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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 29

File No. 653

Cal. No. 441

(As Amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A")

**"AN ACT AUTHORIZING AND ADJUSTING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, TRANSPORTATION AND OTHER PURPOSES."**

1 Strike subsection (d) of section 2 in its entirety and insert the  
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "(d) For the Office of Policy and Management: For transit-oriented  
4 development and predevelopment activities, not exceeding  
5 \$7,000,000."

6 Strike section 8 in its entirety and insert the following in lieu thereof:

7 "Sec. 8. (Effective July 1, 2014) The State Bond Commission shall have  
8 power, in accordance with the provisions of this section and sections 9

9 to 15, inclusive, of this act, from time to time to authorize the issuance  
10 of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts in  
11 the aggregate, not exceeding \$199,500,000."

12 Strike subdivision (4) of subsection (e) of section 9 in its entirety and  
13 insert the following in lieu thereof:

14 "(4) Grants-in-aid to nonprofit organizations sponsoring children's  
15 museums, aquariums and science-related programs, not exceeding  
16 \$17,100,000, provided not more than \$10,500,000 shall be used as a  
17 grant-in-aid to the Connecticut Science Center and not more than  
18 \$6,600,000 shall be used as a grant-in-aid to the Maritime Aquarium in  
19 Norwalk."

20 Strike section 30 in its entirety and insert the following in lieu  
21 thereof:

22 "Sec. 30. Subsection (a) of section 10a-110m of the general statutes is  
23 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
24 *1, 2014*):

25 (a) For the purposes described in subsection (b) of this section, the  
26 State Bond Commission shall have the power, from time to time, to  
27 authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and  
28 in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate [one hundred  
29 seventy-two million five hundred thousand] one hundred sixty-nine  
30 million five hundred thousand dollars, provided one hundred fifty-  
31 four million five hundred thousand dollars of said authorization shall  
32 be effective July 1, 2012."

33 Strike subsection (b) of section 33 in its entirety and insert the  
34 following in lieu thereof:

35 "(b) [Not later than June 30, 2006, the Stem Cell] The Regenerative  
36 Medicine Research Advisory Committee established pursuant to  
37 section 19a-32f, as amended by this act, shall develop an application  
38 for grants-in-aid under this section for the purpose of conducting

39 [embryonic or human adult stem cell] regenerative medicine research  
40 and may receive applications from eligible institutions for such grants-  
41 in-aid. [on and after said date. The Stem Cell] The Regenerative  
42 Medicine Research Advisory Committee shall require any applicant  
43 for a grant-in-aid under this section to conduct [stem cell] regenerative  
44 medicine research to submit (1) a complete description of the  
45 applicant's organization, (2) the applicant's plans for [stem cell]  
46 regenerative medicine research and proposed funding for such  
47 research from sources other than the state, [of Connecticut,] and (3)  
48 proposed arrangements concerning financial benefits to the state [of  
49 Connecticut] as a result of any patent, royalty payment or similar  
50 rights developing from any [stem cell] proposed research made  
51 possible by the awarding of such grant-in-aid. [Said committee shall  
52 direct the Commissioner of Public Health] The Regenerative Medicine  
53 Research Advisory Committee shall direct the chief executive officer of  
54 Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, with respect to the awarding of  
55 such grants-in-aid after considering recommendations from the [Stem  
56 Cell] Regenerative Medicine Research Peer Review Committee  
57 established pursuant to section 19a-32g, as amended by this act."

58 Strike subsection (f) of section 33 in its entirety and insert the  
59 following in lieu thereof:

60 "(f) [Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated shall serve as  
61 administrative staff of the committee and shall assist the committee in  
62 (1) developing the application for the grants-in-aid authorized under  
63 subsection (e) of this section, (2) reviewing such applications, (3)  
64 preparing and executing any assistance agreements or other  
65 agreements in connection with the awarding of such grants-in-aid, and  
66 (4) performing such other administrative duties as the committee  
67 deems necessary] Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated, shall serve as  
68 administrator of the Regenerative Medicine Research Fund and shall,  
69 in consultation with the Regenerative Medicine Research Advisory  
70 Committee: (1) Develop the application for the grants-in-aid  
71 authorized under subsection (b) of section 19a-32e, as amended by this

72 act; (2) review such applications; (3) review recommendations of the  
73 Regenerative Medicine Research Advisory Committee, established  
74 pursuant to section 19a-32g, as amended by this act; (4) prepare and  
75 execute any assistance agreements or other agreements in connection  
76 with the awarding of such grants-in-aid; (5) develop performance  
77 metrics and systems to collect data from recipients of such grants-in-  
78 aid; (6) collect information from such recipients concerning each  
79 recipient's employment statistics, business accomplishments and  
80 performance outcomes, peer review articles and papers published,  
81 partnerships and collaborations with other entities, licenses, patents  
82 and invention disclosures, scientific progress as it relates to the  
83 commercialization of intellectual property funded by such grants-in-  
84 aid, efforts to commercialize such intellectual property, and other  
85 funds received for research; and (7) performing such other  
86 administrative duties as the Regenerative Medicine Research Advisory  
87 Committee deems necessary."

88 Strike subsection (j) of section 40 in its entirety and insert the  
89 following in lieu thereof:

90 "(j) Financial assistance awarded from the Connecticut  
91 Manufacturing Innovation Fund to eligible recipients shall be used for  
92 costs related to facilities, necessary furniture, fixtures and equipment,  
93 tooling development and manufacture, materials and supplies, proof  
94 of concept or relevance, research and development, compensation,  
95 apprenticeship and such other costs that the Manufacturing Innovation  
96 Advisory Board determines pursuant to subsection (i) of this section to  
97 be eligible for financial assistance within the purposes of this section."

98 Strike subsection (a) of section 58 in its entirety and insert the  
99 following in lieu thereof:

100 "Sec. 58. (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Commissioner of Energy and  
101 Environmental Protection may enter into a contract with: (1) The Trust  
102 for Public Land for the purchase of approximately nine hundred  
103 twenty-four acres of land located in the town of Old Saybrook, and (2)

104 the town of Westbrook for the purchase of approximately four acres of  
105 land located in the town of Westbrook. Such properties are commonly  
106 known as "The Preserve," and are further described on a certain map  
107 entitled, "Monumented Property Survey Map of the Perimeter of  
108 Lands of River Sound Development, LLC, Essex Road - Connecticut  
109 Route 153, Ingham Hill Road-Bokum Road, Essex, Old Saybrook,  
110 Westbrook, Connecticut, Scale: 1"=500' (1"=100' Sheets 2 to 15), Date:  
111 October 7, 2013; Map Revised To February 13, 2014" and prepared by  
112 Stein Survey PO Box 1097, 1163 Boston Post Road, Westbrook, CT  
113 06498. Said subject parcel is comprised of some 924.5 acres of land in  
114 the town of Old Saybrook and some 3.7 acres of land in the town of  
115 Westbrook except for all lands in the town of Essex and 2.1 acres of  
116 land in the town of Old Saybrook, as shown on such map."

117 Strike section 85 in its entirety and insert the following in lieu  
118 thereof:

119 "Sec. 85. Section 28 of public act 13-239 is amended to read as  
120 follows (*Effective July 1, 2014*):

121 The proceeds of the sale of bonds described in sections 27 to 30,  
122 inclusive, of [this act] public act 13-239 shall be used by the  
123 Department of Housing for the purposes hereinafter stated: Housing  
124 development and rehabilitation, including moderate cost housing,  
125 moderate rental, congregate and elderly housing, urban homesteading,  
126 community housing development corporations, housing purchase and  
127 rehabilitation, housing for the homeless, housing for low income  
128 persons, limited equity cooperatives and mutual housing projects,  
129 abatement of hazardous material including asbestos and lead-based  
130 paint in residential structures, emergency repair assistance for senior  
131 citizens, housing land bank and land trust, housing and community  
132 development, predevelopment grants and loans, reimbursement for  
133 state and federal surplus property, private rental investment mortgage  
134 and equity program, housing infrastructure, demolition, renovation or  
135 redevelopment of vacant buildings or related infrastructure, septic  
136 system repair loan program, acquisition and related rehabilitation

137 including loan guarantees for private developers of rental housing for  
138 the elderly, projects under the program established in section 8-37pp of  
139 the general statutes, revitalization of state moderate rental housing  
140 units on the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority's State Housing  
141 Portfolio and participation in federal programs, including  
142 administrative expenses associated with those programs eligible under  
143 the general statutes, not exceeding \$70,000,000, provided not more  
144 than \$1,000,000 shall be used for development of adult family homes,  
145 not more than \$1,000,000 shall be used for grants-in-aid for  
146 accessibility modifications for persons transitioning from institutions  
147 to homes under the Money Follows the Person program, [and not  
148 more than \$30,000,000 shall be used for revitalization of state moderate  
149 rental housing units on the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority's  
150 State Housing Portfolio] and not less than \$20,000,000 shall be used to  
151 promote homeownership through new home construction or home  
152 conversion in the cities of Hartford, New Haven, Bridgeport, New  
153 London, New Britain, Norwalk and Stamford."

154 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and  
155 internal references accordingly:

156 "Sec. 501. (*Effective July 1, 2014*) (a) For the purposes described in  
157 subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have  
158 the power from time to time to authorize the issuance of bonds of the  
159 state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in  
160 the aggregate three million dollars.

161 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the  
162 amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the  
163 Department of Energy and Environmental Protection for the purpose  
164 of a grant-in-aid to the town of Mansfield to be used for the  
165 wastewater component of the Four Corners project.

166 (c) All provisions of section 3-20 of the general statutes, or the  
167 exercise of any right or power granted thereby, which are not  
168 inconsistent with the provisions of this section are hereby adopted and

169 shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission  
170 pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in anticipation of the  
171 money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized  
172 may be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to  
173 time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not  
174 exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided  
175 in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond  
176 Commission authorizing such bonds. None of said bonds shall be  
177 authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that  
178 there has been filed with it a request for such authorization which is  
179 signed by or on behalf of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and  
180 Management and states such terms and conditions as said commission,  
181 in its discretion, may require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this  
182 section shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and  
183 credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the  
184 principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due, and  
185 accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of  
186 said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual  
187 payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the State  
188 Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become  
189 due.

190 Sec. 502. Section 13b-236 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
191 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2014*):

192 (a) For the purposes described in subsection (b) of this section, the  
193 State Bond Commission shall have the power, from time to time, to  
194 authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and  
195 in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate [seven million five  
196 hundred thousand] seventeen million five hundred thousand dollars.

197 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the  
198 amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the  
199 Department of Transportation for a program of competitive grants for  
200 commercial rail freight lines operating in the state for improvements  
201 and repairs to, and the modernization of, existing rail, rail beds and

202 related facilities. Such program shall include the following: (1) (A)  
203 Grants of one hundred per cent of the amount necessary to improve,  
204 repair or modernize state-owned rights of way, and (B) grants of  
205 seventy per cent of the amount necessary to improve, repair or  
206 modernize privately owned rail lines, provided the commissioner may  
207 waive the requirement for a thirty per cent matching grant if such  
208 improvement, repair or modernization demonstrably increases rail  
209 freight traffic; and (2) preference for grants shall be given to (A)  
210 proposals that are on the Department of Transportation's list of freight  
211 rail projects eligible to receive funds pursuant to P.L. 111-5, the  
212 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, (B) freight rail projects that  
213 improve at-grade rail crossings to eliminate hazards or increase safety,  
214 [and] (C) freight rail projects that provide connection to major freight  
215 generators, (D) projects that further the goals and objectives of the  
216 Department of Transportation's Connecticut State Rail Plan, and (E)  
217 freight rail projects that improve freight rail infrastructure by  
218 increasing the capacity for rail freight traffic.

219 (c) All provisions of section 3-20, or the exercise of any right or  
220 power granted thereby, which are not inconsistent with the provisions  
221 of this section are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds  
222 authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and  
223 temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be derived from the  
224 sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with  
225 said section 3-20 and from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall  
226 mature at such time or times not exceeding twenty years from their  
227 respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or  
228 resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds.  
229 None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a finding by the  
230 State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it a request for  
231 such authorization which is signed by or on behalf of the Secretary of  
232 the Office of Policy and Management and states such terms and  
233 conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may require. Said  
234 bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be general obligations of the  
235 state and the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are



236 pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds  
 237 as the same become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of  
 238 the state with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts  
 239 necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is  
 240 hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and  
 241 interest as the same become due."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 8	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	New section
Sec. 30	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	10a-110m(a)
Sec. 58	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 85	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	PA 13-239, Sec. 28
Sec. 501	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	New section
Sec. 502	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	13b-236