Transportation Committee

MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, March 20, 2019
10:30 AM in Room 1E of the LOB

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 am by Chairman, Sen. Leone C. S27.

The following committee members were present:

Senators: Bergstein A. S36; Cassano S. S04; Haskell W. S26; Hwang T. S28; Kissel J. S07; Leone C. S27; Martin H. S31; Needleman N. S33; Osten C. S19; Slap D. S05

Representatives: Altobello E. 082; Carney D. 023; Concepcion J. 004; Conley C. 040; Devlin L. 134; Garibay J. 060; Haines I. 034; Hall J. 007; Kupchick B. 132; Labriola D. 131; Lavielle G. 143; Lemar R. 096; Lopes R. 024; MacLachlan J. 035; McCarthy Vahey C. 133; McGorty B. 122; Morin R. 028; O'Dea T. 125; Perone C. 137; Reyes G. 075; Rosario C. 128; Serra J. 033; Simms T. 140; Steinberg J. 136; Zawistowski T. 061; Ziogas C. 079

Absent were:

Senators: 

Representatives: 

Chairman, Sen. Leone C. S27 recessed the meeting for caucus.

Chairman, Sen. Leone C. S27 called the meeting was called back to order at 12:45pm and opened the meeting with thanking Committee, non-partisan, caucus and agency staff. Ranking members echoed the thanks to staff.
Chairman, Sen. Leone C. S27. Asked for bills to be placed on a consent calendar. Motion to place bills on a consent calendar was made by Sen. Bergstein, A. S36 and seconded by Rep. Devlin, L. 134.

Consent Calendar 1:

**H.B. No. 5559** (COMM) AN ACT CONCERNING COMMUNICATION BETWEEN PERSONS WITH AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER AND LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS. (TRA)

(JF)

**S.B. No. 424** (COMM) AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY REGARDING CAMERA VIDEO SYSTEMS INSIDE SCHOOL BUSES AND STUDENT TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES USED TO TRANSPORT STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS. (TRA)

(JF)

**S.B. No. 715** (COMM) AN ACT CONCERNING A PLAN TO MODERNIZE THE PARKING GARAGES AT COMMUTER RAIL STATIONS IN THE STATE. (TRA)

(JF)

**H.B. No. 6588** (COMM) AN ACT PROHIBITING THE ISSUANCE OF PARKING CITATIONS BY PRIVATE COMMERCIAL PROPERTY OWNERS. (TRA)

(JFS) LCO # 6202

**H.B. No. 6590** (COMM) AN ACT CONCERNING SPEED LIMITS IN MUNICIPALITIES. (TRA)

(JF)

**S.B. No. 867** (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING SLOWING DOWN FOR GARBAGE TRUCKS, RECYCLING TRUCKS AND OIL AND TANK VEHICLES. (TRA)

(JF)

**S.B. No. 868** (RAISED) AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR COMMERCIAL RAIL FREIGHT LINE IMPROVEMENTS. (TRA)

(JFCR-> FIN)
H.B. No. 7141 (RAISED) AN ACT REGULATING ELECTRIC FOOT SCOOTERS. (TRA)

(JFS) LCO #6320

S.B. No. 869 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE CONNECTICUT AIRPORT AUTHORITY REGARDING NONBUDGETED EXPENDITURES, THE CONNECTICUT AIRPORT AND AVIATION ACCOUNT AND THE SECURITY EXEMPTION UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT. (TRA)

(JFS) LCO #6367

S.B. No. 924 (RAISED) AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION NOTICE, THE INTERNATIONAL REGISTRATION PLAN, CARRIERS, THE MEDICAL ADVISORY BOARD AND OTHER MOTOR VEHICLE STATUTES. (TRA)

(JFS) LCO #6402

H.B. No. 7283 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. (TRA)

(JF)

S.B. No. 986 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONNECTICUT PORT AUTHORITY. (TRA)

(JF)

H.B. No. 7284 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING TECHNICAL CHANGES TO A MOTOR VEHICLE STATUTE. (TRA)

(JF)

S.B. No. 987 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING TECHNICAL CHANGES TO A TRANSPORTATION STATUTE. (TRA)

(JF)

H.B. No. 7201 AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONVENIENCE OF ACQUIRING MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSES AND REGISTRATIONS. (TRA)

(JF)
A motion was made to **JFS S.B. No. 66** (COMM) AN ACT CONCERNING THE NONEMERGENCY TRANSPORTATION OF ELDERLY PERSONS AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES CONFINED TO A STRETcher. (TRA) **LCO #6365.** The motion was made by Rep. Lemar, R. 96 and seconded by Sen. Osten, C. S19, after discussion the motion was passed 21-5.

A motion was made to **JF H.B. No. 6161** (COMM) AN ACT REQUIRING THE USE OF HELMETS BY MOTORCYCLE OPERATORS AND PASSENGERS UNDER TWENTY-ONE YEARS OF AGE. (TRA) The motion was made by Rep. Morin, R. 28 and seconded by Rep. Devlin, L. 134, after discussion the motion was passed 30-6.

A motion was made to **JF H.B. No. 6392** (COMM) AN ACT CONCERNING HIGHWAY WORK ZONE SAFETY ENFORCEMENT. (TRA) the motion was made by Rep. Morin, R. 28 and seconded by Sen. Osten, C. S19. After discussion the motion passed 36-0.

A motion was made to **JF S.B. No. 825** (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING DISTRACTED WALKING. (TRA) The motion was made by Rep. Lemar, R. 96 and seconded by Sen. Osten, C. S19. After discussion the motion passed 21-15.

A motion was made to **JFS H.B. No. 7140** (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION REGARDING SEAT BELTS, MOTORCYCLE HELMETS, THE OPERATION LIFESAVER PROGRAM, MAINTENANCE VEHICLES AND TRANSPORTATION STATUTES. (TRA) **LCO #6331** The motion was made by Rep. Lemar, R. 96 and seconded by Sen. Osten, C. S19. After discussion the motion passed 28-8.

A motion was made to **JF H.B. No. 7203** (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING PEDESTRIAN SAFETY AT CROSSWALKS. (TRA) The motion was made by Rep. Lemar, R. 96 and seconded by Sen. Osten, C. S19. After discussion the motion passed 27-9.

A motion was made to **JF H.B. No. 7205** (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE ACCESSIBILITY OF ELECTRIC VEHICLES IN CONNECTICUT. (TRA). The motion was made by Rep. Simms, T. 140 and seconded by Rep. Lemar, R. 96. After discussion the motion passed 33-3.

A motion was made to **JFS S.B. No. 925** (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING AN ADVANCED OPERATOR'S RETRAINING PROGRAM. (TRA) **LCO #6326.** The motion was made by Rep. Lemar, R. 96 and seconded by Sen. Osten, C. S19. After discussion the motion passed 29-7

A motion was made to **JF H.B. No. 7143** (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE LENGTH OF RUNWAY 2-20 AT TWEED-NEW HAVEN AIRPORT. (TRA) The motion was made by Rep. Lemar, R. 96 and seconded by Sen. Osten, C. S19. After discussion the motion passed 33-3.
A motion was made to **JF S.B. No. 423** (COMM) **AN ACT CONCERNING FUNDING FOR CONNECTICUT’S TRANSPORTATION FUTURE.** (TRA) The motion was made by Rep. Lemar, R. 96 and seconded by Sen. Osten, C. S19. After discussion the motion passed 23-13.


A Motion was made to **JF H.B. No. 7202** **AN ACT CONCERNING THE SUSTAINABILITY OF CONNECTICUT’S TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE.** (TRA) The motion was made by Rep. Rosario, C. 128 and seconded by Sen. Osten, C. S19. After discussion the motion passed 23-13.

A motion was made to **JF S.B. No. 407** (COMM) **AN ACT CONCERNING THE NEW BRITAIN TO HARTFORD BUSWAY.** (TRA) The motion was made by Rep. Devlin, L. 134 and seconded by Sen. Martin, H. S31. After discussion the motion failed 15-20 with 1 absent.

A motion was made to **JFCR to GL S.B. No. 419** (COMM) **AN ACT PROHIBITING GASOLINE ZONE PRICING.** (TRA) The motion was made by Rep. Devlin, L. 134 and seconded by Sen. Martin, H. S31. After discussion the motion passed 35-0 with 1 absent.

A motion was made to **JF S.B. No. 717** (COMM) **AN ACT CONCERNING TRANSPORTATION PROJECT PRIORITIZATION.** (TRA) The motion was made by Rep. O'Dea, T. 125 and seconded by Sen. Martin, H. S31. After discussion the motion failed 13-23.

A motion was made to **JF H.B. No. 5945** (COMM) **AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY REGARDING PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS.** (TRA) The motion was made by Rep. O'Dea, T. 125 and seconded by Rep. Devlin, L. 134. After discussion the motion Passed 31-2.

A motion was made to **JF H.B. No. 5762** (COMM) **AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF CONTRACTORS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES.** (TRA) The motion was made by Rep. Simms, T. 140 and seconded by Rep. O'Dea, T. 125. After discussion the motion failed 23-13.

A motion was duly made and seconded to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00pm.