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Referred to Committee on Transportation

Introduced by:  
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**AN ACT CONCERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.**

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (c) of section 13a-80 of the general statutes is  
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
3 *passage*):

4 (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 3-14b and 4b-21, no  
5 residential property upon which a single-family dwelling is situated at  
6 the time it is obtained by the department for highway purposes may be  
7 sold or transferred pursuant to this section within twenty-five years of  
8 the date of its acquisition without the [department] department's first  
9 offering the owner or owners of the property at the time of its  
10 acquisition a right of first refusal to purchase the property at the  
11 amount of its appraised value as determined in accordance with the  
12 provisions of subsection (b) of this section, except for property offered  
13 for sale to municipalities prior to July 1, 1988. Notice of such offer shall  
14 be sent to each such owner by registered or certified mail, return  
15 receipt requested, within one year of the date a determination is made  
16 that such property is not necessary for highway purposes. Any such

17 offer shall be terminated by the department if it has not received  
18 written notice of the owner's acceptance of the offer within sixty days  
19 of the date it was mailed. Whenever the offer is not so accepted, the  
20 department shall offer parcels which meet local zoning requirements  
21 for residential or commercial use to other state agencies and shall offer  
22 parcels which do not meet local zoning requirements for residential or  
23 commercial use to all abutting landowners in accordance with  
24 department regulations. If the sale or transfer of the property pursuant  
25 to this section results in the existing property of an abutting landowner  
26 becoming a nonconforming use as to local zoning requirements, the  
27 Commissioner of Transportation may sell or transfer the property to  
28 that abutter without public bid or auction. The commissioner shall  
29 adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54,  
30 establishing procedures for the disposition of excess property pursuant  
31 to the provisions of this subsection in the event such property is  
32 owned by more than one person.

33 Sec. 2. Subsection (b) of section 15-11a of the general statutes is  
34 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
35 *passage*):

36 (b) Prior to removing and taking such derelict vessel into custody,  
37 the Commissioner of Transportation, a duly authorized harbor master  
38 or a duly authorized representative of a municipality shall make a  
39 reasonable attempt to notify the owner, agent or operator of the vessel  
40 and shall allow such owner, agent or operator to make arrangements  
41 for removal of the vessel. Such notification shall inform the owner,  
42 agent or operator that, pursuant to this section, if the vessel is not  
43 removed within twenty-four hours of notification, it shall be removed,  
44 taken into custody and stored at the [owner, agent] owner's, agent's or  
45 operator's expense.

46 Sec. 3. Subsection (f) of section 15-11a of the general statutes is  
47 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
48 *passage*):

49 (f) Ninety days or more after written notice has been given pursuant  
50 to subsection (e) of this section, the Commissioner of Transportation, a  
51 duly authorized harbor master or a duly authorized representative of a  
52 municipality may sell a derelict vessel at public auction in accordance  
53 with the provisions of this section. The commissioner, harbor master or  
54 authorized agent of a municipality shall apply the proceeds of such  
55 sale toward the payment of its charges, any storage charges and the  
56 payment of any debt or obligation incurred by the commissioner,  
57 harbor master or agent who placed the vessel in storage. Such sale  
58 shall be advertised twice in a newspaper published or having a  
59 circulation in the town where such vessel is stored or is located,  
60 commencing at least five days before such sale; and, if the last place of  
61 abode of the owner, agent or operator of such vessel is known to or  
62 ascertained by the commissioner, harbor master or agent by the  
63 exercise of reasonable diligence, notice of the time and place of sale  
64 shall be given to such owner, agent or operator by sending such notice  
65 to the owner, agent or operator, by certified mail, return receipt  
66 requested, at such last place of abode at least five days before the day  
67 of the sale. The proceeds of such sale, after deducting any amount due  
68 for removal and storage charges and all expenses connected with such  
69 sale, shall be paid to the owner, agent or operator of such vessel or the  
70 [owner, agent] owner's, agent's or operator's legal representatives, if  
71 claimed by the owner, agent or operator or the [owner, agent] owner's,  
72 agent's or operator's legal representative at any time within one year  
73 from the date of such sale. If such balance is not claimed within said  
74 period, it shall escheat to the municipality from which the vessel was  
75 removed. If the expenses incurred by the commissioner, harbor master  
76 or agent for such removal and storage and sale of such vessel and any  
77 fines exceed the proceeds of such sale, the owner, agent or operator of  
78 the vessel shall be liable for such excess expenses.

79 Sec. 4. Subsection (e) of section 15-13c of the general statutes is  
80 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
81 *passage*):

82 (e) The commission shall, subject to the approval of the  
83 commissioner in his sole discretion, set: (1) The required qualifications  
84 of pilots for eligibility for licensure, including background, training,  
85 length of service and apprenticeship; (2) examination requirements for  
86 obtaining a pilot's or other type of operating license; and (3) the  
87 appropriate number of state-licensed pilots necessary for the safe,  
88 efficient and proper operations in the ports and waters of the state,  
89 including the waters of Long Island Sound. [; (4) in] In setting these  
90 requirements, the commission may not consider the licenses of pilots  
91 by other jurisdictions as a disqualifying factor.

92 Sec. 5. Subsection (g) of section 15-13c of the general statutes is  
93 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
94 *passage*):

95 (g) The commission shall: (1) Assist in the preparation of  
96 examinations for pilot licensure and other operating certificates; (2)  
97 evaluate the examination results of applicants for a pilot license and  
98 make appropriate recommendations concerning such applicants'  
99 qualifications; (3) assist in the review and monitoring of the  
100 performance of pilots, including compliance with state policies,  
101 procedures and regulations; (4) review applications for reciprocal  
102 licensure and make appropriate recommendations concerning such  
103 [pilot's] pilots' qualifications; (5) recommend the duties of pilots for the  
104 reporting of faulty pilot boarding and disembarkation systems and of  
105 violations of any state laws; (6) review and investigate any marine  
106 incident or casualty and conduct hearings to determine the causes of  
107 any such incident; (7) investigate and make recommendations on  
108 disciplinary measures, including such measures as letters of caution,  
109 admonition or reprimand and licensure suspension or forfeiture,  
110 including disciplinary matters relative to alcohol or drug abuse; (8)  
111 retain an independent investigator to compile a comprehensive factual  
112 record of any marine incident or casualty; (9) assist in the review of  
113 complaints filed with the commissioner; and (10) assist in the  
114 preparation of any report or matter relative to pilotage.

115 Sec. 6. Section 14-260n of the general statutes is amended by adding  
116 subdivision (18) as follows (*Effective July 1, 2007*):

117 (NEW) (18) "Articulated bus" means a motor vehicle designed and  
118 used for the purposes of carrying public transit passengers, with two  
119 separate passenger compartments connected by a kingpin or similar  
120 joint, and may be composed of a tractor section and a trailer section, or  
121 a forward portion with no motive power and a trailer section with a  
122 power unit.

123 Sec. 7. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2007*) A motor vehicle in livery  
124 service having a seating capacity of thirty-five or more adults may  
125 have an upper and lower deck, provided such motor vehicle complies  
126 with manufacturing and safety standards for motor buses established  
127 under federal statutes and regulations. The Commissioner of  
128 Transportation shall adopt regulations in accordance with this section.

129 Sec. 8. Section 13b-57 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
130 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

131 The state, acting by and in the discretion of the Commissioner of  
132 Transportation, may enter into a contract with a municipality, acting  
133 by its harbor improvement agency, for state financial assistance for a  
134 harbor improvement project pursuant to a harbor improvement plan  
135 approved by the Commissioner of Transportation in the form of a state  
136 grant-in-aid, [equal to two-thirds of the net cost of the project as  
137 approved by the Commissioner of Transportation, provided state  
138 financial assistance to any municipality for such purposes shall not  
139 exceed one million dollars.] Any such application for state financial  
140 assistance under this section shall be submitted by the Commissioner  
141 of Transportation to the Commissioner of Environmental Protection  
142 for his review. Said Commissioner of Environmental Protection shall  
143 submit a written report to the Commissioner of Transportation, setting  
144 forth his findings regarding such application.

145 Sec. 9. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) In addition to municipal

146 requests for grant-in-aid, harbor improvement projects may be  
147 initiated by the Commissioner of Transportation on behalf of the state  
148 or for the state on behalf of the federal government. Recommendations  
149 on the prioritization or inclusion of projects shall be submitted to the  
150 commissioner by the Connecticut Maritime Commission. Services  
151 delivered under all contracts resulting from this program shall be  
152 provided to individual harbors and waterways on behalf of the  
153 Department of Transportation; however, individual contracts shall be  
154 funded, administered, paid and shall be otherwise subject to the  
155 policies and requirements of the department. In special cases funding  
156 may be transferred to other statutory agencies or municipalities at the  
157 discretion of the department.

158 (b) Harbor improvement projects include the preparation of plans,  
159 studies, construction, alteration and the improvement of various state,  
160 municipal and other properties both in and adjacent to the waters of  
161 the state, and for the purpose of improving the economy and  
162 infrastructure of the state.

163 (c) The department is responsible for contract administration. All  
164 contracts are subject to final negotiation of the scope and budget for a  
165 given project. Contracting periods may vary depending on each  
166 project. Payments shall be made on a reimbursement basis for  
167 deliverables completed not later than the dates of service of an  
168 executed contract. Appropriate back-up information shall be included  
169 with each payment request indicating that services have been  
170 rendered. The department may elect to provide part or all of the funds  
171 necessary as an upfront payment, provided that funds are held in a  
172 separate, noninterest bearing account and are expended not later than  
173 sixty days after such funds are provided.

174 Sec. 10. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) For the purposes described  
175 in subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have  
176 the power, from time to time, to authorize the issuance of bonds of the  
177 state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in

178 the aggregate fifty million dollars.

179 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the  
180 amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the  
181 Department of Transportation for the purpose of establishing a Harbor  
182 Improvement Fund. Such fund shall be renewed annually based on the  
183 amount of funds obligated in the previous year.

184 (c) All provisions of section 3-20 of the general statutes, or the  
185 exercise of any right or power granted thereby, which are not  
186 inconsistent with the provisions of this section are hereby adopted and  
187 shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission  
188 pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in anticipation of the  
189 money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized  
190 may be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to  
191 time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not  
192 exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided  
193 in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond  
194 Commission authorizing such bonds. None of said bonds shall be  
195 authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that  
196 there has been filed with it a request for such authorization which is  
197 signed by or on behalf of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and  
198 Management and states such terms and conditions as said commission,  
199 in its discretion, may require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this  
200 section shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and  
201 credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the  
202 principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due, and  
203 accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of  
204 said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual  
205 payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the State  
206 Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become  
207 due.

208 (d) Nonbonded state funds may be used for harbor improvement  
209 projects at the Governor's discretion.

210 Sec. 11. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) The Harbor Improvement  
211 Fund may be used to support, in full or in part, local and state match  
212 requirements for federal dredging projects. The Harbor Improvement  
213 Fund may be used to pay the difference on federal dredging projects  
214 between the federal least cost environmentally acceptable method of  
215 disposing of dredge materials and the additional cost created by the  
216 state's testing or disposal requirements. In certain situations, the  
217 Harbor Improvement Fund may be used to cover part or all of the  
218 costs associated with a federal dredging project in the absence of  
219 adequate federal funds. In such situations, reimbursement to the  
220 Harbor Improvement Fund from the federal government shall be  
221 sought.

222 Sec. 12. Subsection (a) of section 13b-4d of the general statutes is  
223 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from*  
224 *passage*):

225 (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of the general statutes, the  
226 Commissioner of Transportation may declare a state of emergency and  
227 may employ, in any manner, such assistance as he may require to  
228 restore any railroad owned by the state or any of its subdivisions or the  
229 facilities, equipment or service of such railroad, or any transit system  
230 or its facilities, equipment or service, or any airport when: (1) A  
231 railroad system owned by the state or any of its subdivisions or any of  
232 the facilities or equipment of such railroad system is deemed by the  
233 commissioner to be in an unsafe condition or when there is an  
234 interruption of essential railroad services, whether or not such system  
235 or any of its facilities or equipment is physically damaged; [or] (2) a  
236 transit facility owned by the state or any of its subdivisions or the  
237 equipment of such facility is damaged as a result of a natural disaster  
238 or incurs substantial casualty loss which results in what is deemed by  
239 the commissioner to be an unsafe condition or when there is an  
240 interruption of essential transit services; or (3) an airport owned or  
241 operated by the state or any of its subdivisions or the equipment of  
242 such airport is damaged as a result of a natural disaster or incurs

243 substantial casualty loss which results in what is deemed by the  
244 commissioner to be an unsafe condition or when there is an  
245 interruption of essential transit services.

246 Sec. 13. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2007*) The Commissioner of  
247 Transportation shall develop and implement procedures, in  
248 accordance with the general statutes, for the leasing of naming rights  
249 of transit stations and other transit-owned property to private  
250 corporations and organizations. The commissioner shall use the  
251 proceeds of any such lease to defray mass transit costs.

252 Sec. 14. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of  
253 the general statutes, the Commissioner of Transportation shall convey  
254 to Andrea L. Mullen two parcels of land located in the towns of  
255 Coventry and Andover at the cost equal to the fair market value of the  
256 property as determined by the department plus the administrative  
257 costs to make such conveyance. Said parcels of land have a total area of  
258 approximately 7.82 acres and are identified on a map entitled land  
259 acquired from Francis D. Mullen et al., 32-114-11 by the state of  
260 Connecticut.

261 (b) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review of  
262 the exchange of said parcels of land not later than thirty days after it  
263 receives a proposed agreement from the Department of  
264 Transportation. The State Treasurer shall execute and deliver any deed  
265 or instrument necessary for a conveyance of state land under this  
266 section. The Commissioner of Transportation shall have the sole  
267 responsibility for all other incidents of such conveyance.

268 Sec. 15. Section 14-311 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
269 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

270 (a) No person, firm, corporation, state agency, or municipal agency  
271 or combination thereof shall build, expand, establish or operate any  
272 open air theater, shopping center or other development generating  
273 large volumes of traffic, having an exit or entrance on, or abutting or

274 adjoining, any state highway or substantially affecting state highway  
275 traffic within this state until such person or agency has procured from  
276 the State Traffic Commission a certificate that the operation thereof  
277 will not imperil the safety of the public.

278 (b) No local building official or state building inspector shall issue a  
279 building or foundation permit to any person, firm, corporation, state  
280 agency or municipal agency to build, expand, establish or operate such  
281 a development until the person, firm, corporation or agency provides  
282 to such official or inspector a copy of the certificate issued under this  
283 section by the commission. No such official or inspector shall issue a  
284 certificate of occupancy to any person, firm, corporation, state agency  
285 or municipal agency until such official or inspector has confirmed with  
286 the commission that all certificate requirements have been satisfied. (1)  
287 If the commission determines that any person, firm, corporation, or  
288 state or municipal agency has [(1)] started building, expanding,  
289 establishing or operating such a development without first obtaining a  
290 certificate from the commission [or (2) has failed to comply with the  
291 conditions of such a certificate,] and providing a copy of such  
292 certificate to a local building official or state building inspector for  
293 purposes of obtaining a building or foundation permit, it shall order  
294 the person, firm, corporation or agency to [(A)] cease constructing,  
295 expanding, establishing or operating the development. [or (B) comply  
296 with the conditions of the certificate within a reasonable period of  
297 time.] If such person, firm, corporation or agency fails to [(i)] cease  
298 such [work or (ii) comply with an order of the commission within such  
299 time as specified by the commission] action, the commission may  
300 [make an application to the superior court for the judicial district of  
301 Hartford or the judicial district where the development is located  
302 enjoining the construction, expansion, establishment or operation of  
303 such development] impose a civil fine of not more than five thousand  
304 dollars per day for any continued construction, expansion,  
305 establishment or operation of such development prior to the issuance  
306 of such certificate by the commission. (2) If the commission determines  
307 that any person, firm, corporation, state agency or municipal agency

308 has started operating such a development after obtaining a certificate  
309 from the commission and providing a copy of such certificate to a local  
310 building official or state building inspector for purposes of obtaining a  
311 building or foundation permit, but has failed to comply with the  
312 conditions of such certificate issued by the commission, the person,  
313 firm, corporation or agency shall be ordered by the commission to  
314 comply with the conditions of the certificate within a reasonable  
315 period of time. If such person, firm, corporation, state agency or  
316 municipal agency fails to comply with such order of the commission  
317 within such time as specified by the commission, the commission may  
318 impose a civil fine of not more than five thousand dollars per day or  
319 revoke such certificate at any time from the date of notification  
320 specified by the commission, for any continued operation of such  
321 development until the commission has determined that all certificate  
322 conditions have been satisfied.

323 (c) The State Traffic Commission shall issue its decision on an  
324 application for a certificate under subsection (a) of this section not later  
325 than one hundred twenty days after it is filed, except that, if the  
326 commission needs additional information from the applicant, it shall  
327 notify the applicant in writing as to what information is required and  
328 (1) the commission may toll the running of such one-hundred-twenty-  
329 day period by the number of days between and including the date  
330 such notice is received by the applicant and the date the additional  
331 information is received by the commission, and (2) if the commission  
332 receives the additional information during the last ten days of the one-  
333 hundred-twenty-day period and needs additional time to review and  
334 analyze such information, it may extend such period by not more than  
335 fifteen days. The State Traffic Commission may also, at its discretion,  
336 postpone action on any application submitted pursuant to this section  
337 or section 14-311a until such time as it is shown that an application has  
338 been filed with and approved by the municipal planning and zoning  
339 agency or other responsible municipal agency.

340 (d) In determining the advisability of such certification, the State

341 Traffic Commission shall include, in its consideration, highway safety,  
342 the width and character of the highways affected, the density of traffic  
343 thereon, the character of such traffic and the opinion and findings of  
344 the traffic authority of the municipality wherein the development is  
345 located. If the State Traffic Commission determines that traffic signals,  
346 pavement markings, channelization, pavement widening or other  
347 changes or traffic control devices are required to handle traffic safely  
348 and efficiently, one hundred per cent of the cost thereof shall be borne  
349 by the person building, establishing or operating such open air theater,  
350 shopping center or other development generating large volumes of  
351 traffic, except that such cost associated with the construction of a  
352 municipal building wholly owned and operated by a municipality  
353 shall not be borne by any municipal agency. The Commissioner of  
354 Transportation may issue a permit to said person to construct or install  
355 the changes required by the State Traffic Commission.

356 (e) Any person aggrieved by any decision of the State Traffic  
357 Commission hereunder may appeal therefrom in accordance with the  
358 provisions of section 4-183, except venue for such appeal shall be in the  
359 judicial district in which it is proposed to operate such establishment.  
360 The provisions of this section except insofar as such provisions relate  
361 to expansion shall not apply to any open air theater, shopping center  
362 or other development generating large volumes of traffic in operation  
363 on July 1, 1967.

364 Sec. 16. Section 14-311c of the general statutes is repealed and the  
365 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

366 (a) No group of persons, firms, corporations, state agencies or  
367 municipal agencies or combination thereof shall build, expand,  
368 establish or operate any open air theater, shopping center or other  
369 development generating large volumes of traffic on any group of  
370 individual parcels of land which are separately owned but are utilized  
371 together for a single development purpose, whether or not such  
372 parcels are separated by any state, local or private roadway, having an

373 exit or entrance on, or abutting or adjoining, any state highway or  
374 substantially affecting state highway traffic within this state until such  
375 group has procured from the State Traffic Commission a certificate  
376 that the operation thereof will not imperil the safety of the public.

377 (b) No local building official or state building inspector shall issue a  
378 building or foundation permit to any such group or member thereof to  
379 build, expand, establish or operate such a development until the group  
380 or member provides to such official or inspector a copy of the  
381 certificate issued under this section by the commission. No such  
382 official or inspector shall issue a certificate of occupancy to any group  
383 or member thereof until such official or inspector has confirmed with  
384 the commission that all certificate requirements have been satisfied. (1)  
385 If the commission determines that any group or member has [(1)]  
386 started building, expanding, establishing or operating such a  
387 development without first obtaining a certificate from the commission  
388 [or (2) has failed to comply with the conditions of such a certificate,]  
389 and providing a copy of such certificate to a local building official or  
390 state building inspector for purposes of obtaining a building or  
391 foundation permit, it shall order the group or member to [(A)] cease  
392 constructing, expanding, establishing or operating the development,  
393 [or (B) to comply with the conditions of the certificate within a  
394 reasonable period of time.] If such group or member fails to [(i)] cease  
395 such [work or (ii) comply with an order of the commission within such  
396 time as specified by the commission] action, the commission [or the  
397 traffic authority of the municipality wherein the development is  
398 located may make an application to the superior court for the judicial  
399 district of Hartford or the judicial district where the development is  
400 located enjoining the construction, expansion, establishment or the  
401 operation of such development] may impose a civil fine of not more  
402 than five thousand dollars per day for any continued construction,  
403 expansion, establishment or operation of such development prior to  
404 the issuance of such certificate by the commission. (2) If the  
405 commission determines that any group of persons, firms, corporations,  
406 state agencies or municipal agencies, or combination thereof, has

407 started operating such a development after obtaining a certificate from  
408 the commission and providing a copy of such certificate to a local  
409 building official or state building inspector for purposes of obtaining a  
410 building or foundation permit, but has failed to comply with the  
411 conditions of such certificate issued by the commission, the group of  
412 persons, firms, corporations, state agencies or municipal agencies, or  
413 combination thereof, shall be ordered by the commission to comply  
414 with the conditions of the certificate within a reasonable period of  
415 time. If such group of persons, firms, corporations, state agencies or  
416 municipal agencies fail to comply with such order of the commission  
417 within such time as specified by the commission, the commission may  
418 impose a civil fine of not more than five thousand dollars per day or  
419 revoke such certificate at any time from the date of notification  
420 specified by the commission, for any continued operation of such  
421 development until the commission has determined that all certificate  
422 conditions have been satisfied.

423 (c) The State Traffic Commission shall issue its decision on an  
424 application for a certificate under subsection (a) of this section not later  
425 than one hundred twenty days after it is filed, except that, if the  
426 commission needs additional information from the applicant, it shall  
427 notify the applicant in writing as to what information is required and  
428 (1) the commission may toll the running of such one-hundred-twenty-  
429 day period by the number of days between and including the date  
430 such notice is received by the applicant and the date the additional  
431 information is received by the commission, and (2) if the commission  
432 receives the additional information during the last ten days of the one-  
433 hundred-twenty-day period and needs additional time to review and  
434 analyze such information, it may extend such period by not more than  
435 fifteen days. The State Traffic Commission may also, at its discretion,  
436 postpone action on any application submitted pursuant to this section  
437 or section 14-311a until such time as it is shown that an application has  
438 been filed with and approved by the municipal planning and zoning  
439 agency or other responsible municipal agency.

440 (d) In determining the advisability of such certification, the State  
441 Traffic Commission shall include, in its consideration, highway safety,  
442 the width and character of the highways affected, the density of traffic  
443 thereon, the character of such traffic and the opinion and findings of  
444 the traffic authority of the municipality wherein the development is  
445 located. If the State Traffic Commission determines that traffic signals,  
446 pavement markings, channelization, pavement widening or other  
447 changes or traffic control devices are required to handle traffic safely  
448 and efficiently, one hundred per cent of the cost thereof shall be borne  
449 by the group building, establishing or operating such open air theater,  
450 shopping center or other development generating large volumes of  
451 traffic, except that such cost associated with the construction of a  
452 municipal building wholly owned and operated by a municipality  
453 shall not be borne by any municipal agency. The Commissioner of  
454 Transportation may issue a permit to said group to construct or install  
455 the changes required by the State Traffic Commission, in consultation  
456 with the local traffic authority.

457 (e) Any group aggrieved by any decision of the State Traffic  
458 Commission hereunder may appeal therefrom in accordance with the  
459 provisions of section 4-183, except venue for such appeal shall be in the  
460 judicial district in which it is proposed to operate such establishment.  
461 The provisions of this section except insofar as such provisions relate  
462 to expansion shall not apply to any open air theater, shopping center  
463 or other development generating large volumes of traffic which has  
464 received all necessary permits, variances, exceptions and approvals  
465 from the municipal zoning commission, planning commission,  
466 combined planning and zoning commission and zoning board of  
467 appeals in which such development is located prior to or on July 1,  
468 1985, or to any such development which is in operation on that date.

469 Sec. 17. (*Effective from passage*) The Route 372 overpass bridge in  
470 New Britain shall be designated the "Lieutenant Sherrod E. Skinner  
471 Memorial Bridge".

472       Sec. 18. (*Effective from passage*) The segment of Route 71 in New  
473 Britain, from the intersection of South Main Street and Rockwell  
474 Avenue to the Berlin town line, shall be designated the "Marine Corps  
475 League Memorial Highway".

476       Sec. 19. (*Effective from passage*) The segment of Interstate 91  
477 southbound near the Colt Building in Hartford shall be designated the  
478 "Sergeant Matthew D. Arace Memorial Highway".

479       Sec. 20. (*Effective from passage*) The segment of Route 66 from State  
480 Road 545 to Route 17 in Middletown shall be designated the "Charles  
481 E. Rau Memorial Highway".

482       Sec. 21. (*Effective from passage*) A segment of a road or bridge located  
483 in New Britain shall be named in honor of Representative Anthony  
484 Tercyak.

485       Sec. 22. (*Effective from passage*) A segment of a road or bridge located  
486 in New Britain shall be named in honor of Lieutenant Colonel Vincent  
487 J. Bracha.

488       Sec. 23. (*Effective from passage*) The segment of Route 16 westbound  
489 from Route 85 to Route 66 in Colchester shall be designated the "PFC  
490 William 'Jimmy' Johnston Congressional Medal of Honor Recipient  
491 Memorial Highway".

492       Sec. 24. (*Effective from passage*) Bridge number 05994 on southbound  
493 Interstate 91 in Hartford shall be designated the "Officers' Club of  
494 Connecticut Memorial Bridge".

495       Sec. 25. (*Effective from passage*) Bridge number 05307 on eastbound  
496 Interstate 84 in Danbury shall be designated the "Association of the  
497 United States Army Memorial Bridge".

498       Sec. 26. (*Effective from passage*) The segment of Route 174 from the  
499 New Britain border to Maple Hill Avenue in Newington shall be  
500 designated the "Master Police Officer Peter Lavery Memorial

501 Highway".

502       Sec. 27. (*Effective from passage*) The segment of Route 44 from the  
503 intersection of Simsbury Road to Route 167 shall be designated the  
504 "Avon Veterans' Memorial Highway".

505       Sec. 28. (*Effective from passage*) The "In Honor of the United States  
506 Army's First Infantry Division Bridge" shall be re-designated the  
507 "United States Army's First Infantry Division Bridge".

508       Sec. 29. (*Effective from passage*) The Route 140 bridge in Warehouse  
509 Point shall be designated the "World War I Bridge".

510       Sec. 30. (*Effective from passage*) The Route 136 bridge over the  
511 Saugatuck River in Westport shall be designated the "William F.  
512 Cribari Bridge".

513       Sec. 31. (*Effective from passage*) The segment of road from Memorial  
514 Field to the intersection of Route 37 to Overbrook Road in New  
515 Fairfield shall be designated "Veteran's Way".

516       Sec. 32. (*Effective from passage*) The segment of Route 39 from Route  
517 37 north to Spring Lake Road in Sherman shall be designated  
518 "Veteran's Way".

519       Sec. 33. (*Effective from passage*) The segment of road from the  
520 intersection of School Street and Route 341 to Route 7 in Kent shall be  
521 designated "Veteran's Way".

522       Sec. 34. (*Effective from passage*) A segment of the Connecticut  
523 Turnpike shall be designated "AMVETS Post 1".

524       Sec. 35. (*Effective from passage*) Route 116 in Ridgefield shall be  
525 designated the "Elizabeth M. Leonard Memorial Highway".

526       Sec. 36. (*Effective from passage*) Route 35 in Ridgefield shall be  
527 designated the "Richard E. Venus Memorial Highway".

528        Sec. 37. (*Effective from passage*) The segment of Route 85 in Salem  
 529 shall be designated the "Officer H. David Cordell Memorial Highway".

530        Sec. 38. (*Effective from passage*) The segment of Route 4 eastbound  
 531 from Brickyard Road to Route 10 in Farmington shall be designated  
 532 the "Lieutenant Colonel Warren Lane Memorial Highway".

533        Sec. 39. (*Effective from passage*) The segment of Route 5 from Route  
 534 150 to the Meriden border in Wallingford shall be designated the  
 535 "VFW CT Ladies Auxiliary Highway".

536        Sec. 40. Sections 4 and 31 of public act 05-279 are repealed. (*Effective*  
 537 *from passage*)

538        Sec. 41. Section 6 of special act 99-17 is repealed. (*Effective from*  
 539 *passage*)

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	13a-80(c)
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	15-11a(b)
Sec. 3	<i>from passage</i>	15-11a(f)
Sec. 4	<i>from passage</i>	15-13c(e)
Sec. 5	<i>from passage</i>	15-13c(g)
Sec. 6	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	14-260n
Sec. 7	<i>October 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 8	<i>from passage</i>	13b-57
Sec. 9	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 10	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 11	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 12	<i>from passage</i>	13b-4d(a)
Sec. 13	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 14	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 15	<i>from passage</i>	14-311
Sec. 16	<i>from passage</i>	14-311c
Sec. 17	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 18	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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Sec. 40	<i>from passage</i>	Repealer section
Sec. 41	<i>from passage</i>	Repealer section

**Statement of Purpose:**

To amend statutes concerning the Department of Transportation.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*