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The Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding reported through REP. STAPLES of the 96th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF
TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS FOR
CONNECTICUT'S ECONOMIC FUTURE.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subdivision (4) of subsection (a) of section 13b-79p of the
2 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
3 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2007*):

4 (4) Developing [a] new commuter rail [station between New Haven
5 and Milford] stations in Orange and West Haven.

6 Sec. 2. Subdivision (11) of subsection (a) of section 13b-79p of the
7 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
8 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2007*):

9 (11) Funding the Commercial Vehicle Information System Network,
10 including electronic pre-clearance of safe truck operators for fixed scale
11 operations on Interstate 91 and Interstate 95, not to exceed four million

12 dollars.

13 Sec. 3. Subsection (a) of section 13b-79p of the general statutes is
14 amended by adding subdivisions (14) to (16), inclusive, as follows
15 (*Effective July 1, 2007*):

16 (NEW) (14) Purchasing not less than twenty-four electric rail cars for
17 use on the New Haven Line and Shore Line East commuter rail
18 services;

19 (NEW) (15) Funding the expansion of Shore Line East, including
20 increased parking, bridge repair, locomotive and rail car purchase, not
21 to exceed twenty-four million dollars; and

22 (NEW) (16) Improving bike access to and storage facilities at
23 transportation centers.

24 Sec. 4. (*Effective July 1, 2007*) (a) For the purposes described in
25 subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have
26 the power, from time to time, to authorize the issuance of bonds of the
27 state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in
28 the aggregate forty-three million dollars for capital costs for the fiscal
29 year ending June 30, 2008, and the next five fiscal years thereafter.

30 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the
31 amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the
32 Department of Transportation for the purpose of improving bus
33 connectivity and service, including cleaner buses, expanded parking
34 for express service, increases in service frequency, new enhanced
35 facilities and bus rapid transit.

36 (c) All provisions of sections 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, of the
37 general statutes, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby,
38 which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section are
39 hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State
40 Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in
41 anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such
42 bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said sections

43 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, and from time to time renewed. Such
44 bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding thirty years
45 from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the
46 resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing
47 such bonds. None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a
48 finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it
49 a request for such authorization which is signed by or on behalf of the
50 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and states such
51 terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may
52 require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be special tax
53 obligations of the state and all pledged revenues, as defined in
54 subdivision (4) of section 13b-75 of the general statutes, are pledged for
55 the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same
56 become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state
57 with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts from the
58 special transportation fund created under section 13b-68 of the general
59 statutes necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest
60 is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and
61 interest as the same become due.

62 Sec. 5. (*Effective July 1, 2007*) (a) For the purposes described in
63 subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have
64 the power, from time to time, to authorize the issuance of bonds of the
65 state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in
66 the aggregate seventy-five million dollars for the fiscal year ending
67 June 30, 2008, and seventy-five million dollars for the fiscal year
68 ending June 30, 2009.

69 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the
70 amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the
71 Department of Transportation for the purpose of establishing a Fix-it-
72 First program to repair the state's roads.

73 (c) All provisions of sections 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, of the
74 general statutes, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby,
75 which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section are

76 hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State
77 Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in
78 anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such
79 bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said sections
80 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, and from time to time renewed. Such
81 bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding thirty years
82 from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the
83 resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing
84 such bonds. None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a
85 finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it
86 a request for such authorization which is signed by or on behalf of the
87 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and states such
88 terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may
89 require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be special tax
90 obligations of the state and all pledged revenues, as defined in
91 subdivision (4) of section 13b-75 of the general statutes, are pledged for
92 the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same
93 become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state
94 with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts from the
95 special transportation fund created under section 13b-68 of the general
96 statutes necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest
97 is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and
98 interest as the same become due.

99 Sec. 6. (Effective July 1, 2007) (a) For the purposes described in
100 subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have
101 the power, from time to time, to authorize the issuance of bonds of the
102 state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in
103 the aggregate seventy-five million dollars for the fiscal year ending
104 June 30, 2008, and seventy-five million dollars for the fiscal year
105 ending June 30, 2009.

106 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the
107 amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the
108 Department of Transportation for the purpose of establishing a Fix-it-
109 First program to repair the state's bridges.

110 (c) All provisions of sections 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, of the
111 general statutes, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby,
112 which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section are
113 hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State
114 Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in
115 anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such
116 bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said sections
117 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, and from time to time renewed. Such
118 bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding thirty years
119 from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the
120 resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing
121 such bonds. None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a
122 finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it
123 a request for such authorization which is signed by or on behalf of the
124 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and states such
125 terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may
126 require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be special tax
127 obligations of the state and all pledged revenues, as defined in
128 subdivision (4) of section 13b-75 of the general statutes, are pledged for
129 the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same
130 become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state
131 with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts from the
132 special transportation fund created under section 13b-68 of the general
133 statutes necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest
134 is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and
135 interest as the same become due.

136 Sec. 7. (*Effective July 1, 2007*) (a) For the purposes described in
137 subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have
138 the power, from time to time, to authorize the issuance of bonds of the
139 state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in
140 the aggregate twenty million dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30,
141 2008, and twenty million dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30,
142 2009.

143 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the

144 amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the
145 Department of Transportation for the purpose of establishing a transit-
146 oriented development grant program to integrate, coordinate and plan
147 transit-oriented development around new and enhanced commuter
148 rail and bus centers that provide both mixed-use development and
149 housing. Such grants shall be given for planning and land acquisition,
150 and priority shall be given to applicants with projects near the Metro
151 North, Shore Line East and New Haven-Hartford-Springfield rail
152 stations and bus centers, and the New Britain to Hartford busway.
153 Eligible municipal applicants shall work in partnership with such
154 municipality's Council of Government, Regional Planning Agency or
155 Metropolitan Planning Organization. The Department of
156 Transportation may use not more than two per cent of the total
157 allocation for administrative purposes.

158 (c) All provisions of section 3-20 of the general statutes, or the
159 exercise of any right or power granted thereby, which are not
160 inconsistent with the provisions of this section are hereby adopted and
161 shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission
162 pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in anticipation of the
163 money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized
164 may be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to
165 time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not
166 exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided
167 in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond
168 Commission authorizing such bonds. None of said bonds shall be
169 authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that
170 there has been filed with it a request for such authorization which is
171 signed by or on behalf of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and
172 Management and states such terms and conditions as said commission,
173 in its discretion, may require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this
174 section shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and
175 credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the
176 principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due, and
177 accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of
178 said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual

179 payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the State
180 Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become
181 due.

182 Sec. 8. (*Effective July 1, 2007*) (a) For the purposes described in
183 subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have
184 the power, from time to time, to authorize the issuance of bonds of the
185 state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in
186 the aggregate eleven million two hundred thousand dollars.

187 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the
188 amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the
189 Department of Transportation for the purposes of repairing the
190 Maybrook Railroad Line.

191 (c) All provisions of sections 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, of the
192 general statutes, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby,
193 which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section are
194 hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State
195 Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in
196 anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such
197 bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said sections
198 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, and from time to time renewed. Such
199 bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding thirty years
200 from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the
201 resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing
202 such bonds. None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a
203 finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it
204 a request for such authorization which is signed by or on behalf of the
205 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and states such
206 terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may
207 require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be special tax
208 obligations of the state and all pledged revenues, as defined in
209 subdivision (4) of section 13b-75 of the general statutes, are pledged for
210 the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same
211 become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state

212 with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts from the
213 special transportation fund created under section 13b-68 of the general
214 statutes necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest
215 is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and
216 interest as the same become due.

217 Sec. 9. (*Effective July 1, 2007*) (a) For the purposes described in
218 subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have
219 the power, from time to time, to authorize the issuance of bonds of the
220 state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in
221 the aggregate five million dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30,
222 2008, and five million dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009.
223 Six hundred thousand dollars of such authorized amounts shall be
224 used to complete the Salmon Run Bikeway in Glastonbury, six
225 hundred thirty thousand dollars of such authorized amounts shall be
226 used to complete the Trout Brook Multiuse Trail in West Hartford, and
227 one hundred fifty thousand dollars of such authorized amounts shall
228 be used for a feasibility study, planning and preliminary design of the
229 Milford Town and Coastal Bikeway.

230 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the
231 amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the
232 Department of Environmental Protection for the purpose of
233 establishing a Connecticut bikeway grant program for municipal
234 grants. For the purposes of this section, "bikeway" means any road,
235 street, path or way which is specifically designated for bicycle travel,
236 even if such road, street, path or way is shared with other modes of
237 transportation.

238 (c) Such grants shall be used for planning, design, land acquisition,
239 construction, construction administration and publications for
240 bikeways and multiuse paths. Eligible projects may include: (1) Bike
241 trails that complete sections of the Connecticut portion of the East
242 Coast Greenway, (2) bikeways that connect to the East Coast
243 Greenway, and (3) bikeways or other multiuse paths established
244 within the State Recreational Trails Plan.

245 (d) Eligibility for such grants shall include, but not be limited to: (1)
246 A local match of twenty per cent, such match may be provided by
247 municipal, federal, other state, nonprofit or private funds, and for
248 applications including more than one municipality, the match
249 requirement shall be ten per cent, (2) municipal responsibility for
250 maintenance of such bikeways, (3) public input, and (4) designs that
251 comply with the 1999 American Association of State Highway
252 Transportation Official's "Guide for the Development of Bicycle
253 Facilities". Such grant money may be used to match federal funds
254 being used for the purposes listed in subsection (b) of this section.

255 (e) The Department of Environmental Protection may use not more
256 than two per cent of the total allocation for administrative purposes.
257 An advisory committee shall be established to advise on the allocation
258 of such funds. Membership of such committee shall comprise of trail
259 users and advocates, who shall be determined by the commissioner.
260 The Department of Transportation shall, in accordance with the
261 provisions of title 13a of the general statutes, work with the
262 Department of Environmental Protection in furtherance of such
263 program.

264 (f) All provisions of section 3-20 of the general statutes, or the
265 exercise of any right or power granted thereby, which are not
266 inconsistent with the provisions of this section are hereby adopted and
267 shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission
268 pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in anticipation of the
269 money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized
270 may be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to
271 time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not
272 exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided
273 in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond
274 Commission authorizing such bonds. None of said bonds shall be
275 authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that
276 there has been filed with it a request for such authorization which is
277 signed by or on behalf of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and
278 Management and states such terms and conditions as said commission,

279 in its discretion, may require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this
280 section shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and
281 credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the
282 principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due, and
283 accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of
284 said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual
285 payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the State
286 Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become
287 due.

288 Sec. 10. (*Effective July 1, 2007*) (a) For the purposes described in
289 subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have
290 the power, from time to time, to authorize the issuance of bonds of the
291 state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in
292 the aggregate twenty-five million dollars.

293 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the
294 amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the
295 Department of Transportation for the purpose of establishing a rail
296 station improvement program, not to exceed ten million dollars in the
297 fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, and not to exceed fifteen million
298 dollars in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009.

299 (c) All provisions of sections 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, of the
300 general statutes, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby,
301 which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section are
302 hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State
303 Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in
304 anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such
305 bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said sections
306 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, and from time to time renewed. Such
307 bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding thirty years
308 from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the
309 resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing
310 such bonds. None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a
311 finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it

312 a request for such authorization which is signed by or on behalf of the
313 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and states such
314 terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may
315 require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be special tax
316 obligations of the state and all pledged revenues, as defined in
317 subdivision (4) of section 13b-75 of the general statutes, are pledged for
318 the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same
319 become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state
320 with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts from the
321 special transportation fund created under section 13b-68 of the general
322 statutes necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest
323 is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and
324 interest as the same become due.

325 Sec. 11. (*Effective July 1, 2007*) (a) For the purposes described in
326 subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have
327 the power, from time to time, to authorize the issuance of bonds of the
328 state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in
329 the aggregate thirty million dollars.

330 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the
331 amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the
332 Department of Transportation for the purpose of constructing the
333 Greater Waterbury Multimodal Transportation Center.

334 (c) All provisions of sections 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, of the
335 general statutes, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby,
336 which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section are
337 hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State
338 Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in
339 anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such
340 bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said sections
341 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, and from time to time renewed. Such
342 bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding thirty years
343 from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the
344 resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing

345 such bonds. None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a
346 finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it
347 a request for such authorization which is signed by or on behalf of the
348 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and states such
349 terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may
350 require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be special tax
351 obligations of the state and all pledged revenues, as defined in
352 subdivision (4) of section 13b-75 of the general statutes, are pledged for
353 the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same
354 become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state
355 with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts from the
356 special transportation fund created under section 13b-68 of the general
357 statutes necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest
358 is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and
359 interest as the same become due.

360 Sec. 12. (*Effective July 1, 2007*) (a) For the purposes described in
361 subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have
362 the power, from time to time, to authorize the issuance of bonds of the
363 state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in
364 the aggregate thirty-five million dollars.

365 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the
366 amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the
367 Department of Transportation for the purpose of constructing a
368 parking garage at the Stamford Transportation Center, including
369 rights-of-way, other property acquisition and related projects.

370 (c) All provisions of sections 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, of the
371 general statutes, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby,
372 which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section are
373 hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State
374 Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in
375 anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such
376 bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said sections
377 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, and from time to time renewed. Such

378 bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding thirty years
379 from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the
380 resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing
381 such bonds. None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a
382 finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it
383 a request for such authorization which is signed by or on behalf of the
384 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and states such
385 terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may
386 require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be special tax
387 obligations of the state and all pledged revenues, as defined in
388 subdivision (4) of section 13b-75 of the general statutes, are pledged for
389 the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same
390 become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state
391 with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts from the
392 special transportation fund created under section 13b-68 of the general
393 statutes necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest
394 is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and
395 interest as the same become due.

396 Sec. 13. (*Effective July 1, 2007*) (a) For the purposes described in
397 subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have
398 the power, from time to time, to authorize the issuance of bonds of the
399 state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in
400 the aggregate seven hundred thousand dollars for the fiscal year
401 ending June 30, 2008.

402 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the
403 amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the
404 Department of Transportation for the purpose of conducting a study of
405 a Route 2 and 2A alternative. Such study shall be completed not later
406 than June 30, 2008.

407 (c) All provisions of sections 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, of the
408 general statutes, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby,
409 which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section are
410 hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State

411 Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in
412 anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such
413 bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said sections
414 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, and from time to time renewed. Such
415 bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding thirty years
416 from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the
417 resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing
418 such bonds. None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a
419 finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it
420 a request for such authorization which is signed by or on behalf of the
421 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and states such
422 terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may
423 require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be special tax
424 obligations of the state and all pledged revenues, as defined in
425 subdivision (4) of section 13b-75 of the general statutes, are pledged for
426 the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same
427 become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state
428 with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts from the
429 special transportation fund created under section 13b-68 of the general
430 statutes necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest
431 is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and
432 interest as the same become due.

433 Sec. 14. (*Effective July 1, 2007*) The State Bond Commission shall have
434 power, in accordance with the provisions of sections 14 to 19, inclusive,
435 of this act, from time to time to authorize the issuance of special tax
436 obligation bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal
437 amounts in the aggregate, not exceeding two hundred seventy-five
438 million six hundred eighty-eight thousand dollars.

439 Sec. 15. (*Effective July 1, 2007*) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds
440 to the extent hereinafter stated, shall be used for the purpose of
441 payment of the transportation costs, as defined in subdivision (6) of
442 section 13b-75 of the general statutes, with respect to the projects and
443 uses hereinafter described, which projects and uses are hereby found
444 and determined to be in furtherance of one or more of the authorized

445 purposes for the issuance of special tax obligation bonds set forth in
446 section 13b-74 of the general statutes.

447 For the Department of Transportation:

448 (a) For the Bureau of Engineering and Highway Operations:

449 (1) Interstate Highway Program, not exceeding twelve million
450 dollars;

451 (2) Urban Systems Projects, not exceeding eight million three
452 hundred thousand dollars;

453 (3) Intrastate Highway Program, not exceeding one hundred twelve
454 million nine hundred forty thousand dollars;

455 (4) Soil, water supply and groundwater remediation at or in the
456 vicinity of various maintenance facilities and former disposal areas,
457 not exceeding six million dollars; and

458 (5) State bridge improvement, rehabilitation and replacement
459 projects, not exceeding sixty-five million two hundred forty thousand
460 dollars.

461 (b) For the Bureau of Aviation and Ports:

462 (1) Reconstruction and improvements to the warehouse and State
463 Pier, New London including site improvements and improvements to
464 ferry slips, not exceeding one million four hundred thousand dollars;
465 and

466 (2) Development and improvement of general aviation airport
467 facilities including grants-in-aid to municipal airports, excluding
468 Bradley International Airport, not exceeding two million dollars.

469 (c) For the Bureau of Public Transportation: Bus and rail facilities
470 and equipment, including rights-of-way, other property acquisition
471 and related projects, not exceeding forty million one hundred eight
472 thousand dollars.

473 (d) For the Bureau of Administration:

474 (1) Department facilities, not exceeding six million four hundred
475 thousand dollars; and

476 (2) Cost of issuance of special tax obligation bonds and debt service
477 reserve, not exceeding twenty-one million three hundred thousand
478 dollars.

479 Sec. 16. (*Effective July 1, 2007*) None of said bonds shall be
480 authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that
481 there has been filed with it (1) a request for such authorization, which
482 is signed by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management or
483 by or on behalf of such state officer, department or agency and stating
484 such terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may
485 require, and (2) any capital development impact statement and any
486 human services facility collocation statement required to be filed with
487 the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management pursuant to
488 section 4-26b of the general statutes, any advisory report regarding the
489 state conservation and development policies plan required pursuant to
490 section 16a-31 of the general statutes, and any statement regarding
491 farm land required pursuant to subsection (g) of section 3-20 of the
492 general statutes and section 22-6 of the general statutes, provided the
493 State Bond Commission may authorize said bonds without a finding
494 that the reports and statements required by subdivision (2) of this
495 section have been filed with it if said commission authorizes the
496 secretary of said commission to accept such reports and statements on
497 its behalf. No funds derived from the sale of bonds authorized by said
498 commission without a finding that the reports and statements required
499 by subdivision (2) of this section have been filed with it shall be
500 allotted by the Governor for any project until the reports and
501 statements required by subdivision (2) of this section, with respect to
502 such project, have been filed with the secretary of said commission.

503 Sec. 17. (*Effective July 1, 2007*) For the purposes of sections 14 to 19,
504 inclusive, of this act, each request filed as provided in section 16 of this
505 act, for an authorization of bonds, shall identify the project for which

506 the proceeds of the sale of such bonds are to be used and expended
507 and, in addition to any terms and conditions required pursuant to said
508 section 16, include the recommendation of the person signing such
509 request as to the extent to which federal, private or other moneys then
510 available or thereafter to be made available for costs in connection with
511 any such project should be added to the state moneys available or
512 becoming available from the proceeds of bonds and temporary notes
513 issued in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of bonds. If the
514 request includes a recommendation that some amount of such federal,
515 private or other moneys should be added to such state moneys, then, if
516 and to the extent directed by the State Bond Commission at the time of
517 authorization of such bonds, said amount of such federal, private or
518 other moneys then available or thereafter to be made available for
519 costs in connection with such project shall be added to such state
520 moneys.

521 Sec. 18. (*Effective July 1, 2007*) Any balance of proceeds of the sale of
522 said bonds authorized for the projects or purposes of section 15 of this
523 act, in excess of the aggregate costs of all the projects so authorized,
524 shall be used in the manner set forth in sections 13b-74 to 13b-77,
525 inclusive, of the general statutes, and in the proceedings of the State
526 Bond Commission respecting the issuance and sale of said bonds.

527 Sec. 19. (*Effective July 1, 2007*) Said bonds issued pursuant to sections
528 14 to 19, inclusive, of this act, shall be special obligations of the state
529 and shall not be payable from or charged upon any funds other than
530 revenues of the state pledged therefor in subsection (b) of section 13b-
531 61 of the general statutes and section 13b-69 of the general statutes, or
532 such other receipts, funds or moneys as may be pledged therefor. Said
533 bonds shall not be payable from or charged upon any funds other than
534 such pledged revenues or such other receipts, funds or moneys as may
535 be pledged therefor, nor shall the state or any political subdivision
536 thereof be subject to any liability thereon, except to the extent of such
537 pledged revenues or such other receipts, funds or moneys as may be
538 pledged therefor. Said bonds shall be issued under and in accordance
539 with the provisions of sections 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, of the

540 general statutes.

541 Sec. 20. (*Effective July 1, 2008*) The State Bond Commission shall have
542 power, in accordance with the provisions of sections 20 to 25, inclusive,
543 of this act, from time to time to authorize the issuance of special tax
544 obligation bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal
545 amounts in the aggregate not exceeding one hundred seventy-three
546 million three hundred thousand dollars.

547 Sec. 21. (*Effective July 1, 2008*) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds
548 to the extent hereinafter stated, shall be used for the purpose of
549 payment of the transportation costs, as defined in subdivision (6) of
550 section 13b-75 of the general statutes, with respect to the projects and
551 uses hereinafter described, which projects and uses are hereby found
552 and determined to be in furtherance of one or more of the authorized
553 purposes for the issuance of special tax obligation bonds set forth in
554 section 13b-74 of the general statutes.

555 For the Department of Transportation:

556 (a) For the Bureau of Engineering and Highway Operations:

557 (1) Interstate Highway Program, not exceeding twelve million
558 dollars;

559 (2) Urban Systems Projects, not exceeding eight million five
560 hundred thousand dollars;

561 (3) Intrastate Highway Program, not exceeding forty-two million
562 thirty thousand dollars;

563 (4) Soil, water supply and groundwater remediation at or in the
564 vicinity of various maintenance facilities and former disposal areas,
565 not exceeding six million dollars; and

566 (5) State bridge improvement, rehabilitation and replacement
567 projects, not exceeding thirty-four million three hundred forty
568 thousand dollars.

569 (b) For the Bureau of Aviation and Ports:

570 (1) Reconstruction and improvements to the warehouse and State
571 Pier, New London including site improvements and improvements to
572 ferry slips, not exceeding three hundred thousand dollars; and

573 (2) Development and improvements of general aviation airport
574 facilities including grants-in-aid to municipal airports, excluding
575 Bradley International Airport, not exceeding two million dollars.

576 (c) For the Bureau of Public Transportation: Bus and rail facilities
577 and equipment, including rights-of-way, other property acquisition
578 and related projects, not exceeding forty million four hundred thirty
579 thousand dollars.

580 (d) For the Bureau of Administration:

581 (1) Department facilities, not exceeding six million four hundred
582 thousand dollars; and

583 (2) Cost of issuance of special tax obligation bonds and debt service
584 reserve, not exceeding twenty-one million three hundred thousand
585 dollars.

586 Sec. 22. (*Effective July 1, 2008*) None of said bonds shall be
587 authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that
588 there has been filed with it (1) a request for such authorization, which
589 is signed by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management or
590 by or on behalf of such state officer, department or agency and stating
591 such terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may
592 require, and (2) any capital development impact statement and any
593 human services facility collocation statement required to be filed with
594 the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management pursuant to
595 section 4-26b of the general statutes, any advisory report regarding the
596 state conservation and development policies plan required pursuant to
597 section 16a-31 of the general statutes, and any statement regarding
598 farm land required pursuant to subsection (g) of section 3-20 of the
599 general statutes, and section 22-6 of the general statutes, provided the

600 State Bond Commission may authorize said bonds without a finding
601 that the reports and statements required by subdivision (2) of this
602 section have been filed with it if said commission authorizes the
603 secretary of said commission to accept such reports and statements on
604 its behalf. No funds derived from the sale of bonds authorized by said
605 commission without a finding that the reports and statements required
606 by subdivision (2) of this section have been filed with it shall be
607 allotted by the Governor for any project until the reports and
608 statements required by subdivision (2) of this section, with respect to
609 such project, have been filed with the secretary of said commission.

610 Sec. 23. (*Effective July 1, 2008*) For the purposes of sections 20 to 25,
611 inclusive, of this act, each request filed as provided in section 22 of this
612 act, for an authorization of bonds shall identify the project for which
613 the proceeds of the sale of such bonds are to be used and expended
614 and, in addition to any terms and conditions required pursuant to said
615 section 22, include the recommendation of the person signing such
616 request as to the extent to which federal, private or other moneys then
617 available or thereafter to be made available for costs in connection with
618 any such project should be added to the state moneys available or
619 becoming available from the proceeds of bonds and temporary notes
620 issued in anticipation of the receipt of the proceeds of bonds. If the
621 request includes a recommendation that some amount of such federal,
622 private or other moneys should be added to such state moneys, then, if
623 and to the extent directed by the State Bond Commission at the time of
624 authorization of such bonds, said amount of such federal, private or
625 other moneys then available or thereafter to be made available for
626 costs in connection with such project shall be added to such state
627 moneys.

628 Sec. 24. (*Effective July 1, 2008*) Any balance of proceeds of the sale of
629 said bonds authorized for the projects or purposes of section 21 of this
630 act, in excess of the aggregate costs of all the projects so authorized
631 shall be used in the manner set forth in sections 13b-74 to 13b-77,
632 inclusive, of the general statutes, and in the proceedings of the State
633 Bond Commission respecting the issuance and sale of said bonds.

634 Sec. 25. (*Effective July 1, 2008*) Said bonds issued pursuant to sections
635 20 to 25, inclusive, of this act, shall be special obligations of the state
636 and shall not be payable from or charged upon any funds other than
637 revenues of the state pledged therefor in subsection (b) of section 13b-
638 61, and section 13b-69 of the general statutes, or such other receipts,
639 funds or moneys as may be pledged therefor. Said bonds shall not be
640 payable from or charged upon any funds other than such pledged
641 revenues or such other receipts, funds or moneys as may be pledged
642 therefor, nor shall the state or any political subdivision thereof be
643 subject to any liability thereon, except to the extent of such pledged
644 revenues or such other receipts, funds or moneys as may be pledged
645 therefor. Said bonds shall be issued under and in accordance with the
646 provisions of sections 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, of the general
647 statutes.

648 Sec. 26. (*Effective May 1, 2008*) The State Bond Commission shall
649 have power, in accordance with the provisions of sections 26 to 30,
650 inclusive, of this act, from time to time to authorize the issuance of
651 special tax obligation bonds of the state in one or more series and in
652 principal amounts in the aggregate not exceeding fifty-nine million
653 dollars for capital resurfacing and related reconstruction projects.

654 Sec. 27. (*Effective May 1, 2008*) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds
655 to the extent hereinafter stated, shall be used for the purpose of
656 payment of the transportation costs, as defined in subdivision (6) of
657 section 13b-75 of the general statutes, with respect to the projects and
658 uses hereinafter described, which projects and uses are hereby found
659 and determined to be in furtherance of one or more of the authorized
660 purposes for the issuance of special tax obligation bonds set forth in
661 section 13b-74 of the general statutes. Any proceeds of the bonds shall
662 be used by the Department of Transportation for the Bureau of
663 Engineering and Highway Operations for capital resurfacing and
664 related reconstruction projects.

665 Sec. 28. (*Effective May 1, 2008*) None of said bonds shall be
666 authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that

667 there has been filed with it (1) a request for such authorization, which
668 is signed by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management or
669 by or on behalf of such state officer, department or agency and stating
670 such terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may
671 require, and (2) any capital development impact statement and any
672 human services facility collocation statement required to be filed with
673 the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management pursuant to
674 section 4-26b of the general statutes, any advisory report regarding the
675 state conservation and development policies plan required pursuant to
676 section 16a-31 of the general statutes, and any statement regarding
677 farm land required pursuant to subsection (g) of section 3-20 of the
678 general statutes, and section 22-6 of the general statutes, provided the
679 State Bond Commission may authorize said bonds without a finding
680 that the reports and statements required by subdivision (2) of this
681 section have been filed with it if said commission authorizes the
682 secretary of said commission to accept such reports and statements on
683 its behalf. No funds derived from the sale of bonds authorized by said
684 commission without a finding that the reports and statements required
685 by subdivision (2) of this section have been filed with it shall be
686 allotted by the Governor for any project until the reports and
687 statements required by subdivision (2) of this section with respect to
688 such project have been filed with the secretary of said commission.

689 Sec. 29. (*Effective May 1, 2008*) For the purposes of sections 26 to 30,
690 inclusive, of this act, each request filed as provided in section 28 of this
691 act, for an authorization of bonds shall identify the project for which
692 the proceeds of the sale of such bonds are to be used and expended
693 and, in addition to any terms and conditions required pursuant to said
694 section 28, include the recommendation of the person signing such
695 request as to the extent to which federal, private or other moneys then
696 available for costs in connection with any such project should be
697 added to the state moneys available or becoming available from the
698 proceeds of bonds and temporary notes issued in anticipation of the
699 receipt of the proceeds of bonds. If the request includes a
700 recommendation that some amount of such federal, private or other
701 moneys should be added to such state moneys, then, if and to the

702 extent directed by the State Bond Commission at the time of
703 authorization of such bonds, said amount of such federal, private or
704 other moneys then available or thereafter to be made available, for
705 costs in connection with such project shall be added to such state
706 moneys.

707 Sec. 30. (*Effective May 1, 2008*) Said bonds issued pursuant to
708 sections 26 to 30, inclusive, of this act, shall be special obligations of the
709 state and shall not be payable from or charged upon any funds other
710 than revenues of the state pledged therefor in subsection (b) of section
711 13b-61 of the general statutes and section 13b-69 of the general statutes,
712 or such other receipts, funds or moneys as may be pledged therefore.
713 Said bonds shall not be payable from or charged upon any funds other
714 than such pledged revenues or such other receipts, funds or moneys as
715 may be pledged therefor, or shall the state or any political subdivision
716 thereof be subject to any liability thereon, except to the extent of such
717 pledged revenues or such other receipts, funds or moneys as may be
718 pledged therefor. Said bonds shall be issued under and in accordance
719 with the provisions of sections 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, of the
720 general statutes.

721 Sec. 31. (*Effective July 1, 2007*) (a) For the purposes described in
722 subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have
723 the power, from time to time, to authorize the issuance of bonds of the
724 state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in
725 the aggregate five hundred thousand dollars.

726 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the
727 amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the
728 Department of Transportation for the purpose of initiating short-term
729 and long-range improvements to the Day Hill corridor transportation
730 system and to build upon existing infrastructure assets.

731 (c) All provisions of sections 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, of the
732 general statutes, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby,
733 which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section are
734 hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State

735 Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in
736 anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such
737 bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said sections
738 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, and from time to time renewed. Such
739 bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding thirty years
740 from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the
741 resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing
742 such bonds. None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a
743 finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it
744 a request for such authorization which is signed by or on behalf of the
745 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and states such
746 terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may
747 require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be special tax
748 obligations of the state and all pledged revenues, as defined in
749 subdivision (4) of section 13b-75 of the general statutes, are pledged for
750 the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same
751 become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state
752 with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts from the
753 special transportation fund created under section 13b-68 of the general
754 statutes necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest
755 is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and
756 interest as the same become due.

757 Sec. 32. (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Department of Transportation
758 shall establish a retrofit noise abatement program project priority
759 ranking list for each United States congressional district in the state.
760 Such lists shall be based on the projects currently listed on the
761 department's project priority ranking list.

762 (b) In establishing a project priority ranking list for each
763 congressional district, the department shall consider (1) the proposed
764 project's proximity to residential areas, and (2) the results of any
765 decibel level tests performed at the project's location.

766 Sec. 33. (*Effective July 1, 2007*) (a) For the purposes described in
767 subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have

768 the power, from time to time, to authorize the issuance of bonds of the
769 state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in
770 the aggregate ten million dollars.

771 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the
772 amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the
773 Department of Transportation for the purpose of funding noise barrier
774 projects on the Department of Transportation's congressional district's
775 project priority ranking lists, as provided in section 32 of this act. Such
776 funds shall be distributed on a pro rata basis to each congressional
777 district based on the number of projects in each district. No district
778 shall receive less than five hundred thousand dollars.

779 (c) All provisions of sections 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, of the
780 general statutes, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby,
781 which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section are
782 hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State
783 Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in
784 anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such
785 bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said sections
786 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, and from time to time renewed. Such
787 bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding thirty years
788 from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the
789 resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing
790 such bonds. None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a
791 finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it
792 a request for such authorization which is signed by or on behalf of the
793 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and states such
794 terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may
795 require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be special tax
796 obligations of the state and all pledged revenues, as defined in
797 subdivision (4) of section 13b-75 of the general statutes, are pledged for
798 the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same
799 become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state
800 with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts from the
801 special transportation fund created under section 13b-68 of the general

802 statutes necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest
803 is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and
804 interest as the same become due.

805 Sec. 34. (*Effective July 1, 2007*) (a) For the purposes described in
806 subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have
807 the power, from time to time, to authorize the issuance of bonds of the
808 state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in
809 the aggregate one million dollars.

810 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the
811 amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the
812 Department of Transportation for the purpose of completing the East
813 Coast Greenway.

814 (c) All provisions of sections 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, of the
815 general statutes, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby,
816 which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section are
817 hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State
818 Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in
819 anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such
820 bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said sections
821 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, and from time to time renewed. Such
822 bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding thirty years
823 from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the
824 resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing
825 such bonds. None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a
826 finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it
827 a request for such authorization which is signed by or on behalf of the
828 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and states such
829 terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may
830 require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be special tax
831 obligations of the state and all pledged revenues, as defined in
832 subdivision (4) of section 13b-75 of the general statutes, are pledged for
833 the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same
834 become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state

835 with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts from the
836 special transportation fund created under section 13b-68 of the general
837 statutes necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest
838 is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and
839 interest as the same become due.

840 Sec. 35. (*Effective July 1, 2007*) (a) For the purposes described in
841 subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have
842 the power, from time to time, to authorize the issuance of bonds of the
843 state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in
844 the aggregate one hundred thousand dollars.

845 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the
846 amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the
847 Department of Transportation for the purpose of conducting a study
848 on the feasibility of the state purchasing the Sikorsky Airport.

849 (c) All provisions of sections 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, of the
850 general statutes, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby,
851 which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section are
852 hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State
853 Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in
854 anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such
855 bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said sections
856 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, and from time to time renewed. Such
857 bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding thirty years
858 from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the
859 resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing
860 such bonds. None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a
861 finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it
862 a request for such authorization which is signed by or on behalf of the
863 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and states such
864 terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may
865 require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be special tax
866 obligations of the state and all pledged revenues, as defined in
867 subdivision (4) of section 13b-75 of the general statutes, are pledged for

868 the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same
869 become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state
870 with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts from the
871 special transportation fund created under section 13b-68 of the general
872 statutes necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest
873 is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and
874 interest as the same become due.

875 Sec. 36. (*Effective July 1, 2007*) (a) For the purposes described in
876 subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have
877 the power, from time to time, to authorize the issuance of bonds of the
878 state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in
879 the aggregate ten million dollars in state matching funds.

880 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the
881 amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the
882 Department of Transportation for the purpose of completing the
883 Atlantic Street Underpass Project in Stamford.

884 (c) All provisions of sections 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, of the
885 general statutes, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby,
886 which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section are
887 hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State
888 Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in
889 anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such
890 bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said sections
891 13b-74 to 13b-77, inclusive, and from time to time renewed. Such
892 bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding thirty years
893 from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the
894 resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing
895 such bonds. None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a
896 finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it
897 a request for such authorization which is signed by or on behalf of the
898 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and states such
899 terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may
900 require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be special tax

901 obligations of the state and all pledged revenues, as defined in
902 subdivision (4) of section 13b-75 of the general statutes, are pledged for
903 the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same
904 become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state
905 with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts from the
906 special transportation fund created under section 13b-68 of the general
907 statutes necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest
908 is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and
909 interest as the same become due.

910 Sec. 37. (*Effective July 1, 2007*) (a) For the purposes described in
911 subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have
912 the power, from time to time, to authorize the issuance of bonds of the
913 state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in
914 the aggregate five hundred thousand dollars.

915 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the
916 amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used for the
917 purpose of laboratory improvements to The University of
918 Connecticut's Connecticut Transportation Institute.

919 (c) All provisions of section 3-20 of the general statutes, or the
920 exercise of any right or power granted thereby, which are not
921 inconsistent with the provisions of this section are hereby adopted and
922 shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission
923 pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in anticipation of the
924 money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized
925 may be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to
926 time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not
927 exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided
928 in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond
929 Commission authorizing such bonds. None of said bonds shall be
930 authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that
931 there has been filed with it a request for such authorization which is
932 signed by or on behalf of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and
933 Management and states such terms and conditions as said commission,

934 in its discretion, may require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this
935 section shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and
936 credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the
937 principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due, and
938 accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of
939 said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual
940 payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the State
941 Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become
942 due.

943 Sec. 38. (Effective July 1, 2007) The sum of twelve million six
944 hundred thirty-three thousand dollars is appropriated to the
945 Department of Transportation, from the Special Transportation Fund,
946 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, and the sum of twelve million
947 six hundred thirty-three thousand dollars is appropriated to the
948 Department of Transportation, from the Special Transportation Fund,
949 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, for operating costs to improve
950 bus connectivity and service, including cleaner buses, expanded
951 parking for express service, increases in service frequency, new
952 enhanced facilities and bus rapid transit.

953 Sec. 39. (Effective July 1, 2007) The sum of six million one hundred
954 thousand dollars is appropriated to the Department of Transportation,
955 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, for elderly and disabled
956 demand responsive transportation programs for persons sixty years of
957 age or older. Such moneys shall be provided by funds previously
958 transferred to the Department of Transportation for such programs for
959 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008. Any balance remaining for such
960 programs at the end of any fiscal year shall be carried forward for the
961 next fiscal year succeeding.

962 Sec. 40. (Effective July 1, 2007) The sum of six million three hundred
963 thousand dollars is appropriated to the Department of Transportation,
964 from the Special Transportation Fund, for the fiscal year ending June
965 30, 2008, for implementation of phases 1 and 2 of Shore Line East
966 expanded service, including weekend and additional daily service

967 between New Haven and New London.

968 Sec. 41. (*Effective July 1, 2007*) The sum of five hundred thousand
 969 dollars is appropriated to the Department of Transportation, from the
 970 Special Transportation Fund, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008,
 971 for the establishment of a Greater Hartford pilot program that
 972 encourages public and private employees to use public transportation
 973 to travel to and from such employees' place of employment.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	13b-79p(a)(4)
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	13b-79p(a)(11)
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	13b-79p(a)
Sec. 4	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 5	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 6	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 7	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 8	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 9	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 10	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 11	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 12	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 13	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 14	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 15	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 16	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 17	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 18	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 19	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 20	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	New section
Sec. 21	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	New section
Sec. 22	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	New section
Sec. 23	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	New section
Sec. 24	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	New section
Sec. 25	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	New section
Sec. 26	<i>May 1, 2008</i>	New section
Sec. 27	<i>May 1, 2008</i>	New section
Sec. 28	<i>May 1, 2008</i>	New section

Sec. 29	<i>May 1, 2008</i>	New section
Sec. 30	<i>May 1, 2008</i>	New section
Sec. 31	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 32	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 33	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 34	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 35	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 36	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 37	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 38	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 39	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 40	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 41	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 08 \$	FY 09 \$
Treasurer, Debt Serv.	TF - Cost	See Below	See Below

Note: TF=Transportation Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

Fiscal Impact of Substitute Language					
	FY 08	FY 09	FY 10	FY 11	FY 12
	(\$ mil.)				
STO bond authorizations	577.2	440.3	43.0	43.0	43.0
GO bond authorizations	25.5	25.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Transportation Fnd Appropriations	19.4	12.6	0.0	0.0	0.0
Transportation Fund Carry forward	6.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

The table above summarizes the fiscal provisions of the bill. The fiscal impact of issuing \$577.2 million (FY 08) in Special Tax Obligation (STO) bonds over 20 years at a 5.5% interest rate will result in a debt service cost to the Special Transportation Fund (STF) of \$966 million. The impact of issuing \$440.3 million (FY 09) over 20 years at a 5.5% interest rate will result in a debt service cost to the STF of \$736.9 million.

The fiscal impact of issuing \$25.5 million (FY 08) in General Obligation (GO) bonds over 20 years at a 5.0% interest rate will result in a debt service cost to the General Fund (GF) of \$38.9 million. The impact of issuing \$25 million (FY 09) over 20 years at a 5.0% interest rate will result in a debt service cost to the GF of \$38.1 million.

Sections 1 through 3 add or make changes to the list of strategic transportation projects. This has no immediate fiscal impact because no additional STO bonds are authorized. However, to the degree that

this causes bond funds to be expended more rapidly than they otherwise would have been, it will increase debt service costs to the Special Transportation Fund.

PA 05-4 (JSS) provided that any unexpended balance for the elderly and disabled demand responsive transportation program be carried forward until exhausted. Section 39 of sHB 6366 alters the carry forward period by requiring that any unexpended balance for this program be used in FY 08 and FY 09.

Further Explanation

Tables 1 and 2 summarize the Special Tax Obligation (STO) and General Obligation (GO) bond authorizations contained in the bill. Table 3 summarizes the Special Transportation Fund appropriations and the carry forward provision in the bill.

Table 1		
Special Tax Obligation (STO) Bond Authorizations		
(\$ millions)		
<u>Description</u>	<u>FY 08</u>	<u>FY 09</u>
Transportation Infrastructure Program (Secs. 14 – 30)		
Bureau of Highways		
Interstate Highway Program	12.00	12.00
Urban Systems Projects	8.30	8.50
Intrastate Highway Program	112.94	42.03
Soil, water supply and groundwater remediation in the vicinity of various maintenance facilities and former disposal areas	6.00	6.00
State bridge improvement, rehabilitation and replacement projects	65.24	34.34
Capital resurfacing and related reconstruction projects	0	59.00
Bureau of Aviation and Ports		
Reconstruction and improvements to the warehouse and State Pier, New London including site improvements and improvements to ferry slips	1.40	0.30
Development and improvements of general aviation airport facilities including grants-in-aid to municipal airports (excluding Bradley International Airport)	2.00	2.00

Table 1
Special Tax Obligation (STO) Bond Authorizations
(\$ millions)

<u>Description</u>	<u>FY 08</u>	<u>FY 09</u>
Bureau of Public Transportation		
Bus and rail facilities and equipment, including rights-of-way, other property acquisition and related projects	40.11	40.43
Bureau of Administration		
Department facilities including acquisition, alterations, repairs and improvements	6.40	6.40
Cost of issuance of Special Tax Obligation Bonds and debt service reserve	<u>21.30</u>	<u>21.30</u>
Subtotal	275.69	232.30
<u>Authorizations for specific projects</u>		
Bus connectivity and service - capital costs (Sec. 4)	43.00	43.00
Fix-it-First state road repair (Sec. 5)	75.00	75.00
Fix-it-First state bridge repair (Sec. 6)	75.00	75.00
Repair Maybrook Railroad Line (Sec. 8)	11.20	0
Station improvement program (Sec. 10)	10.00	15.00
Greater Waterbury Multimodal Transportation Ctr (Sec. 11)	30.00	0
Stamford Transportation Center parking garage (Sec. 12)	35.00	0
Study of Rte. 2 and Rte. 2A alternatives (Sec. 13)	0.70	0
Day Hill corridor transportation system (Sec. 31)	0.50	0
Noise abatement (Sec. 33)	10.00	0
Land acquisition for Route 11 Greenway (Sec. 34)	1.00	0
Feasibility of purchasing Sikorsky Airport (Sec. 35)	0.10	0
Atlantic Street Underpass in Stamford matching funds (Sec. 36)	<u>10.00</u>	<u>0</u>
Subtotal	301.50	208.00
Total Special Tax Obligation Bonds	577.19	440.30

Table 2
General Obligation (GO) bond authorizations
(\$ million)

<u>Description</u>	<u>FY 08</u>	<u>FY 09</u>
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Table 2
General Obligation (GO) bond authorizations
(\$ million)

<u>Description</u>	<u>FY 08</u>	<u>FY 09</u>
CT Bikeway Grant Program (Sec. 9) \$600,000 for Salmon Run Bikeway in Glastonbury \$630,000 for Trout Brook Multi-Use Trail, West Htfd \$150,000 for Milford Town & Coastal Bikeway	5.00	5.00
Transit-oriented development grant program (Sec. 7)	20.00	20.00
UConn CT Transportation Institute lab improvements (Sec. 37)	<u>0.50</u>	<u>0</u>
Total GO Bond Authorizations	25.50	25.00

Table 3
Special Transportation Fund (STF) Appropriations and Carry Forwards
(\$ millions)

<u>Description</u>	<u>FY 08</u>	<u>FY 09</u>
<u>Appropriations</u>		
Bus connectivity and service – operating costs (Sec. 38)	12.63	12.63
Shore Line East expanded service (Sec. 40)	6.30	0
Greater Hartford pilot program (Sec. 41)	<u>0.50</u>	<u>0</u>
Total STF Appropriations	19.43	12.63
<u>Carry Forward</u>		
Elderly and disabled demand responsive transportation programs (Sec. 39)	6.10	0

The Out Years

The bill authorizes \$43 million in STO bonds in each of FY 10, FY 11, FY 12 and FY 13 for capital costs associated with bus connectivity and service. The STF debt service cost in each year to issue \$43 million over 20 years at a 5.5% interest rate is \$72.0 million.

OLR Bill Analysis**sHB 6366*****AN ACT CONCERNING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF
TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS FOR
CONNECTICUT'S ECONOMIC FUTURE.*****SUMMARY:**

This bill:

1. authorizes \$275.688 million in Special Tax Obligation (STO) bonds in FY 08 and \$173.3 million in FY 09 for the Department of Transportation's (DOT) capital improvement program;
2. authorizes \$59 million for FY 09 for DOT's capital highway resurfacing program;
3. appropriates money from the Special Transportation Fund for FY 08 for elderly and disabled demand responsive transportation programs, expanding passenger service on the Shore Line East rail line, and establishing a pilot program in the greater Hartford area to encourage work commutation on public transportation;
4. establishes a "Fix-it-First" program for state roads and bridges funded through additional STO bond authorizations;
5. makes numerous additional bond authorizations, most of which are STO bonds, for specific projects and programs including, transit-oriented development grants, a Connecticut bikeway grant program, a highway noise barrier installation program, construction of a parking garage at the Stamford Transportation Center, construction of the multimodal transportation center in Waterbury, and several other projects;

6. provides both capital and operating funding for improving bus connectivity and service through a variety of activities; and
7. authorizes additional uses for funding previously provided for strategic transportation projects.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2007, except the FY 09 STO bond authorization for DOT's capital program is effective July 1, 2008, the authorization for the FY 09 capital resurfacing program is effective on May 1, 2008, and the requirement for DOT to revise its noise barrier project list by congressional district is effective upon passage

§§ 1-3 — NEW PROJECTS AUTHORIZED FOR USE OF EXISTING FUNDING

The bill expands the eligible uses for authorizations previously approved by the legislature for certain transportation projects identified as priority transportation strategy projects. It modifies the authorization for use of these funds to develop a new commuter rail station between New Haven and Milford to specify developing stations in both Orange and West Haven. It also:

1. expands the authorization for funding the Commercial Vehicle Information System Network to include electronic pre-clearance of safe truck operators for fixed scale operations on I-91 (Middletown) and I-95 (Greenwich and Waterford) for an amount up to \$ 4 million; and
2. adds authorizations for use of these bond funds to (a) purchase at least 24 electric rail cars for use on the New Haven Line and Shore Line East commuter rail services; (b) use of up to \$24 million for funding expansion of Shore Line East including increased parking, bridge repair, and locomotive and rail car purchases; and (c) improve bike access to and storage facilities at transportation centers.

§§ 4 & 38 — FUNDING FOR IMPROVING BUS CONNECTIVITY AND SERVICE

The bill provides both capital and operating funds for improving bus connectivity and service, including cleaner buses, expanded parking for express service, increased service frequency, new enhanced facilities, and bus rapid transit. It authorizes a total of \$43 million on STO bonds for capital costs for FY 08 and the five fiscal years to follow. It appropriates \$12.633 million from the Special Transportation Fund (STF) to DOT in both FY 08 and FY 09 for the operating costs associated with the improvements.

§§ 5 & 6 — “FIX-IT-FIRST” PROGRAM FOR STATE ROADS AND BRIDGES

The bill authorizes up to \$75 million in general obligation bonds in both FY 08 and FY 09 for DOT to establish a “Fix-it-First” program to repair state roads and another \$75 million in each fiscal year for a second program component to repair state bridges. Thus, in FY 08 up to \$75 million is available for expenditure on the road repair component of the program and another \$75 million for the bridge repair component. The same amounts may be spent in FY 09.

§ 7 — GRANTS FOR TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

The bill authorizes up to \$20 million in STO bonds for both FY 08 and FY 09 for the DOT to use to establish a transit-oriented development grant program. The program’s purpose is to integrate, coordinate, and plan transit-oriented development around new and enhanced commuter rail and bus centers to provide both mixed-use development and housing. Eligible municipal applicants must work in partnership with their councils of governments, regional planning agencies, or metropolitan planning organizations. The grants may be made for planning and land acquisition with priority given to applicants with projects near the Metro North, Shore Line East, and New Haven-Hartford-Springfield rail stations and bus centers, and the New Britain-Hartford Busway. (The New Haven-Hartford-Springfield rail and New Britain-Hartford Busway projects are still in the implementation stage.)

The bill prohibits DOT from using more than 2% of the total bond

allocation for administrative purposes.

§§ 14-25 — STO BOND AUTHORIZATIONS FOR DOT TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS

The bill authorizes \$275.688 million in STO bonds for DOT in FY 08 and \$173.3 million in FY 09 for DOT for its capital improvement program as indicated in the following table.

<i>Authorized Program Areas</i>	<i>Maximum Authorization (millions)</i>	
	FY 08	FY 09
Interstate Highway Program	\$12.0	\$12.0
Urban Systems Projects	\$8.3	\$8.5
Intrastate Highway Program	\$112.94	\$42.03
Soil, water supply and groundwater remediation at or near DOT maintenance facilities and former disposal areas	\$6.0	\$6.0
State bridge improvement, rehabilitation, and replacement	\$65.24	\$34.34
Reconstruction and improvements to the warehouse and State Pier in New London, including site improvements and improvements to ferry slips	\$1.4	\$0.3
Development and improvement of general aviation airports, including grants to municipal airports, but not including Bradley International Airport	\$2.0	\$2.0
Bus and rail facilities and equipment, including rights-of-way, other property acquisition, and related projects	\$40.108	\$40.43
DOT facilities	\$6.4	\$6.4
Costs of STO bond issuance and debt service	\$21.3	\$21.3
Total Authorization	\$275.688	\$173.3

The authorizations for FY 09 are effective on July 1, 2008.

§§ 26-30 — DOT FY 09 CAPITAL RESURFACING PROGRAM

The bill authorizes up to \$59 million in STO bonds for DOT's capital highway resurfacing program for FY 09. The funds may be used for road resurfacing and related projects. The authorization is effective on May 1, 2008.

§§ 8-13 & 31-37 — ADDITIONAL BOND AUTHORIZATIONS FOR SPECIFIC PROJECTS

The bill makes numerous additional authorizations of bonds for specific projects and studies as shown in the following table.

Bond Authorizations and Purposes

The bond authorizations are for use by DOT except as noted. Bond authorizations are effective for FY 08 except as noted. The authorizations are for STO bonds except for §§ 9 (Bikeway Grant Program) and 37 (Connecticut Transportation Institute), which are general obligation bonds.

<i>Bill Section</i>	<i>Maximum Bond Authorization</i>	<i>Purpose</i>
§ 8	\$11.2 million	Repair the Maybrook Railroad Line
§ 9	\$5.0 million for FY 08 \$5.0 million for FY 09	For the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to establish a Connecticut Bikeway Grant Program for municipalities (See below). Expenditures must include: Completion of Salmon Run Bikeway in Glastonbury (\$600,000) Completion of Trout Brook Multiuse Trail in West Hartford (\$630,000) Feasibility study, planning, and preliminary design of Milford Town and Coastal Bikeway (\$150,000)
§ 10	\$25.0 million	Establish a rail station improvement program with maximum expenditure of \$10 million in FY 08 and \$15 million in FY 09
§ 11	\$30.0 million	Constructing a Greater Waterbury Multimodal Transportation Center
§ 12	\$35.0 million	Constructing a parking garage at the

		Stamford Transportation Center, including rights-of-way, other property acquisition, and related projects
§ 13	\$0.7 million	Study a Route 2 and 2A alternative with completion of study by June 30, 2008
§ 31	\$0.5 million	Initiating short-term and long-term improvements to the Day Hill corridor transportation system and build upon existing infrastructure assets
§§ 32 & 33	\$10.0 million	Implementation of Highway Noise Barrier Retrofit Priority Program (See below)
§ 34	\$1.0 million	Completion of East Coast Greenway
§ 35	\$0.1 million	Study assessing the feasibility of state purchase of Sikorsky Memorial Airport
§ 36	\$10.0 million in state matching funds	Completion of the Atlantic Street Underpass in Stamford
§ 37	\$0.5 million	Laboratory improvements to the University of Connecticut's Connecticut Transportation Institute (The recipient of the bond authorization is not specified in the bill.)

Connecticut Bikeway Grant Program

Grants made under the bikeway grant program may be used for planning, design, land acquisition, construction, construction administration, and publications for bikeways and multiuse paths. Eligible projects may include (1) bike trails that complete sections of the Connecticut portion of the East Coast Greenway, (2) bikeways that connect to the East Coast Greenway, and (3) bikeways and multiuse paths established as part of the State Recreational Trails Plan.

The bill requires grants to include, at least; (1) a 20% local match provided by municipal, federal, other state, nonprofit, or private funds; (2) municipal responsibility for the bikeway; (3) public input; and (4) project designs that comply with the 1999 American Association of State Highway (and) Transportation Officials' "Guide for the Development of Bicycle Facilities." If grant applications include

more than one municipality, the bill requires the local match to be 10% rather than 20%. State grant funds may be used to match federal funds being used for the specified purposes. For purposes of the grant program, a “bikeway “ is any road, street, path, or way specifically designated for bicycle travel whether or not it is shared with other modes of transportation.

The bill prohibits DEP from using more than 2% of the bond allocation for administrative purposes. It also requires DEP to establish an advisory committee to advise the commissioner on the allocation of funds. The committee must be made up of trail users and advocates the commissioner designates. The bill directs DOT to work with DEP in furtherance of the bikeway program.

Highway Noise Barrier Retrofit Program

The bill requires DOT to establish a retrofit noise abatement program project priority list for each U.S. congressional district in Connecticut. It must base the lists on the projects currently on its noise barrier priority list. In establishing the priority list for each congressional district, it must consider the project’s proximity to residential areas and the results of noise tests performed at the project’s location.

The \$10 million the bill authorizes in STO bonds for the program must be distributed to each district on a prorated basis according to the number of projects identified in each district. However, no district may receive less than \$500,000.

§§ 39-41 — APPROPRIATIONS FOR SPECIFIED PROGRAMS

The bill appropriates funds from the STF to DOT for the following programs:

1. \$6.1 million for FY 08 for elderly and disabled demand responsive transportation programs (“dial-a-ride”) for people age 60 or older. The funds must be provided by money previously transferred to DOT for these programs for FY 08. Unexpended balances must carry forward to the next fiscal year.

2. \$6.3 million for FY 08 for implementing phases 1 and 2 of the Shore Line East expanded service plan, including weekend and additional daily service between New Haven and New London.
3. \$500,000 for FY 08 to establish a Greater Hartford pilot program that encourages public and private employees to use public transportation to travel to and from work.

BACKGROUND

Highway Noise Barrier Program

The noise barriers covered under the bill are known as “Type II” noise barriers. They are noise barriers that are constructed along a state highway without any other changes being made to the highway. Thus, they are commonly referred to as “retrofit” noise barriers. DOT does not generally fund Type II projects out of its existing resources and they are not eligible for federal highway funds.

DOT currently has a listing of 131 locations along state highways that it has previously surveyed and prioritized according to a formula that considers, among other things, the type of property affected by the highway noise, measured noise levels, the number of affected locations, their relative noise sensitivity, and the potential effectiveness of the abatement project. The bill appears to base the congressional district lists on this existing list of prioritized locations.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Transportation Committee

Joint Favorable Change of Reference
 Yea 30 Nay 0 (03/16/2007)

Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute
 Yea 53 Nay 0 (04/17/2007)