

To: CRCOG Transportation Committee

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Subject: 2022 Connecticut General Assembly – Draft Bills Related to Transportation

The Connecticut General Assembly 2022 Regular Session convened February 9, 2022 and is scheduled to adjourn on May 4th. Listed below are Bills related to various transportation issues as well as their statements of purpose. You can click on a Bill number to link to its full text, or you can view all Bills on the Connecticut General Assembly website at <https://www.cga.ct.gov/>.

- [HB-5254](#) **AN ACT ENSURING ACCESS TO PARKING NEAR PUBLIC BEACHES AND RECREATIONAL AND SCENIC AREAS**
To prohibit municipalities that receive town-aid grants for roads from restricting access to parking near public beaches and recreational and scenic areas.
- [HB-5255](#) **AN ACT CONCERNING RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**
To implement the recommendations of the Department Of Transportation
- [HB-5256](#) **AN ACT STUDYING THE CONSOLIDATION OF LOCAL AND REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICTS**
To establish a task force to study the consolidation of local and regional transit districts.
- [HB-5257](#) **AN ACT ESTABLISHING A MUNICIPAL GRANT FOR ROAD SIGNS ERECTED TO PROMOTE ROAD SAFETY**
To establish a grant program to reimburse municipalities the cost of road signs erected to promote road safety.
- [HB-5258](#) **AN ACT CONCERNING MOVING OVER WHEN APPROACHING CERTAIN EMERGENCY VEHICLES**
To require drivers to reduce the speed of a motor vehicle to twenty miles per hour when approaching a stationary emergency vehicle on the shoulder, lane or breakdown lane of a highway.
- [HB-5381](#) **AN ACT CONCERNING THE FEDERAL CLEAN AIR ACT FEE ON MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRY**
To ensure that the revenue collected from the "federal Clean Air Act fee" is used to fund green transportation initiatives.
- [SB-4](#) **AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONNECTICUT CLEAN AIR ACT**
To reduce carbon emissions by expanding public and private utilization of electric vehicles in Connecticut to protect human health and the environment.

- SB-78** **AN ACT PROHIBITING THE STATE SUBSIDIZATION OF THE HARTFORD-NEW BRITAIN BUSWAY**
To prohibit the subsidization of the Hartford-New Britain busway and ensure that the passenger rates for ridership pay the cost of operation.
- SB-106** **AN ACT CONCERNING LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT AND APPROVAL FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING**
To require legislative oversight and approval for the expenditure of federal transportation infrastructure funds.
- SB-215** **AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A TRANSPORTATION ENGINEERING RECRUITMENT PROGRAM.**
To require the Commissioners of Administrative Services and Transportation to develop a transportation engineering recruitment program
- SB-216** **AN ACT CONCERNING THE EXPANSION OF PASSENGER RAIL SERVICE ON THE WATERBURY BRANCH OF THE METRO-NORTH COMMUTER RAILROAD**
To expand the Waterbury branch of the New Haven Line to include the towns of Seymour, Shelton and Derby
- SB-389** **AN ACT CONCERNING TRAFFIC MITIGATION**
To (1) require police officers receive training regarding traffic incident management, (2) require the removal of motor vehicles from the travel portion of any highway after an accident, (3) permit operators of battery electric vehicles to use high occupancy vehicle lanes, and (4) require the Commissioner of Transportation to submit a plan regarding the use of unmanned aerial vehicles to perform investigations and inspections.
- SB-390** **AN ACT CONCERNING REVISIONS TO THE TRANSPORTATION STATUTES.**
To revise the transportation statutes regarding (1) golf carts, (2) the use of high occupancy lanes by blood transport vehicles and emergency response vehicles, (3) the installation of wrongway signs, (4) the local transportation capital program, (5) town aid road grants, (6) rail improvements on the Hartford line, and (7) a pilot program to test microtransit services.
- SB-393** **AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PILOT PROGRAM DELEGATING THE MANAGEMENT OF SMALL-SCALE TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS TO THE CAPITOL REGION COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS**
To establish a pilot program delegating the management of small-scale transportation projects to the Capitol Region Council of Governments