The House of Representatives was called to order at 1:00 o'clock p.m., Deputy Speaker Michelle L. Cook in the Chair.

Prayer was offered by Deputy Chaplain, Imam Refai Arefin of Berlin, Connecticut.

The following is the prayer:

Let us pray. In the spirit of the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., we give thanks to You, our Lord and Sustainer; for our purpose is greater than the challenges we face; our resolve is greater than our setbacks; our sum is greater than our parts; and, our love for each other conquers all.

As we welcome new Members, we thank You for the contributions of all the outgoing Members of the House - who debated vigorously and worked tirelessly. We appreciate what they accomplished and set out to do - what they could not, for the generations to come.

Grant strength, wisdom and foresight to our Speaker and the Members of both the House and the Senate and to the Governor. May all their efforts issue forth - to the benefit of our State and its people - both now and long into the future. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Representative Barry of the 31st District.

REPORTS

The following reports were received on the date indicated, read by the Clerk and referred to the Committees indicated:

Annual Report - Office of the State Treasurer - Annual Report on the Financial Condition of the Second Injury Fund. (Hard Copy) (Pursuant to Section 31-349f of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date Received: July 3, 2018

Referred to the Committees on Labor and Public Employees and Insurance and Real Estate.

Report - Connecticut Judicial Branch - Biennial Report and Statistics for the Years 2016-2018. (Pursuant to Section 51-1c of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date Received: January 9, 2019

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Report - Connecticut Advisory Council on Housing Matters - Report to the General Assembly (Pursuant to Section 47a-73 of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date Received: January 9, 2019

Referred to the Committees on Housing and Judiciary.
Communication - Connecticut Judicial Branch - Supreme Court - Rules of Court. (Pursuant to Section 51-14(b) of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date Received: January 9, 2019

Report - Auditors of Public Accounts - Auditors' Report - Central Connecticut State University - National Collegiate Athletic Association for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date Received: January 10, 2019

Report - Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection - 2018 Annual Report on the Findings of the Military Occupational Specialty Task Force. (Pursuant to Public Act 14-131 and Sections 4-1bb(c) and 11-4a of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date Received: January 10, 2019

Report - State of Connecticut - Judicial Branch - Court Support Services Division - Annual Report - Electronic Monitoring and Supervision of Sex Offenders - January 2019. (Pursuant to Section 54-260a of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date Received: January 10, 2019

Report - Department of Correction - Office of the Commissioner - Report to the Criminal Justice Policy and Planning Division. (Pursuant to Public Act 17-239 and Section 11-4a of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date Received: January 11, 2019

Report - Connecticut Green Bank - Progress Report on the Connecticut Green Bank Residential Solar Investment Program (RSIP). (Pursuant to Section 16-245ff of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date Received: January 11, 2019

Report - Connecticut Green Bank - 2018 Annual Report. (Pursuant to Sections 16-245n(f)(1) and 11-4a of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date Received: January 11, 2019

Report - Office of the Claims Commissioner - Claims Commissioner's 2019 Annual Report. (Pursuant to Sections 4-159 and 4-159a of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date Received: January 14, 2019

Report - Department of Insurance - Property Casualty Insurance Rate Reviews for Calendar Year 2018. (Pursuant to Sections 11-4a and 38a-9(c) of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date Received: January 16, 2019


Report - Department of Administrative Services - Connecticut Commission for Educational Technology - Annual Report for Calendar Year 2018. (Pursuant to Section 4d-80(c)(8) of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date Received: January 17, 2019
Report - Auditors of Public Accounts - 2018 Annual Report to the General Assembly. (Pursuant to Section 2-92 of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date Received: January 17, 2019
Referred to the Committees on Appropriations and Finance, Revenue and Bonding.

Report - State Department of Education - Connecticut Manufacturing Committee Report - January 16, 2019. (Pursuant to Sections 10-21j(c) and 11-4a of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date Received: January 17, 2019
Referred to the Committees on Commerce and Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report - Department of Education - Connecticut Technical High School System - Biennial Summary Report 2016-17 and 2017-18 and Adult Program Enrollment, 2016-17 and 2017-18, By School (Pursuant to Section 10-95k of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date Received: January 17, 2019
Referred to the Committees on Education, Finance, Revenue and Bonding and Appropriations.

Report - Board of Education - Report of the Interagency Council for Ending the Achievement Gap. (Pursuant to Section 10-16nn(b) of the Connecticut General Statutes. Date Received: January 17, 2019
Referred to the Committee on Education.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS
HOUSE AND SENATE BILLS

On motion of Representative Ritter of the 1st District, the first reading of the following bills and resolutions was waived, the list of bills and resolutions as prepared by the Clerks was accepted, and the bills and resolutions referred to the committees as indicated thereon in concurrence.

APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed H.B. No. 5674 REP. FERRARO, 117th DIST. 'AN ACT ELIMINATING REIMBURSEMENTS TO STATE EMPLOYEES FOR MILEAGE FROM THE CALCULATION OF RETIREMENT INCOME', to exclude mileage reimbursements from state employee pension calculations.

Proposed H.B. No. 5675 REP. PETIT, 22nd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PORTIONS OF THE STATE BUDGET APPROPRIATING AID TO MUNICIPALITIES', to provide predictability to municipalities when determining their budget.

Proposed H.B. No. 5676 REP. MICHEL, 146th DIST. 'AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR EQUIPMENT TO ENABLE THE ELDERLY AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES TO PARTICIPATE IN PUBLIC HEARINGS REMOTELY', to provide funding for the equipment needed to enable the remote participation of the elderly and persons with disabilities at legislative public hearings.

Proposed H.B. No. 5677 REP. TURCO, 27th DIST.; REP. LOPES, 24th DIST.; SEN. LESSER, 9th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES TO MUNICIPALITIES FOR MANUFACTURING MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT', to assist municipalities with the cost of providing the manufacturing machinery and equipment exemption, provide property tax relief and encourage growth in manufacturing.

Proposed H.B. No. 5678 REP. LAVIELLE, 143rd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATE BUDGET PROCESS', to require state government to live within its means.
Proposed H.B. No. 5679 REP. CARNEY, 23rd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PORTIONS OF THE STATE BUDGET APPROPRIATING AID TO MUNICIPALITIES', to aid municipalities in their budget-making process.

Proposed H.B. No. 5680 REP. FERRARO, 117th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE CALCULATION OF RETIREMENT INCOME FOR NEWLY HIRED STATE EMPLOYEES', to reduce state employee pension costs.

BANKING

Proposed H.B. No. 5681 REP. PAVALOCK-D'AMATO, 77th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING MORTGAGE LENDERS AND MORTGAGE SERVICERS TO REPORT THE RECEIPT OF CERTAIN MORTGAGE PAYMENTS TO CREDIT RATING AGENCIES', to require mortgage lenders and mortgage servicers to report to credit rating agencies the receipt of a mortgage payment made by a mortgagor after such mortgagor has filed a petition for bankruptcy.

COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN

Proposed H.B. No. 5682 REP. PETIT, 22nd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING ELIGIBILITY FOR POST-SECONDARY EDUCATIONAL EXPENSE ASSISTANCE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES', to require the Department of Children and Families to expand eligibility for post-secondary educational expense assistance to individuals who were adopted after December 31, 2002.

Proposed H.B. No. 5683 REP. LINEHAN, 103rd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING WATER SAFETY TRAINING FOR CHILDREN', to teach children proper water safety techniques utilizing a waterless water safety program.

EDUCATION

Proposed H.B. No. 5684 REP. KENNEDY, 119th DIST. 'AN ACT PERMITTING BOARDS OF EDUCATION TO IMPLEMENT LESSON PLANS ON THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES', to allow towns to implement lesson plans on the Constitution of the United States.

Proposed H.B. No. 5685 REP. LAVIELLE, 143rd DIST. 'AN ACT PROHIBITING THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH FROM MAKING RESCISSIONS TO A TOWN'S EDUCATION COST-SHARING GRANT DURING THE FISCAL YEAR', to prohibit the Governor from making rescissions to towns' education cost-sharing grants during a fiscal year.

ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY

Proposed H.B. No. 5686 REP. PAVALOCK-D'AMATO, 77th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING A STUDY OF A CAP ON CHARGES FOR THE TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRICITY', to require the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority to study a cap on charges for the transmission and distribution of electricity.

Proposed H.B. No. 5687 REP. FERRARO, 117th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING ELECTRIC SUPPLIERS REDUCING RATES FOR GENERATION SERVICES WITHOUT NOTICE', to allow electric suppliers to reduce a customer's rate for generation services without notice.

ENVIRONMENT
Proposed H.B. No. 5688 REP. PAVALOCK-D'AMATO, 77th DIST. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING BOW AND ARROW HUNTERS TO CARRY A FIREARM FOR PROTECTION', to allow bow and arrow hunters to carry a firearm for protection.

Proposed H.B. No. 5689 REP. SLAP, 19th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A MANUAL FOR THE SAFE CONSTRUCTION OF RESIDENTIAL PIERS AND DOCKS', to better provide for safe residential docks and piers in the state.

Proposed H.B. No. 5690 REP. HUGHES, 135th DIST. 'AN ACT INCREASING THE NUMBER OF STATE SLAUGHTERHOUSE INSPECTORS', to increase farmer access to properly certified and inspected slaughterhouses and reduce unnecessary delay, expenses and pollution caused by such out-of-state slaughtering.

FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING

Proposed H.B. No. 5691 REP. HUGHES, 135th DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A FEE ON THE SALE OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY', to establish a fee on the sale of certain real property in the state, such fee to be dedicated to the unfunded pension liability of the state.

Proposed H.B. No. 5692 REP. BETTS, 78th DIST.; SEN. MARTIN, 31st DIST. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW POLICE DEPARTMENT IN PLYMOUTH', to provide funding for the construction of a new police department in Plymouth.

Proposed H.B. No. 5693 REP. KOKORUDA, 101st DIST. 'AN ACT ELIMINATING THE ESTATE TAX', to eliminate the estate tax.

Proposed H.B. No. 5694 REP. PISCOPO, 76th DIST. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR THE RAILROAD MUSEUM OF NEW ENGLAND IN THOMASTON', to provide funding to the Railroad Museum of New England in the town of Thomaston for construction and renovations to the museum.

Proposed H.B. No. 5695 REP. WILSON, 66th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEDUCTION AND WITHHOLDING OF PERSONAL INCOME TAX FROM NONPAYROLL DISTRIBUTIONS', to eliminate the requirement that payers of nonpayroll distributions deduct and withhold personal income tax from such distributions.

Proposed H.B. No. 5696 REP. CARNEY, 23rd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEDUCTION AND WITHHOLDING OF PERSONAL INCOME TAX FROM PENSION PAYMENTS AND ANNUITY DISTRIBUTIONS', to exempt pension payments and annuity distributions from the deduction and withholding of personal income tax from such payments or distributions by the payer.

Proposed H.B. No. 5697 REP. MASTROFRANCESCO, 80th DIST. 'AN ACT ELIMINATING THE EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT', to eliminate the earned income tax credit.

Proposed H.B. No. 5698 REP. CARNEY, 23rd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEDUCTION AND WITHHOLDING OF PERSONAL INCOME TAX FROM PENSION PAYMENTS', to exempt pension payments from the deduction and withholding of personal income tax from such payments by the payer, unless the payee has submitted a CT-W4P withholding certificate to the payer.
Proposed H.B. No. 5699 REP. Klarides, 114th DIST.; REP. Candelora, 86th DIST.; REP. O'Dea, 125th DIST.; REP. O'Neill, 69th DIST.; REP. Kokoruda, 101st DIST.; REP. Zupkus, 89th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEDUCTION AND WITHHOLDING OF THE PERSONAL INCOME TAX FROM PENSION PAYMENTS', to eliminate the requirement that income tax be deducted and withheld from pension payments unless the payee has submitted a CT-W4P withholding certificate to the payer.

Proposed H.B. No. 5700 REP. Gilchrest, 18th DIST.; SEN. Haskell, 26th DIST. 'AN ACT INCREASING THE RATE OF THE SALES AND USE TAXES ON AMMUNITION', to increase the rate of the sales and use taxes on ammunition.

GENERAL LAW

Proposed H.B. No. 5701 REP. Pavalock-D'Amato, 77th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING AUTOMATED SALES SOLICITATION CALLS', to protect consumers from abusive automated sales solicitation call practices.

Proposed H.B. No. 5702 REP. Delnicki, 14th DIST.; REP. Vail, 52nd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING QUARRY STANDARDS AND TESTING', to improve quarry standards and testing to mitigate pyrrhotite-induced concrete deterioration.

Proposed H.B. No. 5703 REP. Cheeseman, 37th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF CURRENCY AS PAYMENT IN LOCAL BUSINESSES', to allow consumers to be able to use cash as payment in Connecticut businesses.

Proposed H.B. No. 5704 REP. Pavalock-D'Amato, 77th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING LIQUOR LICENSE FEES', to allow certain liquor license applicants to pay a lower license fee if they already hold another type of liquor license.

GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Proposed H.B. No. 5705 REP. Pavalock-D'Amato, 77th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PRESERVATION OF CERTAIN CAMPAIGN FINANCE RECORDS', to reduce by half the time a committee treasurer is required to preserve certain campaign finance records.

Proposed H.B. No. 5706 REP. Pavalock-D'Amato, 77th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING ELECTION MATERIALS AT POLLING PLACES AND ELECTION DAY REGISTRATION LOCATIONS', to define the term "disenfranchise", or any derivation thereof, on certain materials used on the day of an election.

Proposed H.B. No. 5707 REP. Kokoruda, 101st DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING THE SUSPENSION OF CIVIL PENALTIES FOR MINOR AND UNINTENTIONAL VIOLATIONS OF CAMPAIGN FINANCE LAWS', to permit individuals to remediate first-time, minor, unintentional campaign finance law violations without civil penalty if remediation is done in a timely manner.

Proposed H.B. No. 5708 REP. Hall, 7th DIST. 'AN ACT DESIGNATING THIRTEENTH AMENDMENT DAY', to spread awareness of the ratification of the thirteenth amendment to the United States Constitution, which abolished slavery.

Proposed H.B. No. 5709 REP. Pavalock-D'Amato, 77th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING UNCLAIMED CHECKS OF TOWNS AND BOARDS OF EDUCATION'. to require the payment of checks made out to a town or board of education that have remained unclaimed to such town or board.

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Proposed H.B. No. 5710 REP. FREY, 111th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING DENSITY REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS', to require developers of affordable housing to protect water resources.

Proposed H.B. No. 5711 REP. TURCO, 27th DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A CREDIT AGAINST THE PERSONAL INCOME TAX FOR THE PURCHASE OF A HOUSE BY FIRST-TIME HOMEBUYERS', to establish a first-time homebuyers' tax credit program.

Proposed H.B. No. 5712 REP. MCGEE, 5th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONNECTICUT CLEAN SLATE LAW', to provide for the automatic sealing of a person's criminal record for certain offenses after seven years.

Proposed H.B. No. 5713 REP. MCGEE, 5th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING INQUIRIES ABOUT THE CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS OF A PROSPECTIVE TENANT', to prohibit landlords from inquiring about a prospective tenant's criminal convictions before an offer of housing or conditional offer of housing is made.

Proposed H.B. No. 5714 REP. HUGHES, 135th DIST.; REP. ALLIE-BRENNAN, 2nd DIST. 'AN ACT EXPANDING MENTAL HEALTH CARE OPTIONS UNDER THE MEDICAID PROGRAM', to provide mental health parity and reduce costs in the Medicaid program through early intervention by increasing consumer access to a larger menu of accredited providers.

Proposed H.B. No. 5715 REP. PAVALOCK-D'AMATO, 77th DIST. 'AN ACT PROHIBITING UNAUTHORIZED CASH WITHDRAWALS WITH EBT CARDS', to prohibit the use of electronic benefit transfer cards to withdraw cash for unauthorized purposes.

Proposed H.B. No. 5716 REP. PAVALOCK-D'AMATO, 77th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING CERTAIN RECIPIENTS OF CASH ASSISTANCE TO UNDERGO TESTS FOR USE OF ILLEGAL SUBSTANCES', to require periodic drug testing for certain cash assistance benefits.

Proposed H.B. No. 5717 REP. PAVALOCK-D'AMATO, 77th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING EBT CARD USERS TO PRESENT PHOTO IDENTIFICATION', to prevent fraudulent use of electronic benefit transfer cards.

Proposed H.B. No. 5718 REP. HUGHES, 135th DIST. 'AN ACT SUPPORTING AGING IN PLACE', to promote aging in place and avert costly institutional care.

Proposed H.B. No. 5719 REP. PAVALOCK-D'AMATO, 77th DIST. 'AN ACT CUTTING COSTS OF NOTIFICATIONS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES', to increase efficiencies and generate cost savings.

Proposed H.B. No. 5720 REP. LAVIELLE, 143rd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING SERVICES FOR PERSONS WITH SMITH-MAGENIS SYNDROME', to provide individuals suffering from Smith-Magenis Syndrome with certain coverage and eligibility for benefits in Connecticut.

Proposed H.B. No. 5721 REP. PAVALOCK-D'AMATO, 77th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING RENEWAL APPLICATIONS FOR SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION
ASSISTANCE', to eliminate the requirement that recipients of supplemental nutrition assistance apply for renewal of benefits by telephone.

INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE

Proposed H.B. No. 5722 REP. ARESIMOWICZ, 30th DIST.; REP. SCANLON, 98th DIST.; REP. DATHAN, 142nd DIST.; REP. ABERCROMBIE, 83rd DIST.; REP. WILSON PHEANIOUS, 53rd DIST.; REP. HADDAD, 54th DIST.; REP. RYAN, 139th DIST.; REP. TURCO, 27th DIST.; REP. MORIN, 28th DIST.; REP. LEMAR, 96th DIST.; REP. JOHNSON, 49th DIST.; REP. GODFREY, 110th DIST.; REP. VARGAS, 6th DIST.; REP. ELLIOTT, 88th DIST.; REP. SANTIAGO, 84th DIST.; REP. DILLON, 92nd DIST.; REP. CONLEY, 40th DIST.; REP. HALI, 7th DIST.; REP. REYES, 75th DIST.; REP. PALM, 36th DIST.; REP. GILCHREST, 18th DIST.; REP. MCGEE, 5th DIST.; REP. HUGHES, 135th DIST.; REP. ROSARIO, 128th DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PUBLIC HEALTH INSURANCE OPTION', to establish a public health insurance option.

Proposed H.B. No. 5723 REP. CUMMINGS, 74th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE PAYMENT OF MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENTS BY INSURANCE COMPANIES', to require that insurance companies tender payment directly to counsel for Medicare beneficiaries in certain circumstances.

Proposed H.B. No. 5724 REP. PAVALOCK-D'AMATO, 77th DIST. 'AN ACT EXPANDING REQUIRED HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR CRANIOFACIAL DISORDERS', to expand required health insurance coverage for craniofacial disorders to include coverage for the diagnosis and treatment of underlying congenital diseases and anomalies.

JUDICIARY

Proposed H.B. No. 5725 REP. LAVIELLE, 143rd DIST.; REP. KOKORUDA, 101st DIST.; REP. KUPCHICK, 132nd DIST.; REP. CAMILLO, 151st DIST.; REP. WOOD, 141st DIST.; REP. DEVLIN, 134th DIST.; REP. FLOREN, 149th DIST.; REP. FREY, 111th DIST.; REP. CARNEY, 23rd DIST.; REP. O'DEA, 125th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING GHOST GUNS', to ban ghost guns.

Proposed H.B. No. 5726 REP. LAVIELLE, 143rd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEFINITION OF "NEGLECTED" IN JUVENILE MATTERS', to ensure, within limits, that parents are permitted to give their children age-appropriate freedoms to participate in certain activities.

Proposed H.B. No. 5727 REP. PETIT, 22nd DIST. 'AN ACT PROHIBITING CERTAIN OFFENDERS FROM EARNING RISK REDUCTION CREDITS', to protect the public by prohibiting persons convicted of serious felonies from participating in the earned risk reduction credit program.

Proposed H.B. No. 5728 REP. PETIT, 22nd DIST. 'AN ACT PROHIBITING THE AWARDING OF GOOD TIME CREDITS', to prohibit persons who were sentenced prior to the abolishment of good time credits in 1993 from continuing to collect such credits.

Proposed H.B. No. 5729 REP. SCANLON, 98th DIST.; SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; REP. LEMAR, 96th DIST.; REP. WINKLER, 56th DIST.; REP. BORER, 115th DIST.; REP. ROSE, 118th DIST.; REP. DILLON, 92nd DIST.; SEN. WINFIELD, 10th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING ACCESS TO TREATMENT FOR OPIOID USE DISORDER IN CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES', to establish a medication-assisted treatment program in correctional facilities for inmates with substance use disorder.
Proposed H.B. No. 5730 REP. PAVALOCK-D'AMATO, 77th DIST. 'AN ACT ELIMINATING JUDICIAL DISCRETION IN EXTENDING A STAY OF EXECUTION OF JUDGMENT IN A SUMMARY PROCESS MATTER', to eliminate the ability of the court to extend a stay of execution of judgment involving an eviction in a summary process matter.

Proposed H.B. No. 5731 REP. PAVALOCK-D'AMATO, 77th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING THAT A TENANT MAKE USE AND OCCUPANCY RENT PAYMENTS TO A LANDLORD WHEN THE COURT HAS PERMITTED A STAY OF EXECUTION OF JUDGMENT IN A SUMMARY PROCESS ACTION', to require that a tenant make use and occupancy rent payments to a landlord during the pendency of any stay of execution of judgment in a summary process action.

Proposed H.B. No. 5732 REP. PAVALOCK-D'AMATO, 77th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEFENSE OF A PERSON'S DWELLING', to fully adopt the "castle doctrine" by establishing a rebuttable presumption that when a homeowner believes it necessary to use deadly force to repel an intruder then that belief is a reasonable belief.

Proposed H.B. No. 5733 REP. PAVALOCK-D'AMATO, 77th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING THE PAYMENT OF DISPUTED RENT PAYMENTS TO A COURT REGISTRY', to require that disputed rent payments in a landlord-tenant action be deposited with a court registry and to permit the court to disburse such payments, in whole or in part, to the landlord when the landlord demonstrates to the court that a hardship has been created as a result of the loss of rental income.

Proposed H.B. No. 5734 REP. PAVALOCK-D'AMATO, 77th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING COMPENSATION PAID TO JUDICIALY ASSIGNED FACT-FINDERS', to increase certain fees paid to judicially assigned fact-finders.

LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed H.B. No. 5735 REP. KOKORUDA, 101st DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TAX CREDIT FOR BUSINESSES THAT PROVIDE PAID FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE', to provide a tax credit for businesses that provide paid family and medical leave.

Proposed H.B. No. 5736 REP. KOKORUDA, 101st DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE SAVINGS ACCOUNT', to ensure families have coverage for qualifying family and medical leave events.

Proposed H.B. No. 5737 REP. CARPINO, 32nd DIST. 'AN ACT PROMOTING VOLUNTEERISM', to promote volunteerism in the state of Connecticut.

Proposed H.B. No. 5738 REP. PAVALOCK-D'AMATO, 77th DIST. 'AN ACT PROHIBITING EMPLOYERS FROM REQUIRING EMPLOYEES TO HAVE FLU SHOTS', to prohibit employers from requiring employees to have flu shots.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Proposed H.B. No. 5739 REP. PETIT, 22nd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES', to maintain the amount of payment in lieu of taxes provided to municipalities and establish an equitable formula by which to calculate reimbursement to municipalities.

Proposed H.B. No. 5740 REP. CHEESEMAN, 37th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING MUNICIPAL REGULATION OF HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES', to permit municipalities to regulate handicapped parking spaces to ensure the availability of ample handicapped parking.
Proposed H.B. No. 5741 REP. CUMMINGS, 74th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING UNREGISTERED MOTOR VEHICLES', to permit municipalities to levy fines and impose liens against the owners of motor vehicles not registered in this state that are subject to property tax in this state.

Proposed H.B. No. 5742 REP. MASTROFRANCESCO, 80th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE STORAGE OF EVICTED TENANTS' POSSESSIONS', to eliminate the requirement that municipalities store the possessions of evicted tenants.

Proposed H.B. No. 5743 REP. DIMASSA, 116th DIST. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING MUNICIPAL USER FEES ON COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES', to authorize municipalities to impose annual user fees on public and independent institutions of higher education located in such municipalities.

Proposed H.B. No. 5744 REP. PAVALOCK-D'AMATO, 77th DIST. 'AN ACT LIMITING THE DISTANCE BETWEEN CERTAIN GROUP HOMES AND HOMES WITH CHILDREN', to ensure the safety and security of families and the residents of group homes.

Proposed H.B. No. 5745 REP. ARCONTI, 109th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE CREATION OF ENTERPRISE FUNDS FOR MUNICIPAL BROADBAND SERVICES', to allow municipalities to create enterprise funds for municipal broadband services.

PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed H.B. No. 5746 REP. LAVIELLE, 143rd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF BOARD CERTIFICATION OF A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER AS A CONDITION FOR LICENSURE, STAFF PRIVILEGES AND CREDENTIALING', to prohibit the use of board certification and maintenance of board certification as a prerequisite for licensure, hospital privileges and insurance credentialing of a health care provider.

Proposed H.B. No. 5747 REP. PETIT, 22nd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING TELEHEALTH AND THE VETERINARIAN-CLIENT-PATIENT RELATIONSHIP', to establish standards for a veterinarian-client-patient relationship in the context of the provision of telehealth services by a veterinarian.

Proposed H.B. No. 5748 REP. PETIT, 22nd DIST. 'AN ACT ALLOWING MEDICAL ASSISTANTS TO ADMINISTER A VACCINE', to allow certified medical assistants to administer a vaccine on a person eighteen years of age or older.

Proposed H.B. No. 5749 REP. PETIT, 22nd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING LIABILITY FOR THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL OR PROFESSIONAL USE OF AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS', to protect physicians and other health care providers who use automatic external defibrillator in the ordinary course of their employment or practice from civil liability when the automatic external defibrillator malfunctions.

Proposed H.B. No. 5750 REP. CARPINO, 32nd DIST. 'AN ACT PROHIBITING THE ADVERTISING AND MARKETING OF FLAVORED VAPOR PRODUCTS TO MINORS', to prohibit the advertising and marketing of flavored vapor products to minors.

Proposed H.B. No. 5751 REP. CARPINO, 32nd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PENALTIES FOR THE SALE OR PROVISION OF ELECTRONIC NICOTINE DELIVERY SYSTEMS AND VAPOR PRODUCTS TO MINORS AND FOR THE USE OR POSSESSION OF SUCH PRODUCTS BY MINORS', to align the penalties for the sale or provision of electronic nicotine delivery systems and vapor products to a minor and the use or
possession of such products by a minor with the penalties for the sale or provision of alcohol to a person under the age of twenty-one or the consumption or possession of alcohol by a person under the age of twenty-one.

Proposed H.B. No. 5752 REP. KLARIDES, 114th DIST.; REP. CANDELORA, 86th DIST.; REP. O’DEA, 125th DIST.; REP. O’NEILL, 69th DIST.; REP. KOKORUDA, 101st DIST.; REP. ZUPKUS, 89th DIST. ‘AN ACT CONCERNING THE SALE OF TOBACCO, ELECTRONIC NICOTINE DELIVERY SYSTEMS AND VAPOR PRODUCTS TO UNDERAGE PERSONS’, to increase fines and penalties for the illegal sale of tobacco, electronic nicotine delivery systems and vapor products to underage persons, and to use such revenue for anti-tobacco and anti-vaping programs, and the creation of a grant program to make vapor detectors available to schools.

Proposed H.B. No. 5753 REP. LAVIELLE, 143rd DIST. ‘AN ACT REQUIRING THE LABELING OF CERTAIN ELECTRONIC NICOTINE DELIVERY SYSTEMS AND VAPOR PRODUCTS’, to require the labeling of certain electronic nicotine delivery systems and vapor products.

Proposed H.B. No. 5754 REP. CAMILLO, 151st DIST.; REP. GILCHREST, 18th DIST. ‘AN ACT REQUIRING LICENSURE OF ESTHETICIANS, EYELASH TECHNICIANS AND NAIL TECHNICIANS’, to require the licensure of estheticians, eyelash technicians and nail technicians and that any business offering esthetic or nail services be under the management of a licensed esthetician or nail technician.

Proposed H.B. No. 5755 REP. GILCHREST, 18th DIST. ‘AN ACT PROVIDING TITLE PROTECTION TO INDIVIDUALS WITH A DEGREE IN SOCIAL WORK’, to provide title protection to individuals with a degree in social work.

Proposed H.B. No. 5756 REP. GRESKO, 121st DIST. ‘AN ACT PERMITTING TELEHEALTH PROVIDERS IN NURSING FACILITIES TO PRESCRIBE CERTAIN CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES’, to allow telehealth providers in nursing facilities to prescribe controlled substances for pain control and comfort-oriented care.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Proposed H.B. No. 5757 REP. PETIT, 22nd DIST. ‘AN ACT EXPEDITING INVESTIGATIONS OF OFFICER-INVOLVED SHOOTINGS THAT RESULT IN DEATH’, to expedite the investigation timeline when a prosecutorial official investigates a peace officer’s use of physical force against a person that results in the person's death.

Proposed H.B. No. 5758 REP. CARPINO, 32nd DIST. ‘AN ACT EXEMPTING VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AND VOLUNTEER EMERGENCY SERVICES PERSONNEL FROM FEES FOR A CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECK’, to exempt volunteer firefighters and volunteer emergency services personnel from fees for a criminal history records check.

Proposed H.B. No. 5759 REP. PAVALOCK-D’AMATO, 77th DIST. ‘AN ACT CONCERNING FIREARM STORAGE’, to require safe storage of firearms in homes with a household member who has a psychiatric condition.

TRANSPORTATION

Proposed H.B. No. 5760 REP. KOKORUDA, 101st DIST. ‘AN ACT PRIVATIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES’, to privatize the Department of Motor Vehicles.
Proposed H.B. No. 5761 REP. PETIT, 22nd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATING A MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE REGARDING THE OPERATION OF DIRT BIKES AND MINI-MOTORCYCLES', to increase the penalties for violating a municipal ordinance regarding the operation of dirt bikes and mini-motorcycles.

Proposed H.B. No. 5762 REP. Klarides, 114th DIST.; REP. CANDELORA, 86th DIST.; REP. O'DEA, 125th DIST.; REP. O'NEILL, 69th DIST.; REP. KOKORUDA, 101st DIST.; REP. ZUPKUS, 89th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF CONTRACTORS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES', to promote efficiencies by privatizing services currently provided by the Department of Motor Vehicles.

Proposed H.B. No. 5763 REP. GILCHREST, 18th DIST.; REP. SLAP, 19th DIST.; REP. VERRENGIA, 20th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A TRAIN STATION IN WEST HARTFORD', to open a train station on the Hartford Line on New Park Avenue, an area that is designated as an opportunity zone, in West Hartford.

**VETERANS' AFFAIRS**

Proposed H.B. No. 5764 REP. PAVALOCK-D'AMATO, 77th DIST. 'AN ACT CREATING A COLD WAR MEDAL OF HONOR', to establish a Cold War Medal of Honor for certain members of the armed forces.

**GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS**

Proposed H.J. No. 26 REP. PAVALOCK-D'AMATO, 77th DIST. 'RESOLUTION PROPOSING A STATE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT CONCERNING TERM LIMITS', to place term limits on members of the General Assembly.

Proposed H.J. No. 27 REP. FERRARO, 117th DIST. 'RESOLUTION PROPOSING A STATE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO DISQUALIFY FELONY CONVICTS FROM HOLDING STATE-WIDE ELECTIVE OFFICE', to provide that felony convicts shall be ineligible to hold any state office voted upon by all electors of the state.

Proposed H.J. No. 28 REP. MICHEL, 146th DIST. 'RESOLUTION AMENDING THE JOINT RULES TO ENABLE THE ELDERLY AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES TO PARTICIPATE IN PUBLIC HEARINGS REMOTELY', to facilitate the participation of the elderly and persons with disabilities at public hearings.

**JUDICIARY**

Proposed H.J. No. 29 REP. PETIT, 22nd DIST.; REP. REBIMBAS, 70th DIST. 'RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE STATE CONSTITUTION CONCERNING CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS', to provide for an opportunity for a remedy when a crime victim's rights are violated.

**EDUCATION**

Proposed S.B. No. 147 SEN. SOMERS, 18th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR OUT-OF-STATE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS', to encourage the relocation and employment of out-of-state school administrators in Connecticut public schools.

Proposed S.B. No. 148 SEN. FORMICA, 20th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION FOR EDUCATORS FROM OTHER NEW ENGLAND STATES', to ease the burden of obtaining professional certification in Connecticut for educators who have been certified in other states in New England.
FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING

Proposed S.B. No. 149 SEN. HASKELL, 26th DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TAX CREDIT FOR BUSINESSES THAT PROVIDE STUDENT LOAN REPAYMENT ASSISTANCE TO EMPLOYEES', to reduce student loan debt by establishing a tax credit for businesses that provide student loan repayment assistance to their employees.

Proposed S.B. No. 150 SEN. HASKELL, 26th DIST. 'AN ACT PHASING OUT THE ESTATE TAX', to phase out the estate tax.

Proposed S.B. No. 151 SEN. LESSER, 9th DIST.; SEN. ABRAMS, 13th DIST.; REP. PHIPPS, 100th DIST.; REP. SERRA, 33rd DIST. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR THE MAJOR GENERAL MAURICE ROSE ARMED FORCES RESERVE CENTER IN MIDDLETOWN', to provide funding for the Major General Maurice Rose Armed Forces Reserve Center in Middletown.

Proposed S.B. No. 152 SEN. SOMERS, 18th DIST. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE SIDEWALK ALONG ROUTE 1 IN STONINGTON', to provide funding for improvements to the sidewalk along Route 1 in Stonington.

Proposed S.B. No. 153 SEN. SOMERS, 18th DIST. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR A GRANT TO PROJECT OCEANOLOGY IN GROTON', to provide funding for Project Oceanology in Groton.

Proposed S.B. No. 154 SEN. SOMERS, 18th DIST. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE GRISWOLD SENIOR CENTER IN GRISWOLD', to provide funding for improvements to the Griswold Senior Center in Griswold.

GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Proposed S.B. No. 155 SEN. HASKELL, 26th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING ELECTORAL PRIVILEGES OF PAROLEES AND CERTAIN INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS', to provide for restoration of electoral privileges to parolees and individuals incarcerated as a result of felony convictions, and for retention of such privileges by individuals who may be so incarcerated in the future.

Proposed S.B. No. 156 SEN. HASKELL, 26th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE SECRETARY OF THE STATE AND ABSENTEE VOTING', to allow any elector to electronically request an absentee ballot through the Secretary of the State Internet web site.

Proposed S.B. No. 157 SEN. WITKOS, 8th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION EMPLOYEE STATE FLEET VEHICLE USE', to grant flexibility to nonprofit organizations with state contracts.

JUDICIARY

Proposed S.B. No. 158 SEN. HASKELL, 26th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING GHOST GUNS', to ban guns without serial numbers and regulate those which are sold in a form requiring the purchaser to finish assembly or that are homemade.

LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES
Proposed S.B. No. 159 SEN. HASKELL, 26th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PAID FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE', to require businesses with two or more employees to provide twelve weeks of paid family and medical leave per year.

PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed S.B. No. 160 SEN. SOMERS, 18th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING AUTHORIZATION OF BONDS OF THE STATE TO THE TOWN OF GROTON FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH CENTER AT MARY MORRISON SCHOOL', to provide financial assistance to Groton to establish a school-based health center at Mary Morrison School.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Proposed S.B. No. 161 SEN. HASKELL, 26th DIST. 'AN ACT LIMITING MULTIPLE HANDGUN PURCHASES IN A THIRTY-DAY PERIOD', to prohibit anyone from purchasing more than one handgun within any thirty-day period.

Proposed S.B. No. 162 SEN. HASKELL, 26th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE PRESENTATION OF A CARRY PERMIT', to require an individual carrying a pistol or revolver to present the applicable permit upon request of a law enforcement officer.

TRANSPORTATION

Proposed S.B. No. 163 SEN. HASKELL, 26th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING WIRELESS INTERNET AVAILABILITY ON THE NEW HAVEN LINE OF THE METRO-NORTH COMMUTER RAILROAD', to provide high-quality and complimentary wireless Internet access to the riders of the New Haven line of the Metro-North Commuter Railroad.

LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed S.B. No. 164 SEN. OSTEN, 19th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST. 'AN ACT INCLUDING CERTAIN MENTAL OR EMOTIONAL IMPAIRMENTS WITHIN THE DEFINITION OF "PERSONAL INJURY" UNDER THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION STATUTES', to expand workers' compensation coverage in certain situations that result in mental or emotional impairment.

APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed S.B. No. 165 SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE APPROPRIATION OF MEDICAID FUNDS', to require that Medicaid funds be "gross appropriated" and included as general budget expenditures for the purpose of determining the constitutional spending cap.

FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING

Proposed S.B. No. 166 SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A CREDIT AGAINST THE PERSONAL INCOME TAX FOR THE PURCHASE OF GUN SAFES', to establish a nonrefundable personal income tax credit of up to one hundred fifty dollars for the purchase of gun safes for personal use.

Proposed S.B. No. 167 SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO IDENTIFY STATE TAXES THAT COST MORE TO ADMINISTER THAN IS GAINED IN REVENUE', to establish a task force to identify state taxes that cost
more for the state to collect in administrative costs than the state gains in revenue received from the imposition of such taxes.

**JUDICIARY**

**Proposed S.B. No. 168** SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT PROVIDING A HARDSHIP EXEMPTION FROM JUROR SERVICE TO THE SOLE PROPRIETOR OF A SMALL BUSINESS', to provide a hardship exemption from juror service to the sole proprietor of a small business.

**Proposed S.B. No. 169** SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEFENSE OF A PERSON'S HOME, MOTOR VEHICLE OR BUSINESS', to establish a rebuttable presumption in a self-defense claim that, when a person believes it necessary to use deadly force to repel an intruder, such belief is a reasonable belief.

**Proposed S.B. No. 170** SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT ELIMINATING THE EARNED RISK REDUCTION CREDIT PROGRAM', to eliminate the earned risk reduction credit program.

**LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES**

**Proposed S.B. No. 171** SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST. 'AN ACT EXPANDING THE DEFINITION OF INJURY IN THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION ACT', to expand the definition of injury in the Workers' Compensation Act to include certain mental or emotional impairments.

**PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY**

**Proposed S.B. No. 172** SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR A TEMPORARY STATE PERMIT TO CARRY A PISTOL OR REVOLVER', to specify uniform criteria for an application for a temporary state permit to carry a pistol or revolver.

**Proposed S.B. No. 173** SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT LIMITING ORDERS RELATED TO FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION DURING A CIVIL PREPAREDNESS EMERGENCY', to prohibit the Governor or any municipality from restricting lawful possession of a firearm or ammunition during a civil preparedness emergency.

**TRANSPORTATION**

**Proposed S.B. No. 174** SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT NAMING ROUTE 322 IN WOLCOTT IN HONOR OF EUGENE A. MIGLIARO, JR', to name Route 322 in Wolcott in honor of Eugene A. Migliaro, Jr., to recognize his service as a member of the United States Marine Corps, a member of the Connecticut House of Representatives, the mayor of Wolcott and the Commissioner of Veterans Affairs.

**GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS**

**Proposed S.J. No. 9** SEN. HASKELL, 26th DIST. 'RESOLUTION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO PERMIT EARLY VOTING', to allow electors to vote at an election prior to the day of such election.

**FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING**
Proposed S.J. No. 10 SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'RESOLUTION PROPOSING A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROHIBITING THE IMPOSITION OF RETROACTIVE TAXES', to prohibit the imposition of retroactive taxes.

GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Proposed S.J. No. 11 SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'RESOLUTION AMENDING THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN LOBBYING IN THE HOUSE AND SENATE CHAMBERS', to subject agency liaisons to the same rules as lobbyists regarding their presence on the House and Senate floor.

DEPUTY SPEAKER ORANGE IN THE CHAIR

EMERGENCY CERTIFICATION

HOUSE BILL PASSED

The following bill was received, read by the Clerk and passed. (Emergency certification signed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives accompanied the bill.) A copy of the bill was on the desk of each member in accordance with the rules.

H.B. No. 5765 REP. ARESIMOWICZ, 30TH DIST.; REP. RITTER, 1ST DIST.; REP. KLARIDES, 114TH DIST.; SEN. LOONEY, 11TH DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25TH DIST.; SEN. FASANO, 34TH DIST. AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE FEDERAL SHUTDOWN AFFECTED EMPLOYEES LOAN PROGRAM AND PROVIDING ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE TO FEDERAL EMPLOYEES.

The bill was explained by Representative Santiago of the 130th.

The bill was discussed by Representatives Delnicki of the 14th, Ackert of the 8th, Conley of the 40th, Lavielle of the 143rd, Rojas of the 9th, Porter of the 94th, Cummings of the 74th and Wilson of the 66th.

The bill was further discussed by Representative Fishbein of the 90th who offered House Amendment Schedule "A" (LCO 3315) moved its adoption and further moved that when the vote be taken it be taken by roll call.

The amendment was discussed by Representatives Santiago of the 130th, Dubitsky of the 47th, France of the 42nd and Ritter of the 1st.

The Speaker ordered the vote be taken by roll call at 2:06 p.m.

The following is the result of the vote:

Total Number Voting ................................................................. 142
Necessary for Adoption ......................................................... 72
    Those voting Yea ......................................................... 54
    Those voting Nay ......................................................... 88
    Those absent and not voting ........................................ 7

On a roll call vote the amendment was rejected.

The following is the roll call vote:

  N  ABERCROMBIE  N  MCCARTHY VAHEY  VACANT  Y  LAVIELLE
  N  ALLIE-BRENNAN  N  MCGEE  VACANT  Y  MACLAUCHLAN

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The following is House Amendment Schedule "A" (LCO 3315):

Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following in lieu thereof:

"Section 1. (Effective from passage) As used in this section and sections 2 to 7, inclusive, of this act:

(1) "Affected employee" means a federal employee who, during the shutdown, is (A) a resident of this state, and (B) required to work as a federal employee without pay or furloughed as a federal employee without pay;

(2) "Bank" means a bank or an out-of-state bank, each as defined in section 36a-2 of the general statutes;

(3) "Credit union" means a Connecticut credit union or a federal credit union, each as defined in section 36a-2 of the general statutes;

(4) "Department" means the Department of Banking;

(5) "Eligible financial institution" means a bank or credit union that has a physical presence in this state and is in good standing;

(6) "Good standing", with respect to a bank or credit union, means that the bank or credit union is not subject to (A) a formal agreement with the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, (B) a consent order or cease and desist order issued by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, (C) a consent order or cease and desist order with the department, (D) a letter of understanding and agreement or consent order issued by the National Credit Union Administration, or (E) a finding
by the department that the bank or credit union has failed to comply with a provision of sections 2 to 5, inclusive, of this act:

(7) "Grace period" means the sixty-day period after an affected employee's federal agency is funded; and

(8) "Shutdown" means the federal fiscal year 2019 partial government shutdown that began on December 22, 2018.

Sec. 2. (Effective from passage) Any bank or credit union may apply to the department to participate in the federal shutdown affected employee loan program. Not later than one business day after receiving the application, the department shall determine whether the financial institution is an eligible financial institution and immediately notify the bank or credit union of such determination. Any eligible financial institution may make loans to affected employees in accordance with sections 1 to 5, inclusive, of this act.

Sec. 3. (Effective from passage) An eligible financial institution may make a loan to an affected employee, provided:

(1) The affected employee has provided to the financial institution (A) proof of the employee's status, income and residence in this state, and (B) the amount of unemployment compensation benefits under chapter 567 of the general statutes the employee has received and has been deemed eligible to receive during the shutdown. Such proof may include a paystub or bank statement, a federal employee identification card, the federal tax identification number of the employee's employer and a sworn affidavit from such employee indicating that such employee (i) is currently a federal employee residing in this state, (ii) may be eligible to receive back-pay when the shutdown ends, and (iii) is not receiving a loan from any other financial institution pursuant to this section.

(2) The loan is made in accordance with the eligible financial institution's underwriting policy and standards, provided further that the affected employee's creditworthiness shall not be a factor used for the purposes of determining eligibility.

(3) The loan agreement shall not (A) require repayment during the grace period, or (B) charge interest on the principal amount before the grace period ends, provided, after such grace period ends, the eligible financial institution may charge interest or fees in accordance with the financial institution's lending policy and the terms of the underlying loan agreement.

(4) The loan agreement shall require that the affected employee repay the loan in full before the grace period ends. The loan agreement shall not contain a fee or penalty for the prepayment or early payment of the loan. Any loan that is in default or not paid in full before the grace period ends shall be subject to the terms of the underlying loan agreement.

Sec. 4. (Effective from passage) An affected employee who has received a loan pursuant to section 2 or 3 of this act may apply to the same eligible financial institution or any other eligible financial institution for an additional loan for each thirty-day period such employee remains an affected employee, provided no affected employee may receive more than three loans under the program, and each such employee shall be required to update the institution as to the amount of unemployment compensation benefits under chapter 567 of the general statutes the employee has received and has been deemed eligible to receive during the shutdown. Each additional loan shall be made in accordance with section 3 of this act.

Sec. 5. (Effective from passage) (a) Any interest deferred or not charged related to a loan issued pursuant to this section and sections 1 to 4, inclusive, of this act shall be exempt from all state taxes that may be applicable to such interest amounts as they relate to an affected employee. Eligible financial institutions shall disclose to affected employee borrowers in the signed affidavit or loan documents that there may be federal tax consequences to the program loans.

(b) No new loan applications shall be submitted under the program after the shutdown ends.

Sec. 6. (Effective from passage) Upon the passage of federal legislation or the issuance of federal guidance from the United States Department of Labor or another federal agency which allows an affected employee to receive benefits under chapter 567 of the general statutes, such affected employee may be eligible for unemployment benefits pursuant to said chapter and such federal legislation or guidance during the period of the shutdown. If the shutdown ends and an affected employee is paid by the federal government for any period of time the affected employee worked without pay during the shutdown, the affected employee shall, not later than sixty days after receiving such payment, reimburse the Unemployment Compensation Benefit Fund in an
amount equal to the unemployment benefits the affected employee received for the period of the shutdown.

Sec. 7. (Effective from passage) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of the general statutes or of any special act, charter, special act charter, home-rule ordinance, local ordinance or other local law, any municipality, as defined in section 7-148 of the general statutes, or any subdivision of a municipality, may, by a vote of its legislative body, or, in any town in which the legislative body is a town meeting, by a vote of the board of selectmen, establish a deferment program to defer the due date of taxes on real property, personal property or motor vehicles, or water or sewer rates, charges or assessments, owed by affected employees.

(b) Upon establishment of a deferment program, a municipality or subdivision thereof shall not charge or collect interest on any tax, rate, charge or assessment or part thereof that is payable by an affected employee and which became due during the period when such individual was an affected employee.

(c) Eligibility shall be determined by the municipality. Evidence of eligibility for a deferment may include the proof listed in subdivision (1) of section 3 of this act. Individuals need not receive unemployment benefits or participate in the federal shutdown affected employee loan program for purposes of being an affected employee. Municipalities may require individuals to recertify eligibility on a periodic basis of not less than thirty days.

(d) Each tax, rate, charge or assessment deferred under a program established pursuant to this section shall be due and payable without interest or penalty not later than sixty days after the date on which an individual is no longer an affected employee. Thereafter, any portion of the tax, rate, charge or assessment or installment or portion thereof which remains unpaid and all interest and penalties otherwise provided by law shall apply retroactively to the original due date for the tax, rate, charge or assessment or installment or portion thereof. All provisions of the general statutes relating to continuing, recording and releasing property tax liens and the precedence and enforcement of taxes, rates, charges and assessments shall remain applicable to any deferred tax, rate, charge or assessment or installment or portion thereof.

(e) Nothing in this section shall affect interest or penalties on, or lien rights or collection of, any tax, rate, charge or assessment due before December 22, 2018, or after the date on which an individual is no longer an affected employee."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

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The bill was further discussed by Representatives Klarides of the 114th and Ritter of the 1st.

The Speaker ordered the vote be taken by roll call at 2:18 p.m.

The following is the result of the vote:

Total Number Voting ................................................................. 142
Necessary for Passage ............................................................... 72
Those voting Yea ...................................................................... 127
Those voting Nay ..................................................................... 15
Those absent and not voting ....................................................... 7

On a roll call vote Emergency Certified House Bill No. 5765 was passed.

The following is the roll call vote:
On motion of Representative Currey of the 11th District, Emergency Certified House Bill No. 5765 was immediately transmitted to the Senate.

REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT

The following Representatives were absent today or may have missed some votes due to the following:

Representative Aresimowicz of the 30th District - personal business
Representative Frey of the 111th District - out of state - legislative business
Representative Hennessy of the 127th District - illness
Representative Michel of the 146th District - illness
Representative Steinberg of the 136th District - personal business
Representative Wood of the 29th District - personal business

ADJOURNMENT
On motion of Representative Currey of the 11th District, the House adjourned at 2:21 o’clock p.m., to meet again at the Call of the Chair.

CHANGES OF REFERENCE

HOUSE BILLS

The following reports on the House Bills, recommending a change of reference were received from the committees indicated, the reports of the committees accepted, and the bills referred as recommended:

PUBLIC HEALTH. Proposed H.B. No. 5139 AN ACT CONCERNING TOBACCO BARS.
The bill was then referred to the Committee on General Law.

PUBLIC HEALTH. Proposed H.B. No. 5231 AN ACT REQUIRING CLARIFICATION OF THE DEFINITION OF "COTTAGE FOOD PRODUCTS".
The bill was then referred to the Committee on General Law.

PUBLIC HEALTH. Proposed H.B. No. 5237 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A HOME CANNING PERMIT.
The bill was then referred to the Committee on General Law.

PUBLIC HEALTH. Proposed H.B. No. 5358 AN ACT CONCERNING THE SEAMLESS TRANSITION OF CHILDREN AMONG BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROVIDERS.
The bill was then referred to the Committee on Children.

BUSINESS FROM THE SENATE

CHANGE OF REFERENCE
SENATE BILL

The following report recommending a change of reference was received from the committee indicated, the report of the committee accepted in concurrence, and the bill referred as recommended:

PUBLIC HEALTH. Proposed S.B. No. 48 AN ACT REQUIRING MANUFACTURERS OF BRAND NAME PRESCRIPTION DRUGS TO PROVIDE SAMPLES OF SUCH DRUGS TO MANUFACTURERS OF GENERIC PRESCRIPTION DRUGS.
The bill was then referred to the Committee on General Law.

BILL SIGNED IN THE ORIGINAL BY HIS EXCELLENCY, THE GOVERNOR

The following bill was signed, IN THE ORIGINAL, by His Excellency, the Governor, on the date indicated:

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H.B. No. 5765 AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE FEDERAL SHUTDOWN AFFECTED EMPLOYEES LOAN PROGRAM AND PROVIDING ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE TO FEDERAL EMPLOYEES.