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COMMITTEE ACTION REPORT

The following is a list of bills acted upon by committee during the period 02/28/2005 to 03/04/2005:

Appropriations

No Committee Actions Reported.

Banks

No Committee Actions Reported.

Commerce

Proposed H.B. No. 5498 AN ACT REQUIRING REPRESENTATION OF THE CAPITAL CITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ON THE CONNECTICUT COMMISSION ON CULTURE AND TOURISM.

03/01/2005 **Vote to Draft**

Proposed H.B. No. 5907 AN ACT CREATING THE CONNECTICUT MANUFACTURING CREATIVITY FUND ADMINISTERED BY CONNSTEP.

03/01/2005 **Vote to Draft**

Proposed H.B. No. 5909 AN ACT CONCERNING CRITERIA FOR ENTERPRISE CORRIDOR ZONES.

03/03/2005 **Vote to Draft**

Proposed H.B. No. 5911 AN ACT CONCERNING FUNDING FOR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT.

03/03/2005 **Vote to Draft**

Proposed H.B. No. 5912 AN ACT PROMOTING STEM CELL RESEARCH IN THE STATE.

03/01/2005 **Vote to Draft**

Proposed H.B. No. 6018 AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A MUNICIPAL PARKING GARAGE IN MIDDLETOWN.

03/01/2005 **Merged into SB-452**

Proposed H.B. No. 6242 AN ACT PROVIDING ASSISTANCE FOR MINORITY BUSINESS ASSOCIATIONS IN GREATER WATERBURY.

03/01/2005 **Vote to Draft**

Proposed H.B. No. 6491 AN ACT CONCERNING THE WILLIMANTIC ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICT.

03/01/2005 **Merged into SB-452**

Proposed H.B. No. 6496 AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES OF THE SPANISH-AMERICAN MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION.

03/01/2005 **Vote to Draft**

Commerce (Continued)

Proposed H.B. No. 6499 AN ACT CONCERNING CERTAIN PUBLIC INVESTMENT COMMUNITIES.

03/01/2005 **Vote to Draft**

Proposed H.B. No. 6500 AN ACT CONCERNING A GRANT TO THE ASPINOCK HISTORICAL SOCIETY FOR THE RESTORATION AND RENOVATION OF CADY COPP COTTAGE IN PUTNAM.

03/01/2005 **Vote to Draft**

Proposed H.B. No. 6501 AN ACT AUTHORIZING CREATION OF NUTMEG ZONES.

03/03/2005 **Vote to Draft**

Proposed H.B. No. 6503 AN ACT EXTENDING ENTERPRISE ZONE BENEFITS TO ALL HIGH TECHNOLOGY COMPANIES LOCATED IN DISTRESSED MUNICIPALITIES.

03/03/2005 **Vote to Draft**

Proposed H.B. No. 6505 AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS AT THE MARITIME AQUARIUM AT NORWALK.

03/01/2005 **Merged into SB-452**

Proposed S.B. No. 201 AN ACT CONCERNING PROPERTY TAX CREDITS FOR OWNER-OCCUPIED MULTI-FAMILY DWELLINGS.

03/03/2005 **Vote to Draft**

Proposed S.B. No. 356 AN ACT CONCERNING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE FREEDOM SCHOONER AMISTAD.

03/01/2005 **Merged into SB-855**

Proposed S.B. No. 359 AN ACT CONCERNING THE FUNDING OF THE CONNECTICUT RURAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL.

03/01/2005 **Vote to Draft**

Proposed S.B. No. 452 AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR THE PRESERVATION AND RENOVATION OF THE ELI WHITNEY MUSEUM'S HOMESTEAD BOARDING HOUSE FOR MEN IN HAMDEN.

03/01/2005 **Vote to Draft**

Proposed S.B. No. 453 AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF DOWNTOWN ANSONIA.

03/01/2005 **Merged into SB-452**

Proposed S.B. No. 855 AN ACT CONCERNING FUNDING FOR THE FREEDOM SCHOONER AMISTAD.

03/01/2005 **Vote to Draft**

S.B. No. 909 (COMM) AN ACT SUSTAINING ARTS, CULTURE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

03/01/2005 **Vote to Draft**

Proposed S.B. No. 910 AN ACT CONCERNING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN EASTERN CONNECTICUT.

03/03/2005 **Vote to Draft**

Commerce (Continued)

Proposed S.B. No. 913 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PROGRAM FOR JOB TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE IN DISTRESSED MUNICIPALITIES.

03/03/2005 Vote to Draft

Education

No Committee Actions Reported.

Energy and Technology

H.B. No. 5126 (COMM) AN ACT CONCERNING CELLULAR MOBIL TELEPHONE NUMBER DIRECTORIES.

03/01/2005 Vote to Draft

Proposed H.B. No. 5567 AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONSERVATION AND LOAD MANAGEMENT PROGRAM FUNDS.

03/03/2005 Vote to Draft

H.B. No. 5921 (COMM) AN ACT ESTABLISHING A LOW-INCOME ENERGY ADVISORY BOARD.

03/01/2005 Vote to Draft

Proposed H.B. No. 6029 AN ACT CONCERNING MAXIMIZATION OF THE VALUE OF ELECTRIC UTILITY RATEPAYER ASSETS IN DISPOSITION OR LEASING.

03/01/2005 Vote to Draft

Proposed H.B. No. 6331 AN ACT CONCERNING A POWER PARK AT THE BRIDGEPORT PORT AUTHORITY.

03/03/2005 Change of Reference to Finance, Revenue and Bonding

H.B. No. 6729 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING OUTSIDE LEGAL COUNSEL TO REPRESENT THE OFFICE OF CONSUMER COUNSEL.

03/03/2005 Joint Favorable Substitute

S.B. No. 599 (COMM) AN ACT CONCERNING A COMMON UNIT OF ENERGY MEASUREMENT.

03/01/2005 Vote to Draft

Proposed S.B. No. 737 AN ACT CONCERNING BILLING OF ELECTRIC SERVICE.

03/01/2005 Vote to Draft

Proposed S.B. No. 740 AN ACT CONCERNING ALLOCATION OF MANDATED ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION CONGESTION COSTS.

03/01/2005 Vote to Draft

S.B. No. 914 (COMM) AN ACT CONCERNING PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAX REVENUE FROM RESTRUCTURING OF ELECTRIC INDUSTRY.

03/01/2005 Vote to Draft

Energy and Technology (Continued)

S.B. No. 1117 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING WORKERS DISPLACED AS A RESULT OF ELECTRIC RESTRUCTURING.

03/03/2005 Joint Favorable Substitute Change of Reference to Labor and Public Employees

Environment

No Committee Actions Reported.

Executive and Legislative Nominations

No Committee Actions Reported.

Finance, Revenue and Bonding

No Committee Actions Reported.

General Law

H.B. No. 6514 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING.

03/01/2005 Joint Favorable Substitute Change of Reference to Judiciary

H.B. No. 6518 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE REAL ESTATE COMMISSION.

03/01/2005 Joint Favorable Substitute

H.B. No. 6519 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING HEALTH CLUBS.

03/01/2005 Joint Favorable Substitute

H.B. No. 6520 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE RIGHT OF PERSONS PROVIDING SERVICES ON PUBLIC WORK PROJECTS TO BE PAID ON A SURETY BOND.

03/01/2005 Joint Favorable Substitute Change of Reference to Government Administration and Elections

H.B. No. 6730 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEFINITION OF PLUMBING AND PIPING WORK FOR PURPOSES OF LICENSURE.

03/01/2005 Joint Favorable

H.B. No. 6731 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING CERTAIN CLAIMS AGAINST THE STATE.

03/01/2005 Joint Favorable Change of Reference to Judiciary

S.B. No. 653 (COMM) AN ACT INCREASING THE CONTRACT AMOUNT FOR WHICH A MUNICIPALITY MUST RECEIVE A BOND ON A CONSTRUCTION OR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT.

03/01/2005 Joint Favorable

General Law (Continued)

S.B. No. 945 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE PRACTICE OF PHARMACY.
03/01/2005 Joint Favorable Substitute

S.B. No. 953 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING SCHEDULED EVENTS AT JUICE BARS.
03/01/2005 Joint Favorable Substitute

S.B. No. 1115 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE TRAINING OF PHARMACISTS.
03/01/2005 Joint Favorable Substitute

Government Administration and Elections

Proposed H.B. No. 5143 AN ACT CONCERNING THE RETENTION OF OUTSIDE LEGAL COUNSEL BY STATE AGENCIES.
02/28/2005 Merged into SB-94

H.B. No. 5953 (COMM) AN ACT CONCERNING THE INAPPROPRIATE INVESTMENT OF STATE FUNDS.
02/28/2005 Merged into SB-94

Proposed H.B. No. 6079 AN ACT CONCERNING LIGHT POLLUTION BY STATE AGENCIES.
02/28/2005 Merged into SB-94

Proposed H.B. No. 6087 AN ACT CONCERNING PUBLICLY TRADED COMPANIES THAT REINCORPORATE OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES.
02/28/2005 Merged into SB-94

S.B. No. 94 (COMM) AN ACT CONCERNING THE APPROVAL OF FAST TRACK CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS.
02/28/2005 Joint Favorable Substitute

S.B. No. 942 AN ACT CONCERNING A STATE CONTRACTING STANDARDS BOARD.
02/28/2005 Merged into SB-94

S.B. No. 1012 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING OVERSIGHT OF STATE CONTRACTS.
02/28/2005 Merged into SB-94

Higher Education and Employment Advancement

No Committee Actions Reported.

Human Services

No Committee Actions Reported.

Insurance and Real Estate

Proposed H.B. No. 5707 AN ACT CONCERNING TERMINATION OF INSURANCE PRODUCER CONTRACTS AND APPOINTMENTS.

03/03/2005 Vote to Draft

Proposed H.B. No. 6139 AN ACT CONCERNING LICENSURE AND OVERSIGHT OF SURETY BAIL BOND AGENTS.

03/03/2005 Vote to Draft

Proposed H.B. No. 6543 AN ACT CONCERNING HOMEOWNERS INSURANCE COVERAGE BASED ON BREED OF DOG.

03/03/2005 Vote to Draft

Proposed S.B. No. 27 AN ACT CONCERNING CAPTIVE INSURERS.

03/03/2005 Vote to Draft

Proposed S.B. No. 162 AN ACT CONCERNING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR PROSTHETIC DEVICES.

03/03/2005 Vote to Draft

Proposed S.B. No. 429 AN ACT CONCERNING WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS.

03/03/2005 Vote to Draft

Proposed S.B. No. 430 AN ACT CONCERNING AN INSURED'S SELECTION OF AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR SHOP.

03/03/2005 Vote to Draft

Proposed S.B. No. 435 AN ACT CONCERNING ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES PROVIDED BY INSURANCE PRODUCERS.

03/03/2005 Vote to Draft

Joint Committee on Legislative Management

No Committee Actions Reported.

Judiciary

No Committee Actions Reported.

Labor and Public Employees

H.B. No. 5040 (COMM) AN ACT CONCERNING LEAVE FOR MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES RESPONDING TO FIRE CALLS.

03/01/2005 Joint Favorable Change of Reference to Public Safety and Security

Substitute for H.B. No. 6640 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING JOB APPLICANT ACCESS TO CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECK RESULTS.

03/01/2005 Joint Favorable Substitute Change of Reference to Judiciary

Labor and Public Employees (Continued)

H.B. No. 6690 AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY SKILLS FUND PROGRAM.

03/01/2005 Joint Favorable Change of Reference to Appropriations

Planning and Development

No Committee Actions Reported.

Program Review and Investigations

No Committee Actions Reported.

Public Health

No Committee Actions Reported.

Public Safety and Security

Proposed H.B. No. 5158 AN ACT PROVIDING FUNDS FOR STATE POLICE OFFICER TRAINING CLASSES.

02/28/2005 Vote to Draft

Proposed H.B. No. 5159 AN ACT CONCERNING PENSION BENEFITS OF SURVIVING SPOUSES OF PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS.

02/28/2005 Vote to Draft

H.B. No. 5313 (COMM) AN ACT EXPANDING THE MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS OF POLICE OFFICERS.

02/28/2005 Vote to Draft

H.B. No. 5433 (COMM) AN ACT INCREASING THE VALUE OF PRIZES AWARDED AT RECREATIONAL BINGO GAMES FOR SENIOR CITIZENS.

02/28/2005 Vote to Draft

Proposed H.B. No. 5434 AN ACT CONCERNING SURVIVING SPOUSES OF POLICE OFFICERS AND FIREFIGHTERS KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY.

02/28/2005 Vote to Draft

H.B. No. 5842 (COMM) AN ACT INCREASING COMMISSIONS PAYABLE TO LOTTERY SALES AGENTS.

02/28/2005 Vote to Draft

Proposed H.B. No. 5846 AN ACT ENSURING THE SAFE EMERGENCY EXIT FROM CERTAIN OFFICE BUILDINGS.

02/28/2005 Vote to Draft

Public Safety and Security (Continued)

Proposed H.B. No. 5994 AN ACT REQUIRING CERTIFICATION IN CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION AND DEFIBRILLATION FOR POLICE OFFICERS.

02/28/2005 Vote to Draft

H.B. No. 5996 (COMM) AN ACT ALLOWING THE CONDUCT OF A FROG-RACE RAFFLE IN THE TOWN OF WINDHAM.

02/28/2005 Vote to Draft

H.B. No. 6190 (COMM) AN ACT CONCERNING INSPECTIONS BY LOCAL FIRE MARSHALS.

02/28/2005 Vote to Draft

Proposed H.B. No. 6198 AN ACT REQUIRING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A THREAT MATRIX AND CONCERNING THE DISBURSEMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY FUNDS.

02/28/2005 Vote to Draft

Proposed H.B. No. 6200 AN ACT REQUIRING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A STATE-WIDE DATABASE FOR USE BY POLICE OFFICERS.

02/28/2005 Vote to Draft

Proposed H.B. No. 6201 AN ACT REQUIRING UNIFORM APPLICATION OF THE STATE BUILDING CODE.

02/28/2005 Vote to Draft

H.B. No. 6204 (COMM) AN ACT ENSURING THAT MANUFACTURING FACILITIES COMPLY WITH FIRE SAFETY REGULATIONS.

02/28/2005 Vote to Draft

S.B. No. 73 (COMM) AN ACT ENSURING THE SAFETY OF DISABLED RESIDENTS OF CERTAIN BUILDINGS DURING EMERGENCY EVACUATIONS.

02/28/2005 Vote to Draft

S.B. No. 148 (COMM) AN ACT FACILITATING THE ISSUANCE OF PISTOL PERMITS.

02/28/2005 Vote to Draft

S.B. No. 156 (COMM) AN ACT ALLOWING SOCIAL CLUBS TO CONDUCT BAZAARS OR RAFFLES.

02/28/2005 Vote to Draft

S.B. No. 715 (COMM) AN ACT PROVIDING FUNDS FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF COMPUTERS IN STATE POLICE VEHICLES.

02/28/2005 Vote to Draft

Proposed S.B. No. 818 AN ACT CONCERNING VOLUNTEERS PARTICIPATING IN HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS DRILLS.

02/28/2005 Vote to Draft

Regulations Review

No Committee Actions Reported.

Select Committee on Aging

No Committee Actions Reported.

Select Committee on Children

Substitute for H.B. No. 6631 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING CHILDHOOD OBESITY.

03/01/2005 Joint Favorable Substitute Change of Reference to Public Health

Select Committee on Housing

No Committee Actions Reported.

Select Committee on Veterans' Affairs

H.B. No. 6628 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING FLASHING LIGHTS ON VEHICLES OF THE CONNECTICUT NATIONAL GUARD CIVIL SUPPORT TEAM.

03/01/2005 Joint Favorable Change of Reference to Transportation

H.B. No. 6629 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING MOBILIZATION SERVICE AWARDS FOR MEMBERS OF THE CONNECTICUT NATIONAL GUARD.

03/01/2005 Joint Favorable Change of Reference to Public Safety and Security

H.B. No. 6661 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING CREDIT IN THE STATE EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR CERTAIN MILITARY SERVICE.

03/01/2005 Joint Favorable Change of Reference to Appropriations

S.B. No. 1008 (RAISED) AN ACT CONSOLIDATING THE FITCH FUND AND THE POSTHUMOUS FUND FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE VETERANS' HOME.

03/01/2005 Joint Favorable Change of Reference to Finance, Revenue and Bonding

Substitute for S.B. No. 1010 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE INDEMNIFICATION OF MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE STATE.

03/01/2005 Joint Favorable Substitute Change of Reference to Judiciary

Substitute for S.B. No. 1030 (RAISED) AN ACT EXEMPTING FIFTY PER CENT OF THE RETIREMENT PAY OF RETIRED MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES AND THE NATIONAL GUARD FROM THE STATE INCOME TAX.

03/01/2005 Joint Favorable Substitute Change of Reference to Finance, Revenue and Bonding

Transportation

Proposed H.B. No. 5450 AN ACT CONCERNING WEARING OF A SEAT BELT BY BACK SEAT PASSENGERS IN A MOTOR VEHICLE.

03/04/2005 Vote to Draft

Transportation (Continued)

Proposed H.B. No. 5452 AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OF THE STATE FOR BRIDGEPORT'S PLEASURE BEACH RECREATIONAL FACILITY.

03/04/2005 Change of Reference to Finance, Revenue and Bonding

Proposed H.B. No. 5858 AN ACT CONCERNING THE ROUTE 11 GREENWAY AUTHORITY COMMISSION.

03/04/2005 Vote to Draft

Proposed H.B. No. 5867 AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE TO RENOVATE THE DEPOT STREET BRIDGE IN BEACON FALLS.

03/04/2005 Change of Reference to Finance, Revenue and Bonding

Proposed H.B. No. 6205 AN ACT CONCERNING TAXING DISTRICTS TO PAY FOR SOUND BARRIERS.

03/04/2005 Vote to Draft

Proposed H.B. No. 6213 AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE EXCHANGE OF DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PROPERTY WITH PROPERTY OWNED BY THE TOWN OF WESTBROOK.

03/04/2005 Vote to Draft

Proposed H.B. No. 6219 AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE TO CONSTRUCT THE CONGRESS STREET BRIDGE IN BRIDGEPORT.

03/04/2005 Change of Reference to Finance, Revenue and Bonding

Proposed H.B. No. 6327 AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OF THE STATE TO FUND SAFETY MEASURES DURING RECONSTRUCTION OF THE LAUREL HILL BRIDGE.

03/04/2005 Change of Reference to Finance, Revenue and Bonding

Proposed H.B. No. 6334 AN ACT CONCERNING FUNDING THE TOWN AID ROAD PROGRAM.

03/04/2005 Vote to Draft

Proposed H.B. No. 6561 AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A FLYOVER RAMP OFF SILVER LANE IN EAST HARTFORD.

03/04/2005 Change of Reference to Finance, Revenue and Bonding

Proposed S.B. No. 340 AN ACT CONCERNING WEIGHT LIMITS FOR TRANSPORTING ETHANOL-BLENDED GASOLINE IN COMMERCIAL VEHICLES.

03/04/2005 Vote to Draft

Proposed S.B. No. 568 AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR STREET AND SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS TO MAIN STREET SOUTH IN DANBURY.

03/04/2005 Change of Reference to Finance, Revenue and Bonding