaul Connecticut's workforce pipeline and to provide training to students that will prepare them with the work skills needed to meet the state's growing workforce needs.</p>	<p>Sen. Douglas McCrory (S2)</p>	<p>Committees: EDStatus:Referred to Joint Committee on Education (2/14)</p>

<p><u>SB 161</u></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><u>SB 181</u></p>	<p>3</p>	<p>An Act Establishing A Pilot Program For The Preservation Of Open Space.To require the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management to establish a pilot program to permit certain municipalities to impose a buyer's fee on the conveyance of certain real property sales to generate funds for the purchase, preservation or stewardship of open space.</p>	<p>Planning and Development Committee</p>	<p>Committees: PDStatus:PD Public Hearing: Mon 2/26 10:00 AM @ Room 2B (2/22)</p>

<p><u>SB 182</u></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: PD Public Hearing: Mon 2/26 10:00 AM @ Room 2B (2/22)</p>
<p><u>SB 184</u></p>	<p>3</p>	<p>An Act Concerning Authorization Of State Grant Commitments For School Building Projects.To authorize state grant commitments for school building projects.</p>	<p>Education Committee</p>	<p>Committees: EDStatus:ED Public Hearing: Mon 2/26 11:00 AM @ Room 1E (2/22)</p>

<p><u>SB 199</u></p>	<p>3</p>	<p>An Act Concerning Special Education Funding.</p> <p>To alter the manner in which special education is funded in this state.</p>	<p>Insurance and Real Estate Committee</p>	<p>Committees: INS</p> <p>Status: INS Public Hearing: Tue 2/27 12:00 PM @ Room 2D (2/23)</p>
<p><u>SB 263</u></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: CE Public Hearing: Thu 3/8 11:00 AM @ Room 1C (3/2)</p>
<p><u>SB 264</u></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: CE Public Hearing: Thu 3/8 11:00 AM @ Room 1C (3/2)</p>

<p><u>SB 272</u></p>		<p>An Act Concerning Municipal Construction Projects.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: PDStatus:PD Public Hearing: Mon 3/5 11:15 AM @ Room 2D (3/1)</p>
<p><u>SB 274</u></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: PD Public Hearing: Mon 3/5 11:15 AM @ Room 2D (3/1)</p>

<p><u>SB 292</u></p>		<p>An Act Concerning Public-private Partnerships.To amend the current public-private partnership statutes and enhance the Department of Transportation's ability to utilize these agreements in designing, developing, financing, constructing, operating or maintaining projects.</p>	<p>Transportation Committee</p>	<p>Committees: TRASatus:TRA Public Hearing: Mon 3/5 10:30 AM @ Room 1E (3/1)</p>
<p><u>SB 334</u></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 energy-related products using</p>	<p>Energy and Technology Committee</p>	<p>Committees: ET</p> <p>Status: ET Public Hearing: Tue 3/6 01:00 PM @ Room 2E (3/2)</p>

			nonprofit energy buying consortia.		
<u>SB 339</u>			An Act Extending The Prohibition On Municipal Ordinances Concerning Invasive Plants.To extend the prohibition on municipal ordinances concerning invasive plants.	Environment Committee	Committees: ENVStatus:ENV Public Hearing: Fri 3/16 11:00 AM @ Room 2B (3/9)

<p><u>SB 343</u></p>		<p>An Act Concerning The Effects Of Climate Change On The Safety Plans Of Certain Chemical Facilities In The State And Residents Of Distressed Municipalities.</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>	<p>Environment Committee</p>	<p>Committees: ENV</p> <p>Status: ENV Public Hearing: Wed 3/14 01:00 PM @ Room 2B (3/9)</p>
<p><u>SB 349</u></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: Filed with Legislative Commissioners' Office (3/15)</p>

<p><u>SB 356</u></p>		<p>An Act Concerning Licensing Requirements For Operators Of Certain Short-term Rental Properties.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: HSGStatus:Filed with Legislative Commissioners' Office (3/15)</p>
<p><u>SB 364</u></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: ED Public Hearing: Thu 3/8 11:00 AM @ Room 1A (3/2)</p>
<p><u>SB 365</u></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><u>SB 368</u></p>		<p>An Act Concerning Transportation Funding.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: APPStatus:Referred to Joint Committee on Appropriations (3/1)</p>
<p><u>SB 386</u></p>		<p>An Act Concerning Legislative Approval Before The Department Of Transportation Increases Railroad Fare Or Decreases Services.</p> <p>To require legislative approval before the Department of Transportation may increase railroad fare or decrease services.</p>	<p>Transportation Committee</p>	<p>Committees: TRA</p> <p>Status: TRA Public Hearing: Wed 3/14 10:30 AM @ Room 1E (3/8)</p>
<p><u>SB 389</u></p>		<p>An Act Establishing The Connecticut Transportation Authority.</p> <p>To establish the Connecticut Transportation Authority to develop and implement</p>	<p>Transportation Committee</p>	<p>Committees: TRA</p> <p>Status: TRA Public Hearing: Wed 3/14 10:30 AM @ Room 1E (3/8)</p>

			electronic tolling systems.		
			An Act Requiring A Two-thirds Vote Of The General Assembly To Create Or Enlarge Municipal Mandates.To require a two-thirds vote of each house of the General Assembly to enact legislation that creates or enlarges a state mandate to local governments.	Planning and Development Committee	Committees: PDStatus:PD Public Hearing: Fri 3/16 11:15 AM @ Room 1A (3/12)
			An Act Concerning Municipal Budget Reserves For The Biennium Ending June 30, 2019. To revise municipal budget reserve language that was passed as part of the state budget for the biennium ending June 30, 2019.	Planning and Development Committee	Committees: PD Status: PD Public Hearing: Fri 3/16 11:15 AM @ Room 1A (3/12)

<p><u>SB 423</u></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: PD Public Hearing: Fri 3/16 11:15 AM @ Room 1A (3/12)</p>
<p><u>SB 445</u></p>		<p>An Act Concerning An Analysis Of The Recommendations Of The Commission On Fiscal Stability And Economic Growth.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: CEStatus:CE Public Hearing: Tue 3/20 11:30 AM @ Room 1C (3/15)</p>
<p><u>SB 450</u></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</p>	<p>Planning and Development Committee</p>	<p>Committees: PD</p> <p>Status: PD Public Hearing: Fri 3/16 11:15 AM @ Room 1A (3/12)</p>

			benefit of municipalities.		
<u>SB 451</u>			<p>An Act Concerning The Minimum Budget Requirement.</p> <p>To allow a board of education to reduce its budgeted appropriation for education in an amount equal to any reductions in its education cost sharing grant during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018.</p>	Education Committee	<p>Committees: ED</p> <p>Status: Referred to Joint Committee on Education (3/7)</p>
<u>SB 482</u>			<p>An Act Concerning The Subdivision Of Land And Open Space.To limit the amount of land that shall be dedicated to open space to not more than twenty per cent of a proposed subdivision.</p>	Planning and Development Committee	<p>Committees: PD</p> <p>Status:PD Public Hearing: Fri 3/16 11:15 AM @ Room 1A (3/12)</p>

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>SB 490</u></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: PD Public Hearing: Mon 3/19 11:15 AM @ Room 2B (3/15)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>SB 491</u></p>		<p>An Act Concerning Municipal Resource Recovery Authorities.</p> <p>To subject real and personal property owned by municipal resource recovery authorities to municipal taxation.</p>	<p>Planning and Development Committee</p>	<p>Committees: PD</p> <p>Status: PD Public Hearing: Mon 3/19 11:15 AM @ Room 2B (3/15)</p>

<p><u>SB 492</u></p>		<p>An Act Concerning The Zoning Of Solar Farms.To require solar farms to comply with local planning and zoning requirements.</p>	<p>Planning and Development Committee</p>	<p>Committees: PDStatus:PD Public Hearing: Mon 3/19 11:15 AM @ Room 2B (3/15)</p>
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