

Commerce Committee

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, February 18, 2020

11:00 AM in Room 1E of the LOB

The meeting was called to order at 11:10 AM by Chairman, Rep. Simmons C. 144.

The following committee members were present:

Senators: Hartley J. S15; Cohen C. S12; Martin H. S31; Leone C. S27;  
Needleman N. S33; Slap D. S05

Representatives: Simmons C. 144; Cummings S. 074; Arora H. 151; Buckbee B.  
067; Felipe A. 130; Fusco J. 081; Garibay J. 060; Hampton J. 016;  
Lanoue B. 045; Reyes G. 075; Wood K. 029; Yaccarino D. 087

Absent were:

Senators: Somers H. S18

Representatives: Elliott J. 088; Rochelle K. 104

Representative Simmons convened the meeting at 11:10 AM, and called a motion to raise the following concepts:

1. AAC A STUDENT LOAN REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM
2. AAC REGIONAL TOURISM DISTRICT BOARDS OF DIRECTORS
3. AAC OPPORTUNITY ZONES
4. AAC ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES AND BUSINESS PERMITTING AND LICENSING
5. AAC THE MANUFACTURING, ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY TRAINING FOR THE FUTURE ACADEMY
6. AAC ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PRESERVATION FOR BUSINESSES IN THE STATE

7. AAC GREEN ENERGY PRODUCTION USING PRIVATE CAPITAL
8. AAC ENTERPRISE ZONES
9. AAC THE EXPANSION OF EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR THOSE WITH AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER OR PERSONS WITH INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
10. AAC NON-SOLICITATION AGREEMENTS IN THE HOME HEALTH SERVICES INDUSTRY
11. AA ESTABLISHING A REGULATORY SANDBOX PROGRAM
12. AA EXTENDING THE MANUFACTURING APPRENTICESHIP TAX CREDIT TO PASSTHROUGH ENTITIES
13. AAC MANUFACTURING
14. AAC BIOSCIENCE
15. AAC NON-COMPETE AGREEMENTS IN THE BLOCKCHAIN TECHNOLOGY INDUSTRY
16. AAC WORKFORCE TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT
17. AA PROMOTING DIVERSITY IN 21ST CENTURY COMPUTER SCIENCE JOBS
18. AA IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE WORKING GROUP ON A PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP TO RECRUIT BUSINESSES TO CONNECTICUT
19. AAC VARIOUS REVISIONS TO THE PROPERTY TRANSFER LAW
20. AAC ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ISSUES AFFECTING THE STATE
21. AAC CONNECTICUT INNOVATIONS, INCORPORATED

Motioned by Sen. Leone  
Seconded by Sen. Cohen  
Motion passed by Voice Vote

Rep. Simmons called a motion to draft the following bills:

1. Proposed S.B. 20 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TAX CREDIT FOR BUSINESSES THAT HIRE FORMERLY INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS

Motioned by Rep. Cummings  
Seconded by Sen. Hartley  
Motion passed by Voice Vote

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

The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 AM.

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Nigel Plummer  
Administrator

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Ginger Rodriguez  
Committee Clerk