

## Transportation Committee JOINT FAVORABLE REPORT

**Bill No.:** SB-986

**Title:** AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONNECTICUT PORT AUTHORITY.

**Vote Date:** 3/20/2019

**Vote Action:** Joint Favorable

**PH Date:** 3/6/2019

**File No.:**

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### **SPONSORS OF BILL:**

Transportation Committee

### **REASONS FOR BILL:**

To makes minor technical updates to the Port Authority statute.

### **RESPONSE FROM ADMINISTRATION/AGENCY:**

None

### **NATURE AND SOURCES OF SUPPORT:**

None

### **NATURE AND SOURCES OF OPPOSITION:**

Connecticut Conference of Municipalities (CCM) (with concerns)-

CCM would ask the Committee to consider adopting language that ensures that the host municipality is included in any discussions or negotiations that would result in the acquisition or sale of land by the CT Port Authority.

The need for language that clarifies the role of a host municipality was recently highlighted when the CT Port Authority granted a private for-profit company a long-term lease to operate the State Pier in New London. This deal originally included provisions for the Port Authority to receive \$750,000 annually in addition to 10% of any profit generated by the operation of the port. The host city of New London would have received their existing PILOT funding of approximately \$250,000 and had little if any input regarding the terms of the contract or reimbursement to the city which is responsible for providing police and fire service in addition to infrastructure maintenance.

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