



JOURNAL OF THE SENATE

Wednesday, January 6, 2021

On Wednesday after the first Monday of January A.D. 2021 the date by the Constitution of the State of Connecticut for the meeting of the General Assembly, the Senate convened in the Senate Chamber in Hartford at 10:04 a.m.

The Senate was called to order by Secretary of State, Dennis Merrill on the South Lawn of Capitol due to COVID-19 pandemic.

The prayer was offered by the Senate Chaplain, Rabbi Philip Lazowski of Bloomfield, Connecticut.

The following is the prayer:

Our thought for the day is: (Exodus 15:26) " I the Lord am your healer."

Friends, we have not seen each other since the onset of this terrible pandemic which has taken so many lives here in Connecticut, around the nation, and around the world.

According to the Hartford Courant, as of January 3rd, 2021 in the State of Connecticut we have lost 6,099 live to the virus. Everyone knows a family who has seen loss as a result of this terrible sickness.

As we begin a new season of the Connecticut Senate, let us pause for a moment of silence for the dead. And let us pray for the confront for all their mourners.

O Merciful God on High, bring us under the sheltering wings of your Divine Presence and the souls of those woman, men and youth who have perished in the terrible Corona Virus Pandemic.

To those who suffer with the illness, we ask for healing. Strengthen the hands of the caregivers, the doctors, the nurses, and health workers who extend themselves every day on behalf of the afflicted and to all our responders. Grant them strength, protection and success.

Guide and bless the newly elected Senators and returning Senators. Bless them all. Keep them in good health that they may work together to pass wise laws. Guide the Senate to address the urgent and important issues of caring for the most vulnerable and restoring livelihoods of workers and businesspeople who stand at the brink of disaster. Open the hearts and minds of this body to protect and restore the sick, the poor, and the needy.

Bless the President Por Tem and all the members of the senate to work together wisely and effectively to legislate for the good of the people. Bless the Governor Ned Lamont and the Lieutenant Governor Susan Bysiewicz to govern to restore prosperity and security for all the people of Connecticut.

May this time be remembered in the years to come as a moment when we came together to work to heal our society and serve the common good. Hear us as we pray and let us say, Amen.

PLEDGE

Dennis Merrill led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**COMMUNICATION FROM
THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE STATE**

The Secretary of the State, Denise W. Merrill, called the official roll call of the Senate and certifies the member as follows and administered the oath of office.

District	1	John W. Fonfara
District	2	Douglas McCrory
District	3	Saud Anwar
District	4	Steve Cassano
District	5	Derek Slap
District	6	Rick Lopes
District	7	John A. Kissel
District	8	Kevin Witkos
District	9	Matt Lesser
District	10	Gary Winfield
District	11	Martin Looney
District	12	Christine Cohen
District	13	Mary Abrams
District	14	James Maroney
District	15	Joan V. Hartley
District	16	Rob Sampson
District	17	Jorge Cabrera
District	18	Heather Somers
District	19	Cathy Osten
District	20	Paul Formica
District	21	Kevin Kelly
District	22	
District	23	Dennis Bradley
District	24	Julie Kushner
District	25	Bob Duff
District	26	Will Haskell
District	27	
District	28	Tony Hwang
District	29	Mae Flexer
District	30	Craig Miner
District	31	Henri Martin
District	32	Eric Bethel
District	33	
District	34	Paul Cicarella
District	35	Dan Champagne
District	36	Alexandra Kasser

Marilyn Moore of the 22nd district and Norm Needleman of the 33rd district was sworn in by Zoom meeting.

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR SUSAN BYSIEWICZ PRESIDING

ELECTION OF THE SENATE CLERK

The President of the Senate announced the first order of business was the election of a Senate Clerk.

Senator Looney of the 11th nominated Michael Jefferson of New Haven.

There being no further nominations, the vote was taken by acclamation. The President declared Michael Jefferson of New Haven, Connecticut elected as Clerk of the Senate and administered the oath of office.

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS EXCELLENCY
THE GOVERNOR**

The following communications were received from His Excellency, the Governor, read by the Clerk and ordered printed in the Journal.

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

I have the honor to inform you of the following Interim Appointments made by the Governor since the adjournment of the 2020 General Assembly:

Gregory Duncan Harris – of Windsor, as a member of the New England Board of Higher Education, effective August 31, 2020, in succession to Angel B. Perez, and serving until the sixth Wednesday of the next regular session of the General Assembly, or until a successor is appointed and qualified, whichever is longer.

Ari Santiago – of West Hartford, as a member of the Board of Regents for Higher Education, effective July 13, 2020, in succession to Peter Rosa, and serving until the sixth Wednesday of the next regular session of the General Assembly, or until a successor is appointed and qualified, whichever is longer.

Mayor Suzette Brown – of Bloomfield, as a member of the Board of Directors of the Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority, effective November 24, 2020, in succession to Robert L. Painter, and serving until the sixth Wednesday of the next regular session of the General Assembly, or until a successor is appointed and qualified, whichever is longer.

Bert Hunter – of Greenwich, as a member of the Board of Directors of the Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority, as a person with a high level of expertise in the field of energy, effective November 24, 2020, in succession to Patricia Widlitz, and serving until the sixth Wednesday of the next regular session of the General Assembly, or until a successor is appointed and qualified, whichever is longer.

Robert T. Simmeljkaer, Jr. – of Westport, as a member and Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Connecticut Lottery Board, effective May 14, 2020, in succession to Donald Defronzo, and serving until the sixth Wednesday of the next regular session of the General Assembly, or until a successor is appointed and qualified, whichever is longer.

Robert Bouvier – of West Hartford, as a member to the Judicial Review Council, effective December 11, 2020, as a person who is not a judge or attorney-at-law, in succession to Lawrence Goldman, and serving until the sixth Wednesday of the next regular session of the General Assembly, or until a successor is appointed and qualified, whichever is longer.

Mark Boughton – of Danbury, as Commissioner of Revenue Services, effective December 18, 2020, to serve until the sixth Wednesday of the next regular session of the General Assembly, or until a successor is appointed and qualified, whichever is longer.

Salvatore Agati – of Watertown, appointment as a member of the Judicial Review Council, as a Superior Court Judge in succession to the Honorable John F. Kavanewsky, Jr., effective December 1, 2020, and serving until the sixth Wednesday of the next regular session of the General Assembly, or until a successor is appointed and qualified, whichever is longer.

Dr. John Bonetti – of Farmington, appointment to the Psychiatric Security Review Board, as a psychiatrist experienced with the criminal justice system and not otherwise employed on a permanent basis by the state, in succession to Hassan M. Minhas, and serving until the sixth Wednesday of the next regular session of the General Assembly, or until a successor is appointed and qualified, whichever is longer.

Yolanda Castillo – of Manchester, as a member of the Board of Pardons and Paroles, to serve as part-time parole member, effective October 27, 2020, in succession to Joseph Elder, and serving until the sixth Wednesday of the next regular session of the General Assembly, or until a successor has been appointed and qualified, whichever is longer.

In addition, I have the honor to inform you of the following persons whom I nominated in 2020 and who have been serving until a successor is appointed and qualified because the 2020 Regular Session of the General Assembly ended without their confirmation:

Deidre Gifford – West Hartford as Commissioner of Social Services, effective June 21, 2019, to serve until the sixth Wednesday of the next regular session of the General Assembly, or until a successor has been appointed and qualified.

Bonnie Burr – of Brookfield, as a member of the State Board of Education, as a person with extensive experience in agriculture, in succession to Terry Jones, and serving until the sixth Wednesday of the next regular session of the General Assembly, or until a successor is appointed and qualified, whichever is longer.

Martha Paluch Prou – of Bloomfield, as a member of the State Board of Education, to be a person with experience in manufacturing, in succession to Joseph Vrabely, Jr., and serving until the sixth Wednesday of the next regular session of the General Assembly, or until a successor is appointed and qualified, whichever is longer.

Awilda Reasco – of New Britain, as a member of the State Board of Education, to be a member, in succession to Maria Mojica, and serving until the sixth Wednesday of the next regular session of the General Assembly, or until a successor is appointed and qualified, whichever is longer.

Karen Dubois Watson – of New Haven, as a member of the State Board of Education, to be a member, in succession to Stephen Wright, and serving until the sixth Wednesday of the next

regular session of the General Assembly, or until a successor is appointed and qualified, whichever is longer.

Erik M. Clemons – of New Haven, as a member of the State Board of Education with experience in a trade offered at the Technical High School System, in succession to William P. Davenport, and serving until the sixth Wednesday of the next regular session of the General Assembly, or until a successor is appointed and qualified, whichever is longer.

Elwood Exley, Jr. – of West Hartford, as a member of the State Board of Education, to be a member in succession to Erik M. Clemons, and serving until the sixth Wednesday of the next regular session of the General Assembly, or until a successor is appointed and qualified, whichever is longer.

Malia Sieve – of Waterford, reappoint as a member of the State Board of Education, to be a member serving until the sixth Wednesday of the next regular session of the General Assembly, or until a successor is appointed and qualified, whichever is longer.

Robert Namnoum – of Canton, to be a representative of the interests of exclusive bargaining representatives of certified employees for the Education Arbitration Board, and serving until the sixth Wednesday of the next regular session of the General Assembly, or until a successor is appointed and qualified, whichever is longer.

Andrea B. Dennis-LaVigne – of Simsbury, reappointment as a member of the Board of Trustees for the University of Connecticut, to serve until the sixth Wednesday of the next regular session of the General Assembly, or until a successor is appointed and has qualified, whichever is longer.

Kevin O'Connor – of Greenwich, reappointment as a member of the Board of Trustees for the University of Connecticut, to serve until the sixth Wednesday of the next regular session of the General Assembly, or until a successor is appointed and has qualified, whichever is longer.

The Honorable Anthony P. Fusco – of Brookfield, appointment as a member of the Judicial Review Council, as an Alternate Family Support Magistrate, effective December 1, 2019, in succession to the Honorable Norma I. Sanchez-Figueroa, and serving until the sixth Wednesday of the next regular session of the General Assembly, or until a successor is appointed and qualified, whichever is longer.

Sarah Healy Eagan – of West Hartford, reappoint to be the Child Advocate, and serving until the sixth Wednesday of the next regular session of the General Assembly, or until a successor is appointed and qualified, whichever is longer.

In addition, I have the honor to inform you of the following person who assumed duties as a department head in an acting capacity pursuant to Section 4-8 of the Connecticut General Statutes and whom I intend to nominate for confirmation:

Angel Quiros – of Windsor, as Commissioner of Corrections, to serve until the sixth Wednesday of the next regular session of the General Assembly, or until a successor is appointed and has qualified, whichever is longer.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS EXCELLENCY
THE GOVERNOR**

The following communications were received from His Excellency, the Governor, read by the Clerk and referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Executive and Legislative Nominations:

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

Pursuant to Section 12-1a(a) and Sections 4-5 to 4-8, inclusive, of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate and, with your advice and consent, appoint MARK BOUGHTON of Danbury, to be Commissioner of Revenue Services, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor, but no longer than March 1, 2023.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Sections 4-5 through 4-7 and 10-1 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate and, with your advice and consent, appoint BONNIE BURR of Brookfield to be a voting member of the State Board of Education, to serve a term ending February 29, 2024, or until a successor is appointed and has qualified, whichever is longer.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Section 4-1a and 54-124a, of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate and, with your advice and consent, appoint YOLANDA CASTILLO of Manchester, as a part-time parole member, in succession to Joseph Elder, to serve a term coterminous with my term or until a successor is appointed and has qualified, whichever is longer.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Sections 4-1 and 4-142a of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate and, with your advice and consent, reappoint CHRISTY L. SCOTT from Berlin, to be Claims Commissioner, to serve for a term ending June 30, 2025, and until a successor has been appointed and has qualified, whichever is longer.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Sections 4-5 through 4-7 and 10-1 of the Connecticut General Statutes, it is my honor and privilege to nominate and, with your advice and consent, appoint ERIK M. CLEMONS, of New Haven, to the State Board of Education, to be a person experienced in a trade offered at the Technical High School System, in succession to William P. Davenport, to serve a term ending February 29, 2024, or until a successor is appointed and qualified, whichever is longer.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Sections 4-1, 4-7, 4-9c and 10a-103 of the Connecticut General Statutes, it is my honor and privilege to nominate and, with your advice and consent, appoint ANDREA B. DENNIS-LAVIGNE, of Simsbury, as a member of the Board of Trustees for the University of Connecticut, to serve a term ending June 30, 2026, or until a successor is appointed and has qualified, whichever is longer.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Sections 4-5 through 4-7 and 10-1 of the Connecticut General Statutes, it is my honor and privilege to nominate and, with your advice and consent, appoint KAREN E. DUBOIS-WATSON, of New Haven, to the State Board of Education, to be a member, in succession to Stephen Wright, to serve a term ending February 29, 2024, or until a successor is appointed and qualified, whichever is longer.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Sections 4-1 and 46a-13k of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate and, with your advice and consent, reappoint SARAH HEALY EAGAN, of West Hartford, to be the Child Advocate, and serving until the sixth Wednesday of the next regular session of the General Assembly, or until a successor is appointed and qualified, whichever is longer.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Sections 4-5 through 4-7 and 10-1 of the Connecticut General Statutes, it is my honor and privilege to nominate and, with your advice and consent, appoint ELWOOD EXLEY, JR., of West Hartford, to the State Board of Education, to be a member in succession to Erik M. Clemons, to serve a term ending February 29, 2024, or until a successor is appointed and qualified, whichever is longer.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Sections 4-1 and 51-51k of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate and, with your advice and consent, appoint the HONORABLE ANTHONY P. FUSCO, of Brookfield, to the Judicial Review Council, as an Alternate Family Support Magistrate, in succession to the Honorable Norma I. Sanchez-Figueroa, to serve a term ending November 30, 2021, and to serve a full term ending November 30, 2024, or until a successor is appointed and qualified, whichever is longer.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Sections 4-1 and 10-153f of the Connecticut General Statutes, it is my honor and privilege to nominate and, with your advice and consent, appoint you ROBERT NAMNOUM, of Canton, to be a member of the Education Arbitration Board, to fill the remainder of the unexpired term of the late Clifford Silvers ending June 30, 2020, and to serve a full term ending June 30, 2024, or until a successor is appointed and has qualified.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Sections 4-1, 4-7, 4-9c and 10a-103 of the Connecticut General Statutes, it is my honor and privilege to nominate and, with your advice and consent, appoint KEVIN J. O'CONNOR, of Greenwich, as a member of the Board of Trustees for the University of Connecticut, to serve a term ending June 30, 2023, or until a successor is appointed and has qualified, whichever is longer.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Sections 4-5 through 4-7 and 10-1 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate and, with your advice and consent, appoint MARTHA PALUCH PROU of Bloomfield to be a voting member of the State Board of Education, to serve a term ending February 29, 2024, or until a successor is appointed and has qualified, whichever is longer.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Sections 4-5 through 4-7 and 10-1 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate and, with your advice and consent, appoint AWILDA REASCO of New Britain to be a voting member of the State Board of Education, to serve a term ending February 29, 2024, or until a successor is appointed and has qualified, whichever is longer.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS EXCELLENCY
THE GOVERNOR**

The following communications were received from His Excellency, the Governor, read by the Clerk and referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary:

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Article Twenty-Fifth of the Amendments to the Constitution of the State and Sections 51-44a(h) and 51-165 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate for reappointment by you the HONORABLE MICHAEL A. ALBIS of East Haven, to be a Judge of the Superior Court, to serve a term of eight years from March 6, 2021.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Article Twenty-Fifth of the Amendments to the Constitution of the State and Sections 51-44a(h) and 51-165 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate for reappointment by you the HONORABLE PETER L. BROWN of Hamden, to be a Judge of the Superior Court, to serve a term of eight years from January 26, 2021.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Article Twenty-Fifth of the Amendments to the Constitution of the State and Sections 51-44a(h) and 51-165 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate for reappointment by you the HONORABLE KAREN A. GOODROW of Chester, to be a Judge of the Superior Court, to serve a term of eight years from March 6, 2021.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Article Twenty-Fifth of the Amendments to the Constitution of the State and Sections 51-44a(h) and 51-165 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate for reappointment by you the HONORABLE SHEILA A. HUDDLESTON of West Hartford, to be a Judge of the Superior Court, to serve a term of eight years from March 6, 2021.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Article Twenty-Fifth of the Amendments to the Constitution of the State and Sections 51-44a(h) and 51-165 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate for reappointment by you the HONORABLE MICHAEL P. KAMP of Hamden, to be a Judge of the Superior Court, to serve a term of eight years from March 6, 2021.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Article Twenty-Fifth of the Amendments to the Constitution of the State and Sections 51-44a(h) and 51-165 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate for reappointment by you the HONORABLE JASON M. LOBO of Suffield, to be a Judge of the Superior Court, to serve a term of eight years from March 6, 2021.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Article Twenty-Fifth of the Amendments to the Constitution of the State and Sections 51-44a(h) and 51-165 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate for reappointment by you the HONORABLE SHELLEY A. MARCUS of Branford, to be a Judge of the Superior Court, to serve a term of eight years from March 6, 2021.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Article Twenty-Fifth of the Amendments to the Constitution of the State and Sections 51-44a(h) and 51-165 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate for reappointment by you the HONORABLE THOMAS G. MOUKAWSHER of Groton, to be a Judge of the Superior Court, to serve a term of eight years from March 6, 2021.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Article Twenty-Fifth of the Amendments to the Constitution of the State and Sections 51-44a(h) and 51-165 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate for reappointment by you the HONORABLE ANDREW W. RORABACK of Litchfield, to be a Judge of the Superior Court, to serve a term of eight years from March 6, 2021.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Article Twenty-Fifth of the Amendments to the Constitution of the State and Sections 51-44a(h) and 51-165 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate for reappointment by you the HONORABLE HOPE C. SEELEY of Coventry, to be a Judge of the Superior Court, to serve a term of eight years from March 6, 2021.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Article Twenty-Fifth of the Amendments to the Constitution of the State and Sections 51-44a(h) and 51-165 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate for reappointment by you the HONORABLE ROBYN STEWART JOHNSON of

Glastonbury, to be a Judge of the Superior Court, to serve a term of eight years from March 6, 2021.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Article Twenty-Fifth of the Amendments to the Constitution of the State and Sections 51-44a(h) and 51-165 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate for reappointment by you the HONORABLE ANTHONY D. TRUGLIA, JR., of Stamford, to be a Judge of the Superior Court, to serve a term of eight years from March 6, 2021.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Article Twenty-Fifth of the Amendments to the Constitution of the State and Sections 51-44a(h) and 51-165 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate for reappointment by you the HONORABLE GARY J. WHITE, of Stamford, to be a Judge of the Superior Court, to serve a term of eight years from January 28, 2021.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Article Twenty-Fifth of the Amendments to the Constitution of the State and Sections 51-44a(h) and 51-165 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate for reappointment by you the HONORABLE FRANK M. D'ADDABBO, JR., of Cromwell, to be a Senior Judge of the Superior Court, to serve a term of eight years from January 28, 2021.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Article Twenty-Fifth of the Amendments to the Constitution of the State and Sections 51-44a(h) and 51-165 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate for reappointment by you the HONORABLE MARCIA J. GLEESON, of Avon, to be a Senior Judge of the Superior Court, to serve a term of eight years from January 26, 2021.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Article Twenty-Fifth of the Amendments to the Constitution of the State and Sections 51-44a(h) and 51-165 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate for reappointment by you the HONORABLE CYNTHIA K. SWIENTON, of Chester, to be a Senior Judge of the Superior Court, to serve a term of eight years from July 5, 2021.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Sections 4-5 through 4-7 and 10-1 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate and, with your advice and consent, reappoint MALIA SIEVE of Waterford, to the State Board of Education, as a member, to serve a term ending February 28, 2024, or until a successor is appointed and has qualified, whichever is longer.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Section 52-434(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate, for reappointment by you, the HONORABLE MARSHALL K. BERGER, JR., of Canton, to be a State Referee, to serve for a term of eight years from February 8, 2021.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Section 52-434(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate, for reappointment by you, the HONORABLE JON C. BLUE, of Hamden, to be a State Referee, to serve for a term of eight years from April 19, 2021.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Section 52-434(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate, for reappointment by you, the HONORABLE HENRY S. COHN, of West Hartford, to be a State Referee, to serve for a term of eight years from July 24, 2021.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Section 52-434(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate, for reappointment by you, the HONORABLE JOHN F. CRONAN, of Branford, to be a State Referee, to serve for a term of eight years from January 26, 2021.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Section 52-434(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate, for reappointment by you, the HONORABLE CONSTANCE L. EPSTEIN, of Glastonbury, to be a State Referee, to serve for a term of eight years from January 26, 2021.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Section 52-434(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate, for reappointment by you, the HONORABLE JAMES G. KENEFICK, JR., of Guilford, to be a State Referee, to serve for a term of eight years from July 5, 2021.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Section 52-434(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate, for reappointment by you, the HONORABLE CHARLES T. LEE, of Stamford, to be a State Referee, to serve for a term of eight years from March 6, 2021.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Section 52-434(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate, for reappointment by you, the HONORABLE A. WILLIAM MOTTOLESE, of Stamford, to be a State Referee, to serve for a term of eight years from February 8, 2021.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Section 52-434(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate, for reappointment by you, the HONORABLE BARBARA M. QUINN, of Chester, to be a State Referee, to serve for a term of eight years from January 28, 2021.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Section 52-434(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate, for reappointment by you, the HONORABLE DALE W. RADCLIFFE, of Bridgeport, to be a State Referee, to serve for a term of eight years from January 28, 2021.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Section 52-434(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate, for reappointment by you, the HONORABLE ROBERT T. RESHA, of Danbury, to be a State Referee, to serve for a term of eight years from January 28, 2021.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Section 52-434(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate, for reappointment by you, the HONORABLE JOHN TURNER, of Hamden, to be a State Referee, to serve for a term of eight years from January 28, 2021.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

January 6, 2021

TO THE HONORABLE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

Pursuant to Article Twenty-Fifth of the Amendments to the Constitution of the State and Sections 51-44a(h), 51-165 and 51-198 of the Connecticut General Statutes, I have the honor and privilege to nominate for reappointment by you, the HONORABLE ANDREW J. MCDONALD, of Hartford, to be an Associate Judge of the Supreme Court and a Judge of the Superior Court, to serve for a term of eight years from January 23, 2021.

Sincerely,

Ned Lamont
Governor

**COMMUNICATION FROM
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL**

The following communication was received from the Attorney General, read and referred to the Joint Standing Committees on Judiciary and Appropriations.

January 6, 2021

Pursuant to 3-125a of the Connecticut General Statutes and rule 32(1) of the Joint Rules of the Connecticut General Assembly, I am submitting *Robert Barfield, et al v. Angel Quiros, in his official capacity as Commissioner, Connecticut Department of Correction*, for approval.

REPORTS

The following reports was received, read by the Clerk and referred to the Committee indicated:

Report - Office of the Health Care Advocate -- Annual Report for Calendar Year 2018 (Pursuant to Section 38a - 1050 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: March 13, 2020.

Referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Report – Access Health Connecticut - Connecticut Exchange Adverse Selection Study - Based on 2017 and 2018 Data. (Pursuant to 38a-1084 of the Connecticut general Statutes.) Date received: March 12, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Insurance and Real Estate and Public Health.

Report - Connecticut Housing Finance Authority - Summary Report, Year-end Revenue and Expense Information of the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority's activities for Calendar Year 2019. (Pursuant to Section 8-260 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: March 15, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Housing, Appropriations and Finance, Revenue and Bonding.

Report, Chief State's Attorney Richard J. Colangelo, - Preliminary Status Report of The Use of Force in Cromwell CT March 17, 2020. (Pursuant to Public Act 19-90 sec. 3) Date received: March 18, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, Office of Consumer Counsel and Connecticut Siting Council for Fiscal Years ended June 30, 2015, 2016 and 2017. (Pursuant to Section 11-4a of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: March 26, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Energy and Technology and Environment.

Report – Public Utility Regulatory Authority – 2019 Report on Electric Competition for Fiscal Year ended March 31, 2019. (Pursuant to Subsection 16-245x(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date Received: March 31, 2020.

Referred to the Committee on Energy and Technology.

Report – UCONN Board of Trustees - Faculty Hiring Plan for Fiscal Year 2021. (Pursuant to Public Act 19-154) Date received: April 1 2020.

Referred to the Committees of Higher Education & Employment Advancement and Finance, Revenue & Bonding.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Connecticut Lottery Corporation for the Fiscal Years ended June 30, 2016 and 2017. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: April 2, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Appropriations, Finance, Revenue and Bonding and General Law.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Monthly Loss Report to the Governor as of March 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 4-33a of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: April 8, 2020.

Referred to Joint Committee on Legislative Management.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Auditors Report Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection years ended June 30, 2015, 2016, and 2017. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: April 8, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Appropriations, Finance, Revenue and Bonding and Public Safety.

Report – State Department of Education – State-Funded After-School Grant Program End of year Program for 2017-18 School Year. (Pursuant to Section 10-16x(g) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: April 18, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Education.

Report – State Department of Education – Report on Establishment and Operation of School Governance Councils in Connecticut for School year 2018-2019. (Pursuant to Section 10-223j of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: April 8, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Children and Education.

Report- Office of Policy and Management, Intergovernmental Policy and Planning Division, 2020 Report on the Implementation of the Conservation and Development polices: The plan for Connecticut 2013 to 2018. (Pursuant to Sec 16a-32 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: April 9, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Planning and Development.

Report – Department of Motor Vehicles – Connecticut Emissions Program Statistics for March 2020. (Pursuant to Executive Directive #3 and Section 14-164h of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: April 10, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – CT Department of Labor for yearly reports for Fiscal years ended June 30, 2015 and 2016 (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes). Received April 14, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Appropriations, Finance, Revenue and Bonding and Labor and Public Employees.

Report – Access Health Connecticut – Quarterly Data Report for First Quarter ended March 30, 2020 for Calendar Year 2020. (Pursuant to Section 38a-1092(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: April 14, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Human Services, Insurance and Real Estate and Public Health.

Report – Department of Motor Vehicles – Monthly Wait Times by Branch and Internet Transaction Information for February and March 2020. (Pursuant to Section 14-11e(b) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: April 15, 2020.

Referred to Committee of Transportation.

Report – Soldiers’, Sailors’ and Marines’ Fund – American Legion, Quarterly Report of Disbursals for January 1, 2020 to March 30, 2020 (Pursuant to Section 27-140 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: April 21, 2020

Referred to Committees on Veterans’ Affairs.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts –Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority for Fiscal Years ended June 30, 2017, 2018. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: April 21, 2020

Referred to Committees on Energy and Technology and Environment.

Report – Connecticut Innovations, Inc. – 2020 Connecticut Bioscience Innovation Fund Annual Report. (Pursuant to Section 32-41cc of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: April 23, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations, Commerce, Finance, Revenue and Bonding, Higher Education and Employment Advancement and Public Health.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Connecticut State Employees’ Campaign for Charitable Giving for the 2015, 2016 and 2017 Campaigns. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: April 27, 2020.

Referred to Joint Committee on Legislative Management.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Department of Social Services for Fiscal years ending June 30, 2014 and 2015. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: April 27, 2020.

Referred to Joint Committees on Appropriations and Human Services.

Report - Connecticut Judicial Branch – Proposed Changes from the Rules to the Practice Book of the Connecticut Judiciary (Pursuant to Section 1-9(a) of the Connecticut Statues.) Date received: April 30, 2020.

Referred to Joint Committee on Judiciary.

Report - Office of Policy and Management - Recommendations for Measuring Municipal Fiscal Capacity Prepared. (Pursuant to Section 367 of Public Act 19-117.) Date received: May 1, 2020.

Referred to the Joint Committee on Planning and Development.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Department of Mental Health and Addictive Services for Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2015 and 2016. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: May 1, 2020.

Referred to Joint Committee on Human Services.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Connecticut Innovations Incorporated for Fiscal Years ending June 30, 2017 and 2018. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: May 5, 2020.

Referred to Joint Committees on Appropriations and Commerce.

Report – Department of Transportation - Quarterly Status Report on Positive Train Control (PTC) (Pursuant to Public act 19-161 Section 13.) Date received: May 5, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Monthly Loss Report to the Governor as of April 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 4-33a of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: May 5, 2020.

Referred to Joint Committee on Legislative Management.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Government Accountability for Fiscal Years ending June 30, 2017, 2018 and 2019. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: May 7, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Government Administration and Elections and Judiciary.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – State Retirement Funds and State Employee and Retiree Benefits Fiscal Years ended June 30, 2015 and 2016. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: May 12, 2020.

Referred to committees on Appropriations and Finance, Revenue and Bonding and Government Administration and Elections

Report – Department of Motor Vehicles – Connecticut Emissions Program Statistics for April 2020. (Pursuant to Executive Directive #3 and Section 14-164h of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: May 12, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Board of Regents for Higher Education Western Connecticut State University Fiscal Years ended June 30, 2015, 2016 And 2017. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: May 14, 2020.

Referred to the Committee Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – State Department of Education Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2016 and 2017. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: May 12, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Education.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts - State Treasurer – Departmental Operations Fiscal Years ended June 30, 2017 and 2018. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: June 2, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Appropriations and Finance, Revenue and Bonding.

Report – Connecticut Municipal Electric Energy Cooperative – Annual Report for Calendar Year Ended December 31, 2019. (Pursuant to Section 7-233c(i) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: June 2, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Energy and Technology.

Report – Department of Motor Vehicles – Connecticut Emissions Program Statistics for May 2020. (Pursuant to Executive Directive #3 and Section 14-164h of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: June 5, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

Report – Department of Motor Vehicles – Monthly Wait Times by Branch and Internet Transaction Information for March, April and May 2020. (Includes data back to April 2015) (Pursuant to Section 14-11e(b) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: June 8, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Monthly Loss Report to the Governor as of May 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 4-33a of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: June 8, 2020.

Referred to Joint Committee on Legislative Management.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts –Office of Early Childhood Fiscal Years ended June 30, 2015, 2016, and 2017. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: June 10, 2020.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2018 and 2019. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: June 11, 2020.

Referred to the Committee on Environment.

Report – University of Connecticut University of Connecticut UCONN 2000 Construction Projects Substantially Complete Schedules of UCONN 2000 Construction Projects and UCONN 2000 Reported Project Values and Independent Auditor's Report June 30, 2019. (Pursuant to Section 10a-109z of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: June 12, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – State of Connecticut Statewide Single Audit Report for Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2019. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: June 12, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Appropriations, Banking, Commerce, Education, Energy and Technology, Environment, Finance, Revenue and Bonding, Government Administration and Elections, General Law, Higher Education and Employment Advancement, Housing, Human Services, Judiciary, Insurance and Real estate, Labor and Public Employees, Public Health, Public Safety and Security, Transportation and Joint Committee on Legislative Management.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Workers' Compensation Commission Fiscal Years ended June 30, 2018 and 2019. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: June 10, 2020.

Referred to the Committee on Labor and Public Employees.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts –Office of The Probate Court Administrator for the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2017, 2018, and 2019. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: June 23, 2020.

Referred to the Committees on Finance, Revenue and Bonding and Judiciary.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Department of Revenue Services Fiscal Years ended June 30, 2015 and 2016. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: June 25, 2020.

Referred to the Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding.

Report - Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services - the Efficacy of Home-Based Treatment and Recovery Services for Persons with Opioid Use Disorder Following Emergency Department Admissions. (Pursuant to Public act 19-191) Date received: June 25, 2020.

Referred to the Committee on Human Services and Public Health.

Report – Public Utilities Regulatory Authority – 2020 PURA report Concerning Lost and Unaccounted for Gas, Docket No. 20-01-74 Dated June 24, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 16-34a of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: June 30, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Energy and Technology.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Board of Regents for Higher Education Central Connecticut State University Fiscal Years ended June 30, 2015, 2016 and 2017. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: June 10, 2020.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Connecticut Innovations, Inc. – 2020 Annual Report of Cumulative Effectiveness of the Angel Investor Program. (Pursuant to Section 12-704d of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: July 6, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Appropriations.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts –University of Connecticut Health Center Fiscal Years ended June 30, 2017 and 2018 (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: July 7, 2020.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations, Finance, Revenue and Bonding and Higher Education and Employment Advancement, and Public Health.

Report – Department of Motor Vehicles – Connecticut Emissions Program Statistics for June 2020. (Pursuant to Executive Directive #3 and Section 14-164h of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: July 7, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

Report – Department of Education - the Apprenticeship Committee Program Report Date July 2020.(Pursuant to Section 10-21j(c) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: July 7, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Commerce Committee, Labor and Public Employees Committee, and Higher Education and Employment Committee.

Report – State Department of Education – Interagency Council for Ending the Achievement Gap, Task Force Report on Implementation of Master Plan as of July, 2020. (Pursuant Section 10-16nn(b) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: July 8, 2020

Referred to Committee on Education.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts –Division of Criminal Justice Fiscal Years ended June 30, 2017 and 2018. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: July 10, 2020.

Referred to the Committees on Appropriations, Judiciary and Public Safety and Security.

Report – Criminal Justice Information System Governing Board – Status of Design and Implementation of the Connecticut Information Sharing System covering January 1, 2020 to June 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 54-142q and 54-142s of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: July 10, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Monthly Loss Report to the Governor as of June 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 4-33a of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: July 14, 2020

Referred to Joint Committee on Legislative Management.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Connecticut Health and Educational Facilities Authority Connecticut Higher Education Supplemental Loan Authority Connecticut Student Loan Foundation CHEFA Community Development Corporation Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2018 and 2019. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: July 14, 2020.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Office of Policy and Management – Connecticut Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations. (Pursuant to Section 2-79a(d) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: July 14, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Aging, Appropriations, Education, Energy and Technology, Environment, Finance, Revenue and Bonding, General Law, Government Administration and Elections, Housing, Human Services, Insurance and Real Estate, Labor and Public Employees, Planning and Development, Public Health, Public Safety and Security, Transportation, Veterans' Affairs and Joint Committee on Legislative Management.

Report – Department of Social Services, Bureau of Child Support Enforcement and Judicial Department, Support Enforcement Services – Annual Federal Self-Assessment Report for the

period of October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019. (Pursuant to Section 11-4a of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: July 14, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts - Performance Audit: Connecticut Prescription Monitoring Program. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: July 16, 2020.

Referred to the Committee on General Law

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts - Private Providers of Special Education School Year 2017 - 2018. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: July 21, 2020.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Report – Chief of Police, Town of Cromwell – Annual Report on Human Trafficking Investigations for the Town of Cromwell for Fiscal Year June 30, 2019 and Fiscal Year June 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 2 of Public Act 16-71.) Date received: July 21, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Judiciary and Children.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts - Connecticut Mental Health Center Foundation for the Calendar Year ended December 31, 2018. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: July 21, 2020.

Referred to the Committee on Human Services.

Report – Soldiers', Sailors' and Marines' Fund – American Legion, Quarterly Report of Disbursals for March 30, 2020 to June 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 27-140 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: July 24, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Veterans' Affairs.

Report – Access Health Connecticut – Quarterly Data Report for Second Quarter ended June 30, 2020 for Calendar Year 2020. (Pursuant to Section 38a-1092(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: July 27, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Human Services, Insurance and Real Estate and Public Health.

Report – State Department of Education – Revised report on Interagency Council for Ending the Achievement Gap, Task Force Report on Implementation of Master Plan as of July, 2020. (Pursuant Section 10-16nn(b) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: July 27, 2020

Referred to Committee on Education.

Report – Department of Children and Families – Status of Services Provided Under the Connecticut Behavioral Health Partnership. (Pursuant to Section 17a-22m of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: July 28, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Children, Human Services and Public Health.

Report – Military Department – Military Facility Usage Report for Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 11(a) and 27-39(g) of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: July 31, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Report - State Department of Education - Report on Commissioner's Network Audits and Plans for the Scholl year 2020-21 (Pursuant to subsections (j)(1), (j)(2), and (j)(3) of Section 10-223h of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: August 5, 2020

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts - Department Of Mental Health and Addiction Services for the Fiscal Years ended June 30, 2017 and 2018. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: August 6, 2020.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Report – Department of Motor Vehicles – Connecticut Emissions Program Statistics for July 2020. (Pursuant to Executive Directive #3 and Section 14-164h of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: August 10, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts -Fiscal Year 2020 Performance Audit Compliance Report: Oversight of Pre-Need Funeral Service Contracts (Follow-up Report). (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: August 13, 2020.

Referred to the Committees on General Law, Human Services and Public Health.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts - Bradley Enterprise Fund Memorandum of Understanding Between the Department Of Emergency Services And Public Protection And The Connecticut Airport Authority Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2018 And 2019. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: August 13, 2020.

Referred to the Committees Transportation and Public Safety and Security.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Monthly Loss Report to the Governor as of July 2020. (Pursuant to Section 4-33a of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: August 14, 2020.

Referred to Joint Committee on Legislative Management.

Report – Department of Children and Families – Family Assessment Response Program Annual Data Report for Calendar Year Ended December 31, 2019. (Pursuant to Section 17a-101g)(11) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: August 17, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Children.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Division of Public Defender Services Fiscal Years ended June 30, 2018 and 2019. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: August 18, 2020.

Referred to Joint Committee on Legislative Management.

Report – State Department of Education – Implementation of Graduation Requirements for School Year 2018-2019 and 2019-2020. (Pursuant to Section 10-5d of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: August 26, 2020

Referred to Committee on Education.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Annual Whistleblower Report for Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 4-61dd(g) of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: August 27, 2020.

Referred to Joint Committee on Legislative Management.

Report – University of Connecticut – UConn 2000 Report #50 Semi-Annual Report for Period Ended July 2020. (Pursuant to Section 10a-109x(c) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: August 28, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Commerce, Finance, Revenue and Bonding and Higher Education and Employment Advancement

Report – Connecticut Innovations, Inc. – Jackson Labs Quarterly Report for March 31, 2020 and June 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 32-41y(d)(2) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: August 28, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Commerce, Finance, Revenue and Bonding and Higher

Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Public Utility Regulatory Authority - Docket No. 20-02-21 – 2020 PURA Review of Connecticut Public Service Company Plans for Restoration of Service that is Interrupted as a Result of an Emergency. (Pursuant to Public Act 28-1 and 16-329e of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received September 2, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Energy and Technology

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Board of Regents for Higher Education Charter Oak State College for Fiscal Years ended June 30, 2017 and 2018. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: September 2, 2020.

Referred to the Committees on Appropriations and Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Connecticut Valley Hospital Whiting Forensic Hospital Task Force - Interim Report of the Connecticut Valley Hospital Whiting Forensic Hospital Task Force. (Pursuant to Public Act No. 18-86) Date received: September 8, 2020.

Referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Monthly Loss Report to the Governor as of August 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 4-33a of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: September 9, 2020.

Referred to Joint Committee on Legislative Management.

Report – Chief of Police, Eastern Connecticut State University – Annual Report on Human Trafficking Investigations for Eastern Connecticut State University for Fiscal Year June 30, 2019 and Fiscal Year June 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 2 of Public Act 16-71.) Date received: September 10, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Judiciary and Children.

Report – Department of Motor Vehicles – Connecticut Emissions Program Statistics for August 2020. (Pursuant to Executive Directive #3 and Section 14-164h of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: September 11, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

Report – Department of Education - Commissioner Cardona’s Biennial Report on School Districts’ Efforts to Reduce Racial, Ethnic and Economic Isolation of Connecticut’s Students. August 2020. (Pursuant to Section 10-226h of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: September 15, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Education.

Report – Department of Public Health - Scope of Practice Requests received by the Department of Public Health (Pursuant to Sections 19a-16d through 19a-16f of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received September 16, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Report – Capital Region Council of Governments – Regional Services Grant Spending Report Fiscal Year ending 2020. (Pursuant to Section 4-66r of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: September 30, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Government Administration and Elections and Planning and Development.

Report - State Board of Education Priority School Districts End-of-Year Summary and Evaluative Report– July 2019 to June 2020. (Pursuant to Sections 10-266p to 10-266r of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: September 17, 2020.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – The Department of Public Health’s Monitoring of Public Water Systems and Enforcement of Drinking Water Laws: FY 20 Compliance Report. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: September 17, 2020.
Referred to Joint Committee on Public Health.

Report – Lieutenant Bowsza, City of Hartford – Annual Report on Human Trafficking Investigations for the City of Hartford for Fiscal Year June 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 2 of Public Act 16-71.) Date received: September 17, 2020.
Referred to Committees on Judiciary and Children.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection for Fiscal year 2018 and 2019. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: September 22, 2020.
Referred to Joint Committee on Public Health.

Report – POST University – Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Intimate Partner Violence, and Policy Against Gender-based Discrimination and Sexual Misconduct for the School Year 2019-2020. (Pursuant to Section 10a-55m(f) of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: September 24, 2020.
Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Department of Housing, Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2016 and 2017. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: September 24, 2020.
Referred to Joint Committee on Housing.

Report – Northwest Hills Connecticut Council of Governments – Fiscal Year Ending 2020 Annual Report. (Pursuant to Section 4-66r of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: September 25, 2020.
Referred to Committees on Government Administration and Elections and Planning and Development.

Report – POST University – Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Intimate Partner Violence, and Policy Against Gender-based Discrimination and Sexual Misconduct for the School Year 2019-2020. (Pursuant to Section 10a-55m(f) of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: September 24, 2020.
Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Fairfield University – Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Intimate Partner Violence, and Policy Against Gender-based Discrimination and Sexual Misconduct for School year 2018-19. (Pursuant to Section 10a-55m(f) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: September 24, 2020.
Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Connecticut Health and Educational Facilities Authority (CHEFA) – Annual Report for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Sections 1-122, 1-123 and 10a-240 of the Connecticut General Statutes). Date received: September 25, 2020.
Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Connecticut Health and Educational Facilities Authority (CHEFA) – Connecticut Higher Education Supplemental Loan Authority (CHESLA) – CHESLA Annual Report Parts I and II for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 10a-240 of the Connecticut General Statutes). Date received: September 25, 2020.
Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Connecticut Health and Educational Facilities Authority – Connecticut Student Loan Foundation (CSLF) – CSLF Annual Report, including Financial Report for Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Sections 1-122 and 1-123 of the Connecticut General Statutes). Date received: September 25, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report - Criminal Justice Commission, Office of the Chief State's Attorney and inspector recommendation (Pursuant to Public Act 20-1 sections 33 and 41.) Date Received September 28, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities for Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2017 and 2018. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: September 29, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Appropriations and Judiciary.

Report - Department of Administrative Services - State of Connecticut Information and Telecommunications Strategic Plan for Fiscal Year 2021. (Pursuant to 4d-7 of the Connecticut General Statutes as amended by P.A. 14-202.) Date received: September 29, 2020.

Report – Trinity College – Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Intimate Partner Violence, and Policy Against Gender-based Discrimination and Sexual Misconduct for the Calendar Year 2019. (Pursuant to Section 10a-55m(f) of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: September 29, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Charter Oak State College Audit report for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date Received: September 30, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Appropriations, Finance, Revenue and Bonding, and Higher Education.

Report – Hartford Seminary – Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Intimate Partner Violence, and Policy Against Gender-based Discrimination and Sexual Misconduct for the Calendar Year 2019. (Pursuant to Section 10a-55m(f) of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: September 30, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Department of Administrative Services – Annual Report of the State Properties Review Board for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 4b-2(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: September 30, 2020

Referred to Committees on Appropriations, Finance, Revenue and Bonding and Government Administration and Elections.

Report – Rensselaer at Harford – Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Intimate Partner Violence, and Policy Against Gender-based Discrimination and Sexual Misconduct for the Calendar Year 2019. (Pursuant to Section 10a-55m(f) of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: September 30, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Connecticut College – Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Intimate Partner Violence, and Policy Against Gender-based Discrimination and Sexual Misconduct for the Calendar Year 2019. (Pursuant to Section 10a-55m(f) of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: September 30, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Western Connecticut State University– Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Intimate Partner Violence, and Policy Against Gender-based Discrimination and Sexual Misconduct for the Calendar Year 2019. (Pursuant to Section 10a-55m(f) of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: September 30, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Gateway Community College – Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Intimate Partner Violence, and Policy Against Gender-based Discrimination and Sexual Misconduct for the Calendar Year ending December 31, 2019. (Pursuant to Section 10a-55m(f) of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: September 30, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Asnuntuck – Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Intimate Partner Violence, and Policy Against Gender-based Discrimination and Sexual Misconduct for the Calendar Year 2019. (Pursuant to Section 10a-55m(f) of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: September 30, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Charter Oak College – Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Intimate Partner Violence, and Policy Against Gender-based Discrimination and Sexual Misconduct for Calendar Year Ended December 31, 2019. (Pursuant to Section 10a-55m(f) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: September 30, 2020

Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Capitol Community College – Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Intimate Partner Violence, and Policy Against Gender-based Discrimination and Sexual Misconduct for Calendar Year Ended December 31, 2019. (Pursuant to Section 10a-55m(f) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: September 30, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Housatonic Community College – Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Intimate Partner Violence, and Policy Against Gender-based Discrimination and Sexual Misconduct for Calendar Year Ended December 31, 2019. (Pursuant to Section 10a-55m(f) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: September 30, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Manchester Community College – Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Intimate Partner Violence, and Policy Against Gender-based Discrimination and Sexual Misconduct for Calendar Year Ended December 31, 2019. (Pursuant to Section 10a-55m(f) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: September 30, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Middlesex Community College – Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Intimate Partner Violence, and Policy Against Gender-based Discrimination and Sexual Misconduct for Calendar Year Ended December 31, 2019. (Pursuant to Section 10a-55m(f) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: September 30, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Tunxis Community College – Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Intimate Partner Violence, and Policy Against Gender-based Discrimination and Sexual Misconduct for Calendar Year Ended December 31, 2019. (Pursuant to Section 10a-55m(f) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: September 30, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Quinebaug Community College – Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Intimate Partner Violence, and Policy Against Gender-based Discrimination and Sexual Misconduct for Calendar

Year Ended December 31, 2019. (Pursuant to Section 10a-55m(f) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: September 30, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Wesleyan University – Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Intimate Partner Violence, and Policy Against Gender-based Discrimination and Sexual Misconduct for Calendar Year Ended December 31, 2019. (Pursuant to Section 10a-55m(f) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: September 30, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Board of Regents for Higher Education Central Connecticut State University for Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2016 and 2017. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: October 1, 2020

Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – University of Hartford– Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Intimate Partner Violence, and Policy Against Gender-based Discrimination and Sexual Misconduct for Calendar Year Ended December 31, 2019. (Pursuant to Section 10a-55m(f) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: October 1, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Lower Connecticut River Valley Council of Governments – Fiscal year ending 2019 Annual Report. (Pursuant to Section 4-66r of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: October 1, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Government Administration and Elections and Planning and Development.

Report – Department of Children and Families – Children’s Mental, Emotional and Behavioral Health Plan Implementation Advisory Board, Children’s Behavioral Health Plan Progress Report as of October 1, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 17a-22ff (f) of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: October 1, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Children, Human Services and Public Health.

Report – University of New Haven– Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Intimate Partner Violence, and Policy Against Gender-based Discrimination and Sexual Misconduct for Calendar Year Ended December 31, 2019. (Pursuant to Section 10a-55m(f) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: October 1, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Department of Corrections – Program Inventory of Correctional Programs for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2020 (Pursuant to Section 4-68s(b) of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: October 1, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Appropriations, Children, Finance, Revenue and Bonding and Human Services.

Report – Connecticut Metropolitan Council of Government – Regional Service Grant Annual Progress Report for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 4-66r of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: October 1, 2020

Referred to Committees Finance, Revenue and Bonding and Planning and Development.

Report – Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments – Regional Service Grant Annual Progress Report for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 4-66r of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: October 1, 2020.

Referred to Committees Finance, Revenue and Bonding and Planning and Development.

Report – South Central Regional Council of Governments – Regional Service Grant Annual Progress Report for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 4-66r of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: October 1, 2020.

Referred to Committees Finance, Revenue and Bonding and Planning and Development.

Report – University of Saint Joseph – Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Intimate Partner Violence, and Policy Against Gender-based Discrimination and Sexual Misconduct for Calendar Year Ended December 31, 2019. (Pursuant to Section 10a-55m(f) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: October 1, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Yale University – Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Intimate Partner Violence, and Policy Against Gender-based Discrimination and Sexual Misconduct for Calendar Year Ended December 31, 2019. (Pursuant to Section 10a-55m(f) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: October 1, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – University of Connecticut – Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Intimate Partner Violence, and Policy Against Gender-based Discrimination and Sexual Misconduct for Calendar Year Ended December 31, 2019. (Pursuant to Section 10a-55m(f) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: October 2, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report - Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection - Commission On Fire Prevention And Control Annual report for Fiscal year ending June 30, 2020. (Pursuant to section 7-323 (7) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: October 5, 2020.

Referred to Committee to Public Safety and Security.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Central Connecticut State University National Collegiate Athletic Association for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: October 6, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Office of Military Affairs – Annual Report for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 32-58b of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: October 6, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Appropriations, Commerce, Public Safety and Security and Veterans' Affairs.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Monthly Loss Report to the Governor as of September 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 4-33a of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: October 8, 2020.

Referred to Joint Committee on Legislative Management.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Department of Insurance and the Office of the Healthcare Advocate for Fiscal Years ended June 30, 2018 and 2019. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: October 8, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Insurance and Real Estate and Public Health.

Report – Department of Public Health - Scope of Practice Requests received by the Department of Public Health (Pursuant to Sections 19a-16d through 19a-16f of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received October 8, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Public Health.

Report – Department of Motor Vehicles – Connecticut Emissions Program Statistics for September 2020. (Pursuant to Executive Directive #3 and Section 14-164h of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: October 9, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts- Connecticut Housing Finance Authority for the calendar years ended December 31, 2018 and 2019. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date Received: October 13, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Appropriations, Finance, Revenue and Bonding and Housing.

Report – Deputy Chief of Police, Southern Connecticut State University – Annual Report on Human Trafficking Investigations for Fiscal Year June 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 2 of Public Act 16-71.) Date received: October 14, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Judiciary and Children.

Report – Department of Motor Vehicles – Monthly Wait Times by Branch and Internet Transaction Information for September and October 2020. (Pursuant to Section 14-11e(b) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: October 14, 2020.

Referred to Committee of Transportation.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Board of Regents for Higher Education, Eastern Connecticut State University for Fiscal Years ended June 30, 2017 and 2018. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: October 15, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Appropriations and Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Town of Milford, Police Department Administration Division – Annual Report on Human Trafficking Investigations for Fiscal Year June 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 2 of Public Act 16-71.) Date received: October 15, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Judiciary and Children.

Report – Department of Public Health and the Department of Social Services - Annual Report of The Nursing Home Financial Advisory Committee, (Pursuant to Section 17b-339 of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: October 16, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Aging, Appropriations Human Services and Public Health.

Report – University of Bridgeport – Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Intimate Partner Violence, and Policy Against Gender-based Discrimination and Sexual Misconduct for Calendar Year Ended December 31, 2019. (Pursuant to Section 10a-55m(f) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: October 16, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Holy Apostles College & Seminary – Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Intimate Partner Violence, and Policy Against Gender-based Discrimination and Sexual Misconduct for Calendar Year Ended December 31, 2019. (Pursuant to Section 10a-55m(f) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: October 16, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Department of Public Health – Small and Minority Business Set-Aside Program Goals for Fiscal Year 2019-2020. (Pursuant to Section 4a-60g of the Connecticut General Assembly) Date received: October 20, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Government Administration and Elections and Planning and Development.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Office of Policy Management June 30, 2017 and 2018. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: October 15, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Appropriations, Education, Government Administration and Elections, Housing, Judiciary, Planning and Development Public Health, and Transportation.

Report – Access Health Connecticut – Quarterly Data Report for Third Quarter Ended September 30, 2020. for Calendar Year 2020. (Pursuant to Section 1-38a-1092(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: October 21, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Human Services, Insurance and Real Estate and Public Health.

Report – Soldiers’, Sailors’ and Marines’ Fund – American Legion, Quarterly Report of Disbursals for July 1, 2020 to September 30, 2020 (Pursuant to Section 27-140 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: October 21, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Veterans’ Affairs.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Department of Economic and Community Development Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2018 and 2019. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: October 22, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Commerce and Finance, Revenue and Bonding.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Connecticut Heritage Foundation, Inc. for Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2019. (Pursuant to Section 11-4a of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: October 26, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Joint Committee on Legislative Management.

Report – Department of Transportation – Attraction and Food, Gas, Lodging and Camping logo signs (Pursuant to Public Act 19-178) Date received: October 27, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Office of the Chief Medical Examiner for Fiscal Years ended June 30, 2018 and 2019. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: October 28, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Appropriations, Finance, Revenue and Bonding, Judiciary, Public Health, Public Safety and Security and Joint Committee on Legislative Management.

Report – Connecticut Airport Authority – Independent Audit for Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 15-120ee of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: October 29, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Appropriations, Commerce, and Transportation.

Report – Department of Corrections – Program Inventory of Correctional Programs for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2020 (Pursuant to Section 4-68s(b) of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: October 29, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Appropriations, Children, Finance, Revenue and Bonding and Human Services.

Report – Department of Public Health – Lead Poisoning Prevention Efforts Annual Report (Pursuant to Section 19a-111i of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: November 2, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Human Services and Public Health.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Office of The Attorney General Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2018 and 2019. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: November 4, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Appropriations and Government Administration and Elections.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Monthly Loss Report to the Governor as of October 31, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 4-33a of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: November 5, 2020.

Referred to Joint Committee on Legislative Management.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Connecticut Airport Authority for Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2016 and 2017. (Pursuant to Section 1-222 and Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: November 5, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Commerce and Finance, Revenue and Bonding and Transportation.

Report – Connecticut Innovations, Inc. – Independent Auditors Report on Active Financial Assistance for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 32-47a of the General Statutes of Connecticut.) Date received: November 6, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Commerce and Finance, Revenue and Bonding.

Report – Department of Motor Vehicles – Connecticut Emissions Program Statistics for October 31, 2020. (Pursuant to Executive Directive #3 and Section 14-164h of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: November 9, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Department of Developmental Services Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2017 and 2018. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: November 10, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Human Services.

Report – State Department of Education – Implementation of Early Reading Legislation in Connecticut for School Year 2019-20 (Pursuant to Section 10-14u of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: November 10, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Children and Education.

Report – Department of Motor Vehicles – Monthly Wait Times by Branch and Internet Transaction Information for September and October 2020. (Pursuant to Section 14-11e(b) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: November 12, 2020.

Referred to Committee of Transportation.

Report – Office of Policy and Management – Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations Report for Legislative Sessions from February 1 to September 30, 2020 of mandates passed. (Pursuant to Section 2-32c of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: November 16, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Government Administration and Elections and Planning and Development.

Communication – Teachers' Retirement Board – Certification of State Contributions Necessary to Maintain Teachers' Retirement Fund for Fiscal Year 2021-22. (Pursuant to Section 10-183z of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: November 19, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Appropriations, Education and Joint Committee on Legislative Management.

Report - University of Connecticut Foundation, Incorporated annual report for fiscal year ending June 30, 2019. (Pursuant to Public act 16-93 and section 4-37f of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: November 19, 2020.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts –Fiscal Years ended June 30, 2015, 2016 and 2017. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: November 24, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Finance, Revenue and Bonding and General Law.

Report – Department of Rehabilitation Services – Connecticut Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program Annual Report for Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2019. (Pursuant to Section 17a-417 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: November 30, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Aging and Human Services.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – State Education Resource Center for Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2017 and 2018. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: December 1, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Education and Human Services.

Report - Office of Governmental Accountability, State Contracting Standards Board - State Contracting Standards Board's Audit Report for fiscal year ending June 30, 2018. (Pursuant to Public act 19-136) Date received: December 2, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – State Elections Enforcement Commission for Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2017 and 2018. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: December 3, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Government Administration and Elections.

Communication – Champion Energy Services, Hardship Cases. (Pursuant to Section 16-262(c) of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: December 3, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Energy and Technology.

Communication – North American Power and Gas, LLC's Annual Hardship Filing (Pursuant to Section 16-262(c) of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: December 3, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Energy and Technology.

Communication – Ambit Northeast, LLC Annual Hardship Filing (Pursuant to Section 16-262(c) of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: December 3, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Energy and Technology.

Communication – Connecticut Gas & Electric, Inc. Annual Hardship Filing (Pursuant to Section 16-262(c) of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: December 3, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Energy and Technology.

Communication – Everyday Energy, LLC d/b/a Energy Rewards Annual Hardship Filing (Pursuant to Section 16-262(c) of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: December 3, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Energy and Technology.

Communication – Public Power, LLC Annual Hardship Filing (Pursuant to Section 16-262(c) of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: December 3, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Energy and Technology.

Communication – Viridian Energy, LLC Annual Hardship Filing. (Pursuant to Section 16-262(c) of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: December 3, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Energy and Technology.

Communication – Connecticut Green Bank – Annual Certificate Regarding Deposits to Restore the Special Capital Reserve Fund. (Pursuant to Section 16-245mm(d) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: December 7, 2020

Referred to Committees on Energy and Technology and Finance, Revenue and Bonding

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Board of Regents for Higher Education Western Connecticut State University Fiscal Years ended June 30, 2018 and 2019. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: December 8, 2020.

Referred to the Committee Higher Education and Employment Advancement.

Report – Access Health Connecticut – Fiscal year ending June 30, 2017 Annual Report. (Pursuant to Section 1-38a-1092(a) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: December 8, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Human Services, Insurance and Real Estate and Public Health.

Report – Connecticut Airport Authority – Annual Legislative Report for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 15-120kk of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: December 8, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Commerce and Transportation.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Monthly Loss Report to the Governor as of November 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 4-33a of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: December 9, 2020.

Referred to Joint Committee on Legislative Management.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Department of Administrative Services Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2015, 2016 and 2017. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: December 10, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Human Services.

Report – Department of Motor Vehicles – Connecticut Emissions Program Statistics for November 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Executive Directive #3 and Section 14-164h of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: December 11, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Transportation.

Report, Chief State's Attorney Richard J. Colangelo, - Preliminary Status Report of The Use of Force in Waterbury CT on December 8, 2020. (Pursuant to Public Act 19-90 sec. 3) Date received: December 11, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Report – Department of Motor Vehicles – Monthly Wait Times by Branch and Internet Transaction Information for October and November 2020. (Pursuant to Section 14-11e(b) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: December 14, 2020.

Referred to Committee of Transportation

Report – Office of Victim Services - 2020 Report of the Connecticut Advisory Council for Victims of Crime. (Pursuant to 54-203(b)(9) of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: December 14, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Report - Office of The Claims Commissioner, - Claim of Alfred Swinton - File No. 25253 (Pursuant to 54-102uu of the Connecticut General Statutes as amended by Public Act 16-127) Date received: December 14, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Report – Office of Policy and Management – Annual Report of Alternative Method for Assessment of Commercial Properties Pilot Program for fiscal year ending September 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 12-63i of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: December 15, 2020

Referred to Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding

Report - Department of Economic and Community Development – Sports Advisory Council Activities Report ending June 30, 2020. (Pursuant to 10-425f of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: December 16, 2020.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Report – Judicial Branch – Code of Evidence Oversight Committee Report for 2020. (Pursuant to Section 51-14a of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: December 16, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Connecticut State Employees’ Campaign for Charitable Giving for the 2018 and 2019 Campaigns. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: December 16, 2020.

Referred to Joint Committee on Legislative Management.

Report – University of Connecticut – Annual Report on Transfer and Articulation Programs dated January 2021. (Pursuant to Section 10a-55w of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: December 18, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Appropriations, Commerce, Education, Higher Education and Employment Advancement and Labor and Public Employees.

Report – Office of Early Childhood – 3rd Quarter Child Care Development Fund (CCDF) Expenditure and Priority Group Enrollment Report. (Pursuant to Section 17b-749 of the Connecticut General Statutes.) Date received: December 18, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Appropriations and Education.

Report – Office of Early Childhood – Nurturing Families Network Report for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 17b-751b of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: December 18, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Children.

Report – Connecticut Innovations – CT Next Statewide Annual Marketing Plan. (Pursuant to Section 32-39g(b)(6) of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: December 21, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Commerce and Finance, Revenue and Bonding.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Office of the Governor and Office of Lieutenant Governor Fiscal Years ended June 30, 2019 and 2020. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: December 22, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Government Administration and Elections.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Connecticut Military Department for Fiscal Years ended June 30, 2016, 2017 and 2018. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: December 23, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Appropriations, Finance, Revenue and Bonding and Veterans’ Affairs.

Report- Department of Economic & Community Development - Manufacturing Innovation Fund Annual Report for fiscal year ending June 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Public Act 14-98) Date received: December 23, 2020.

Referred to Committee on Appropriations and Commerce.

Report – Office of the Chief State Attorney's - Plan for Prosecutorial Official Review, (Pursuant to Public Act 20-1 sec 23) Date received: December 23, 2020.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Report - Commission on Judicial Compensation – Final report to the General Assembly, (Pursuant to section 51-47c of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: December 24, 2020.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Report – Auditors of Public Accounts – Independent Auditors’ Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards, Office of the State Treasurer for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020. (Pursuant to Section 2-90 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: December 31, 2020.

Referred to Committees on Appropriations, Finance, Revenue and Bonding, and Government Administration and Elections.

Report – Judicial Branch – Connecticut Advisory Council on Housing Matters Biennial Report and Recommendations for 2020. (Pursuant to Section 47a-73 of the Connecticut General Statutes) Date received: January 4, 2021

Referred to Committees on Housing and Judiciary.

RECESS

On motion of Senator Duff of the 25th , the Senate at 10:26 a.m. recessed.

AFTER RECESS

The Senate reconvened at 10:46 a.m., the President in the Chair.

**INTRODUCTION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS
SENATE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED**

The following resolutions were introduced, read, and adopted.

S.R. No. **1** RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE RULES OF THE SENATE.

Senator Duff of the 25th explained the resolution and moved adoption.

On a voice vote the resolution was adopted.

The following is the resolution:

Resolved by the Senate:

That the following are the Senate Rules for the 2021 and 2022 sessions:

1. The President shall take the chair on each session day, at the hour to which the Senate stands adjourned. The President shall thereupon call the Senate to order and after prayer and recitation of the pledge of allegiance, if a quorum is present, proceed to business.

2. In the absence of a quorum, the President may adjourn the Senate to a subsequent time on that day or to the next session day. At all other times an adjournment shall be pronounced by the President on motion.

3. The President shall preserve order and decorum and shall decide all questions of order, upon which no debate shall be allowed except at the request of the President; but the decision shall be subject to an appeal to the Senate which must be seconded and on which no member shall speak more than once. No other business shall be in order until such appeal is disposed of.

4. The President shall rise to put a question or to address the Senate, but may read sitting.

5. If there is any disturbance, disorderly conduct or other activity in or about the chamber which, in the opinion of the presiding officer, may impede the orderly transaction of the business of the Senate, the presiding officer may take such action as is deemed necessary to preserve and restore order.

6. If the President while presiding, wishes to leave the chair, the President Pro Tempore shall preside, or, in the absence of the President Pro Tempore, the President Pro Tempore's designee shall preside for a period not exceeding one day.

7. Within one week after appointment, the President Pro Tempore shall nominate a chaplain and up to three deputy chaplains, and if such nominations are confirmed by the Senate by a majority vote, the candidates so nominated and confirmed shall serve for the 2021 and 2022 sessions.

8. The clerk shall keep a journal of the Senate, and shall enter therein a record of each day's proceedings and record any amendment that may be offered to any bill or resolution.

9. (a) Upon acceptance of a Senate agenda, the clerk's office shall act upon the items listed as indicated and shall incorporate the items by reference in the Senate journal and Senate transcript. The clerk shall keep a Calendar on which he or she shall enter daily (1) all bills and joint resolutions received from the House for action except (a) bills and resolutions which do not have a favorable or unfavorable report of a joint committee which shall, upon being read by the clerk, be referred without further action to the appropriate committee, (b) all bills and joint resolutions received from the House for action by the Senate which have not been referred by the Senate to any committee, and (2) all bills and resolutions favorably reported to the Senate from any committee; and these shall be entered on the Calendar in the order in which they are received. Each joint resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution and each bill so entered shall be printed and in the files and on the Calendar, with a file number for two session days and shall be starred for action on the session day next succeeding, except that:

(A) A resolution may be acted on in accordance with Rule 17(b) of the joint rules of the Senate and the House of Representatives,

(B) A bill or resolution certified in accordance with section 2-26 of the general statutes, if filed in the House, may be transmitted to and acted upon first by the Senate with the consent of the speaker; and if filed in the Senate, may be transmitted to and acted upon first by the House with the consent of the President Pro Tempore,

(C) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (c) of this rule, any bill or resolution certified in accordance with section 2-26 of the general statutes, may be acted upon immediately in the first house, may be transmitted immediately to the second house and may be acted upon immediately when received by the second house,

(D) If the Senate rejects an amendment adopted by the House, the bill or resolution after final action by the Senate may be transmitted immediately to the House, or if the House rejects an amendment adopted by the Senate, the bill or resolution when received from the House may be placed immediately on the Calendar,

(E) During the last five calendar days of the session, if the Senate rejects an amendment adopted by the House, or adopts a Senate amendment to a bill or resolution received from the House, or takes any action on the bill or resolution requiring further action by the House, the bill or resolution after final action by the Senate, may be transmitted immediately to the House, or if the House rejects an amendment adopted by the Senate or adopts a House amendment to a bill or resolution received from the Senate, or takes any action on the bill or resolution requiring further action by the Senate, the bill or resolution when received from the House may be placed immediately on the calendar and may be acted upon immediately,

(F) During the last five calendar days of the session, any bill or resolution after final action by the Senate may be transmitted immediately to the House, or

(G) During the last five calendar days of the session, any bill or resolution received by the Senate after final action by the House may be placed on the Calendar immediately.

(b) All bills and resolutions starred for action shall be acted upon only when reached in their regular order, and any bill or resolution passed over when so reached shall retain its place on the Calendar unless it is passed temporarily, put on the foot of the Calendar or its consideration is made the order of the day for some specified time.

(c) The clerk shall immediately provide an electronic notice of the filing, in either chamber, and number of any emergency certified bill introduced by the President Pro Tempore and the speaker, certified in accordance with section 2-26 of the general statutes, that is the biennial budget bill or a bill that amends or implements the biennial budget bill to the members of the Senate. No such emergency certified bill may be marked ready for action or acted upon less than twelve hours following the provision of such electronic notice.

(d) (1) On any day that is not scheduled as a session day, the President Pro Tempore and the Minority Leader, or their designees, may call the Senate into session for purposes of transacting business of a procedural nature by filing with the clerk or the clerk's designee a written instruction to conduct a pro forma Senate session with or without the presence of a senator. Said direction shall include a written motion to adopt the day's Senate agenda and act on all items as indicated and incorporate the items by reference into the Senate journal and Senate transcript. Said motion shall be read into the record and shall have the same force and effect as if the Senate were convened with a presiding officer and senator.

(2) Only during declarations of a public health or civil preparedness emergency related to COVID-19 by the Governor, or at any other time deemed necessary by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate for public health concerns related to COVID-19, on any day that is not scheduled as a session day, there shall be a pro forma session, with or without the presence of a senator, for purposes of transacting business of a procedural nature. There shall be a written motion to adopt the day's Senate agenda and act on all items as indicated and incorporate the items by reference into the Senate journal and Senate transcript. Said motion shall be read into the record and shall have the same force and effect as if the Senate were convened with a presiding officer and senator.

10. The clerk shall retain all bills, resolutions and other papers, in reference to which any member has a right to move a reconsideration, until the right of reconsideration has expired, and no longer.

11. The clerk shall also keep a record of all petitions, resolutions, and bills for all acts which are presented for the consideration of the Senate, and said record shall be so kept as to show by a single reference the action of the Senate on each of them to that date.

12. The assistant clerk shall have the same powers and perform the same duties as the clerk, subject to the direction of the clerk. The bill clerk and the journal clerk shall perform such duties as are assigned to them by the clerk.

13. The clerk shall cause the journals and calendars to be distributed on the desks of the members daily, before the opening of the session.

14. No member shall speak more than twice upon the same question without leave of the Senate, except to explain.

15. No member who is interested in the decision of any question in such manner that he or she cannot vote thereon may stay in the chamber when such question is discussed or decided.

16. If a member, in speaking or otherwise, transgresses the rules and order of the Senate, the President shall, or any member may, call such member to order; and if speaking, such member shall sit down, unless permitted to explain; and if a member is guilty of a breach of any of the rules and orders, such member may be required by the Senate, on motion, to make satisfaction therefor, and until satisfaction has been made, shall not be allowed to vote or speak except by way of excuse.

17. If a candidate for the Senate notifies the clerk on or before the opening day of the session that such candidate contests the results of the election for his or her district, a committee of three shall be appointed by the President Pro Tempore within the first two days of the session. If a candidate for the Senate in a special election notifies the clerk no later than fourteen days following such election that such candidate contests the results of the election for his or her district, a committee of three shall be appointed by the President Pro Tempore no later than sixteen days following such election. The committee shall take into consideration such contested election and report the facts with its opinion thereon.

18. The majority leader shall be elected by the members of the majority party in the Senate. The other leaders of the majority party in the Senate and the chairperson and vice chairpersons of each standing committee shall be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate. Chairpersons and vice chairpersons shall serve at the pleasure of the President Pro Tempore and the majority leader. The clerks of the standing committees and the chairpersons of the

subcommittees thereof shall be appointed by the chairpersons of the respective committees with the approval of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate. The minority leader shall be elected by the members of the minority party in the Senate and the other leaders of the minority party in the Senate shall be appointed by the minority leader. The minority leader shall appoint ranking minority members to each standing committee. Such ranking members shall serve at the pleasure of the minority leader. All standing committee members shall be appointed by the President Pro Tempore by the fifth regular session day of the first year of the term, except to fill a vacancy caused by death or incapacity or resignation from the Senate or from a committee; and except that the President Pro Tempore may appoint any member elected after the fifth regular session day of the first year of the term to any committee within five calendar days after the member takes the oath of office. Not more than nine senators shall be appointed to any standing committee, except that the joint standing committee on Judiciary shall consist of not more than eleven senators and the joint standing committees on Appropriations and Finance, Revenue and Bonding shall consist of not more than thirteen senators. The member first named shall be chairperson. The chairperson of each committee may appoint one of the members of the committee as clerk thereof. All Senate leaders, standing committee assignments, chairpersons, vice chairpersons and clerks and subcommittee chairpersons shall serve for both the 2021 and the 2022 sessions.

19. The order of business shall be as follows:

Reception of petitions.

Reception of communications from the Governor, secretary of the state, annual and biennial reports, interim committee reports and reports.

Introduction of bills and resolutions.

Reports of committees.

Reception of business from the House.

Business on the Calendar.

Introduction of guests.

Miscellaneous business.

Resolutions removed from consent calendar.

20. Before any petition or resolution is received, a brief statement of its object shall be made by the introducer.

21. When a motion is made, it shall be stated to the Senate by the President before any debate is had thereon, and every motion shall be reduced to writing if the President so directs or any member desires it.

22. When a motion is stated by the President, or read by the clerk, it shall be deemed to be in the possession of the Senate. It may be withdrawn by the mover at any time before decision or amendment, but not after amendment, unless the Senate gives leave.

23. If the question under debate consists of two or more independent propositions any member may move to have the question divided. The President shall rule on the order of voting on the division of a question.

24. (a) The yeas and nays shall be cast on the roll call machine on all final action on bills on the regular calendar and on all other questions at the desire of one-fifth of the members present, expressed at any time before a declaration of the vote.

(b) Exceptions to this rule shall be allowed as to how and where the yeas and nays are cast and recorded as follows:

(1) In the case that the roll call machine is not functioning properly, the roll may be called by the clerk; or

(2) Only during declarations of a public health or civil preparedness emergency related to COVID-19 by the Governor, or at any other time deemed necessary by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate for public health concerns related to COVID-19, the business of the Senate may be conducted in either the Senate or House chamber, as determined by the President Pro Tempore, and any member who is unwilling or unable to be in the chamber may vote remotely outside of the chamber from the Legislative Office Building or State Capitol. Any member who chooses to vote remotely shall inform the President of the Senate by telephone that such member intends to cast each such vote remotely on any roll call taken for the remainder of that session day and affirm that such member is present and will remain present at the Legislative Office Building or State Capitol for each such vote cast by the member, which information the President shall promptly announce

to the chamber. If the member is voting remotely, (A) any such vote shall be cast using the electronic remote voting system, or (B) if the electronic remote voting system is not functioning properly, any such vote may be cast by the member in writing, citing the LCO number of the bill, resolution or amendment or the number of the consent calendar upon which the vote is cast and signed by the member's hand. Such written remote vote shall be delivered by a runner selected by the member's caucus to the presiding officer before the roll call is announced. The presiding officer shall announce the result of any such vote by such member as indicated in the member's written remote vote and such vote shall be included in the roll call vote announced after the receipt of such vote. No voice vote may be made by written remote vote. The clerk shall retain each written remote vote until the end of the regular session in which the vote was cast.

25. Whenever the result of a vote as stated by the presiding officer is doubted, it shall be taken again by rising.

26. When a vote has been taken, it shall be in order for any senator on the prevailing side to move for a reconsideration thereof on the day of the vote or on the next succeeding session day, if the bill is still in the possession of the Senate; provided also that there shall be no reconsideration of the following motions: To adjourn, for the previous question or to reconsider, and no question shall be twice reconsidered.

27. Pairs may be made by senators whose votes if they were present would be cast on opposite sides of any question, by filing with the clerk of the Senate a memorandum, containing the names of the senators, and their votes, who are thus paired and the subject matter or matters to which such pairs apply. Senators making any such pairs shall be excused from voting upon the merits of the matters involved while the pair continues, but no pairs shall operate while both of the senators paired are present.

28. Persons, other than members of the General Assembly, shall not be permitted on the chamber floor while the Senate is in session. Lobbyists shall be prohibited from the chamber floor on any day during which the Senate is in session except during a public hearing in the chamber. This rule shall not apply to the staff of the General Assembly, to any state or municipal official or member of the media who has been given permission to be on the chamber floor by the President of the Senate, President Pro Tempore, majority leader or minority leader, or to persons invited to the chamber for purposes of recognition or ceremony. Other persons who desire to speak with a member of the Senate while it is in session shall communicate such desire through one of the messengers and shall not converse with such member in the chamber while the Senate is in session.

29. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received except:

To adjourn.

To recess.

For the previous question.

To close the debate at a specified time.

To pass temporarily.

To pass retain.

To postpone to a certain time.

To commit or recommit.

To divide the question.

To amend.

To refer to another committee.

To postpone indefinitely.

To place at foot of calendar.

These several motions shall have precedence in the order listed in this rule, and no motion to commit or recommit, to continue to the next General Assembly or to postpone indefinitely, having been once decided, shall be again allowed at the same session and at the same state of the bill or subject matter.

30. (a) Amendments shall be filed with the clerk of the Senate before 12 noon on the day the bill is acted upon. Exceptions to this rule shall be allowed: (1) Upon approval of any two of the following: The President Pro Tempore, the majority leader of the Senate, the minority leader of the Senate; or (2) in the case of bills or resolutions not starred for action or bills or resolutions

reported in accordance with subdivision (1) of paragraph (d) of Rule 15 of the joint rules of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

(b) Upon approval of an amendment pursuant to subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of this section, the sponsor of the amendment shall cause a copy of the signed approval to be provided electronically or by hand to a designated leader or staff member of the other party.

(c) Any member who offers an amendment, originating in the Senate which, if adopted, would reduce state revenues or increase state expenditures by a specified amount or which would involve a significant fiscal impact, shall make available to the President, President Pro Tempore, the majority leader of the Senate and the minority leader of the Senate at the time the amendment is offered, in addition to a fiscal note, a signed and typewritten explanation, of the decrease in expenditures or the source of the increased revenues required to balance the state budget.

(d) Whenever a bill or resolution is substantively amended, it may be referred to the legislative commissioners to be re-examined for the purposes set forth in Rule 13 of the joint rules of the Senate and the House of Representatives and to be reprinted as amended. The legislative commissioners' office shall complete its examination of any such bill within three calendar days of its receipt. It shall then be printed in the files with a file number and marked on the calendar starred for action on the session day on which it appears.

31. There shall be a consent calendar on which shall be entered such bills and resolutions as the majority and minority leaders of the respective house shall designate. All bills and resolutions starred for action on the consent calendar shall be passed on motion without discussion unless, at any time before voting has commenced, a member requests removal of a bill or resolution from the consent calendar in which case such bill or resolution shall be so removed.

32. The rules of parliamentary practice comprised in the 2010 edition of Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure shall govern the Senate whenever applicable and whenever they are not inconsistent with the standing rules and orders of the Senate or the joint rules of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

33. The rules of the Senate shall take precedence over the joint rules of the Senate and the House of Representatives or Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure in the event of conflict.

34. No person shall smoke in the chamber or the gallery. No person shall operate a wireless telephone or similar device in the chamber or gallery or use any such device to take photographs or to make video or sound recordings while the Senate is in session. The presiding officer shall enforce this rule.

35. (a) These rules shall not be altered, amended or suspended except by vote of at least two-thirds of the members present.

(b) Motions to suspend the rules shall be in order on any session day. Suspension of a rule shall be for a specified purpose; after the accomplishment of such purpose, the rule shall remain in force as before.

36. Every member present in the chamber when a question is put by the presiding officer shall vote, unless excused under Rule 15.

37. As used in these rules, "COVID-19" means the respiratory disease designated by the World Health Organization on February 11, 2020, as coronavirus 2019, and any related mutation thereof recognized by said organization as a communicable respiratory disease.

**INTRODUCTION OF SENATE JOINT RESOLUTIONS
SENATE JOINT RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED**

The following resolutions were introduced, read, and adopted.

S.J. No. 1 RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE JOINT RULES OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Senator Duff of the 25th explained the resolution and moved adoption.

On a voice vote the resolution was adopted.

The following is the resolution:

Resolved by this Assembly:

That the following shall be the Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives for the regular sessions of the General Assembly and for interim periods during the 2021-2022 legislative term.

MESSAGES BETWEEN CHAMBERS

1. Messages from one chamber to the other shall be delivered to the presiding officer.

JOINT CONVENTIONS

2. Joint conventions shall be held in the Hall of the House. Either chamber may request a convention stating the purposes thereof in its message. The President of the Senate shall preside. The President and the Speaker shall make reports to their respective chambers of the proceedings of the convention which shall be printed in the respective journals.

JOINT COMMITTEES

3. (a) *Designation of Committees*. There shall be twenty-two joint standing committees as provided in subsection (b) of this rule. There shall be two statutory committees as provided in subsection (c) of this rule. Committees shall consider all matters referred to them and report as required by these rules.

(b) *Standing Committees*. Each joint standing committee shall consist of not more than nine senators and not more than thirty-five representatives, except that the joint standing committees on Appropriations and Finance, Revenue and Bonding shall consist of not more than thirteen senators and not more than forty-five representatives, and the joint standing committee on Judiciary shall consist of not more than eleven senators and not more than thirty-five representatives. The joint standing committees shall be divided into Group A and Group B as follows:

GROUP A

(1) A committee on APPROPRIATIONS that shall have cognizance of all matters relating to appropriations and the operating budgets and all matters relating to state employees' salaries, benefits and retirement, teachers' retirement, veterans' pensions and collective bargaining agreements and arbitration awards for state employees. In addition, any bills or resolutions carrying or requiring appropriations, or creating or enlarging a state mandate to local governments, defined in subsection (a)(2) of section 2-32b of the general statutes, and favorably reported by any other committee, except the payment of claims by the state, shall be referred to the committee, unless such reference is dispensed with by at least a two-thirds vote of each chamber, provided the committee's consideration shall be limited to their fiscal aspects and appropriation provisions of such bills or resolutions and shall not extend to their other substantive provisions or purpose, except to the extent that such other provisions or purpose relate to the fiscal aspects and appropriation provisions of such bills or resolutions.

(2) A committee on EDUCATION that shall have cognizance of all matters relating to (A) the Department of Education and the Office of Early Childhood, and (B) school building projects, local and regional boards of education, the substantive law of collective bargaining covering teachers and professional employees of such boards, vocational rehabilitation, and libraries, including the State Library, museums and historical and cultural associations.

(3) A committee on ENVIRONMENT that shall have cognizance of all matters relating to (A) the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection concerning the preservation and protection of the air, water and other natural resources of the state and the Department of Agriculture, including farming, dairy products and domestic animals, and (B) conservation, recreation, pollution control, fisheries and game, state parks and forests, water resources and flood and erosion control, and the preservation and protection of the air, water and other natural resources of the state.

(4) A committee on FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING that shall have cognizance of all matters relating to (A) the Department of Revenue Services, and (B) finance, revenue, capital bonding and taxation. Any bill or resolution favorably reported by another committee relating to finance, revenue, capital bonding, taxation, employer contributions for unemployment compensation purposes, all matters relating to the Department of Revenue Services and the

revenue aspects of the Gaming Division within the Department of Consumer Protection shall be referred to the committee, provided the committee's consideration shall be limited to the financial provisions and purposes of such bill or resolution, such as finance, revenue, bonding, taxation and fees, and shall not extend to the other substantive provisions or purposes, except to the extent that such other provisions or purposes relate to the financial provisions of such bills or resolutions.

(5) A committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS that shall have cognizance of all matters relating to (A) (i) the Department of Administrative Services, including purchasing and central collections, but excluding personnel and labor relations, fire marshals, the fire safety code, the state building code and school building projects, (ii) the administrative functions of the Office of Governmental Accountability, including the office's personnel and employment policies and information technology, and (iii) the Freedom of Information Commission, the Office of State Ethics, the Citizen's Ethics Advisory Board and the State Elections Enforcement Commission, (B) state government organization and reorganization, structures and procedures, (C) leasing, construction, maintenance, purchase and sale, transfer or other disposition of state property and facilities, (D) state and federal relations, (E) interstate compacts, (F) compacts between the state and Indian tribes, (G) constitutional amendments, and (H) all matters relating to elections and election laws. Any bill favorably reported by another committee that requires a state agency to sell, transfer or otherwise dispose of any real property or interest in real property that is under the custody or control of such agency to any person or entity other than another state agency, or any resolution favorably reported by another committee that proposes a constitutional amendment shall be referred to the committee on Government Administration and Elections.

(6) A committee on JUDICIARY that shall have cognizance of all matters relating to (A) the Judicial Department, the Department of Correction and the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities, (B) courts, judicial procedures, criminal law, probate courts, probation, parole, wills, estates, adoption, divorce, bankruptcy, escheat, law libraries, deeds, mortgages, conveyancing, preservation of land records and other public documents, the law of business organizations, uniform laws, validations, authorizations to sue and to appeal, claims against the state, (C) all (i) judicial nominations, (ii) nominations of workers' compensation commissioners, and (iii) nominations of members of the Board of Pardons and Paroles, and (D) all bills carrying civil penalties that exceed the sum of, or that may exceed in the aggregate, five thousand dollars. Any bill favorably reported by another committee that carries a criminal penalty, other than an infraction, shall be referred to the committee, provided the committee's consideration shall be limited to the criminal penalties established in such bill and shall not extend to the other substantive provisions or purposes of such bill.

(7) A committee on PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT that shall have cognizance of all matters relating to local governments, housing, urban renewal, fire, sewer and metropolitan districts, home rule, planning and zoning, regional planning and development activities, the state plan of conservation and development and economic development programs impacting local governments.

(8) A committee on PUBLIC HEALTH that shall have cognizance of all matters relating to (A) the Department of Public Health, the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services and the Department of Developmental Services, and (B) health, including emergency medical services, all licensing boards within the Department of Public Health, nursing homes, pure foods and drugs, and controlled substances, including the treatment of substance abuse.

(9) A committee on TRANSPORTATION that shall have cognizance of all matters relating to (A) the Department of Transportation, the Office of the State Traffic Administration and the Department of Motor Vehicles, and (B) transportation, including highways and bridges, navigation, aeronautics, mass transit and railroads.

GROUP B

(10) A committee on BANKING that shall have cognizance of all matters relating to (A) the Department of Banking, and (B) banks, savings banks, bank and trust companies, savings and loan associations, credit unions, the supervision of the sale of securities, fraternal benefit societies and secured and unsecured lending.

(11) A committee on ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY that shall have cognizance of all matters relating to (A) (i) the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority, and (ii) the Department of

Energy and Environmental Protection concerning energy, energy policy planning and regulation, telecommunications, information systems and related technology, and (B) energy, energy policy planning and regulation, telecommunications, information systems and related technology.

(12) A committee on GENERAL LAW that shall have cognizance of all matters relating to (A) the Department of Consumer Protection, except legalized gambling, and (B) alcoholic beverages, fair trade and sales practices, consumer protection, mobile homes and occupational licensing, except licensing by the Department of Public Health.

(13) A committee on INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE that shall have cognizance of all matters relating to (A) the Insurance Department, and (B) insurance law and real estate law.

(14) A committee on LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES that shall have cognizance of all matters relating to (A) the Labor Department, (B) workers' compensation, unemployment compensation, conditions of employment, hours of labor, minimum wages, industrial safety, occupational health and safety, labor unions and labor disputes, and (C) conditions of employment of state and municipal employees and the substantive law of state and municipal employees' collective bargaining.

(15) A committee on HUMAN SERVICES that shall have cognizance of all matters relating to the Department of Social Services, including institutions under its jurisdiction, and the Department of Rehabilitation Services.

(16) A committee on PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY that shall have cognizance of all matters relating to (A) the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, and (B) civil preparedness and homeland security, state police, the state-wide organized crime investigative task force, municipal police training, fire marshals, the fire safety code, the state building code and legalized gambling.

(17) A committee on COMMERCE that shall have cognizance of all matters relating to the Department of Economic and Community Development and Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated.

(18) A committee on HIGHER EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT that shall have cognizance of all matters relating to (A) the Board of Regents for Higher Education and the Office of Higher Education, and (B) public and independent institutions of higher education, private occupational schools, post-secondary education, job training institutions and programs, apprenticeship training programs and adult job training programs offered to the public by any state agency or funded in whole or in part by the state.

(19) A committee on HOUSING that shall have cognizance of all matters relating to housing.

(20) A committee on AGING that shall have cognizance of all matters relating to senior citizens.

(21) A committee on CHILDREN that shall have cognizance of all matters relating to (A) the Department of Children and Families, including institutions under its jurisdiction, and (B) children.

(22) A committee on VETERANS' AFFAIRS that shall have cognizance of all matters relating to military and veterans' affairs, except veterans' pensions.

(c) *Statutory Committees.* In addition, there shall be:

(1) The committee on LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT that shall conduct the business affairs of the General Assembly. The committee shall be responsible for the operation of the General Assembly, coordination and supervision of committee work, improvement of legislative operations, deciding on matters of organization, procedures, facilities and working conditions of the General Assembly, compensation of employees of the legislative branch, and the facilitation of positive relationships with the federal government and other state governments. All bills and resolutions relating to such matters may be referred to the committee. The committee shall consist of (A) twenty members of the House who shall be (i) the Speaker, (ii) the deputy speakers, (iii) the majority leader, (iv) four members appointed by the Speaker, (v) three members appointed by the majority leader, (vi) the minority leader, (vii) two deputy minority leaders appointed by the minority leader, and (viii) five members appointed by the minority leader, and (B) thirteen members of the Senate who shall be (i) the President Pro Tempore, (ii) the majority leader, (iii) a deputy majority leader appointed by the majority leader, (iv) five members appointed by the President Pro Tempore, (v) the minority leader, (vi) an assistant minority leader appointed by the minority leader, and (vii) three members appointed by the minority leader. In matters of legislative

operations, the legislative commissioners and the clerks of each chamber shall serve as ex-officio, non-voting members of the committee. The committee shall be chaired by the President Pro Tempore and the Speaker. A majority of the membership shall constitute a quorum and all actions shall require the affirmative vote of a majority. At any meeting, if a committee member present of either chamber requests, a vote of the majority of the members present of each chamber shall be required for approval of a question.

(2) The committee on EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE NOMINATIONS that shall consist of (A) nineteen members of the House who shall be (i) the majority leader, or the majority leader's designee, (ii) the minority leader, or the minority leader's designee, (iii) ten members appointed by the Speaker, and (iv) seven members appointed by the minority leader, and (B) eight members of the Senate who shall be (i) the majority leader, or the majority leader's designee, (ii) the minority leader, or the minority leader's designee, (iii) three members appointed by the President Pro Tempore, and (iv) three members appointed by the minority leader. The chairpersons and ranking members of the committee or committees having cognizance of matters relating to the duties of a nominee for the position of a department head, as defined in section 4-5 of the general statutes, shall serve as ex-officio, non-voting members of the committee on executive and legislative nominations for the consideration of such nomination. All executive and legislative nominations requiring action of either or both chambers, except judicial nominations, nominations of workers' compensation commissioners and nominations of members of the Board of Pardons and Paroles, shall be referred to the committee on executive and legislative nominations.

(d) *Committee Appointments.* Appointments of committee members, except to fill a vacancy caused by death or incapacity or by resignation from the General Assembly or a committee of the General Assembly, shall be made on or before the fifth regular session day of the first year of the term and, except as otherwise provided in the rules of each chamber, shall be for the entire term for which the members were elected. Committee appointments of a member elected after the fifth regular session day of the first year of the term shall be made not later than five calendar days after the member takes the oath of office, and may be made, at the discretion of the appointing authority, to any committee.

Senate and House committees shall be appointed and organized in accordance with the rules of each chamber and members of the minority party shall be appointed on nomination of the minority leader of each chamber.

LEADERS ON COMMITTEES

4. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate, Speaker of the House, and majority and minority leaders of the Senate and the House shall be ex-officio members of all committees, with the right to be present at all meetings and to take part in deliberations but without the right to vote, except as to those committees to which they are appointed members.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND PROCEDURES

5. (a) *Scheduling.* Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b) of this rule and in Rule 15, chairpersons of committees shall jointly schedule meetings during periods when the General Assembly is in session as follows:

(1) Committees may meet on any day from January 6 through January 13 in 2021 and from February 9 through February 11 in 2022. The chairpersons of each committee may jointly call a meeting during said period in 2021 for the purpose of organization and to consider such other business as is deemed necessary.

(2) Beginning on January 14 in 2021 and on February 14 in 2022, and ending on the committee's deadline to report bills and resolutions in such year, as provided in Rule 15, Group A committees shall meet on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays only and Group B committees shall meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays only.

(3) Statutory committees, as described in subsection (c) of Rule 3, may meet on any day.

(4) Committees, except conference committees, may not meet during a session of either chamber without the consent of each chamber which is in session.

(5) (A) Only during a declaration of a public health or civil preparedness emergency related to COVID-19 by the Governor, or at any other time deemed necessary by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House for public health concerns related to COVID-19, committees shall conduct meetings only on a virtual platform approved by the President Pro

Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House. Meetings under this subdivision shall be conducted as follows:

- (i) Each member may only participate and vote at such meeting on such virtual platform;
- (ii) Such meeting shall be broadcast contemporaneously on television or on an Internet web site identified in the notice provided under subsection (f) of this rule for such meeting;
- (iii) If a technological issue prevents or otherwise limits the transaction of the business of the committee or the committee's ability to comply with these rules, prior to or during a meeting conducted on a virtual platform, the chairpersons of the committee may take whatever action they deem necessary, including, but not limited to, cancelling or rescheduling such meeting, if notice is provided in accordance with the provisions of subsection (f) of this rule for any such meeting that is cancelled or rescheduled;
- (iv) Not more than a total of ten such meetings or hearings conducted on a virtual platform pursuant to Rule 6(a)(3), or any combination thereof, may be scheduled for or conducted at the same time.

(B) As used in these rules, "COVID-19" means the respiratory disease designated by the World Health Organization on February 11, 2020, as coronavirus 2019, and any related mutation thereof recognized by said organization as a communicable respiratory disease.

(b) ***Exceptions to Scheduling Requirements.***

(1) The committees on Appropriations and Finance, Revenue and Bonding may meet on any day. The committee on Judiciary may meet on any day after March 26 in 2021 and after March 21 in 2022. The committee on Government Administration and Elections may meet on any day after March 31 in 2021 and after March 30 in 2022 to raise, hear or report favorably or unfavorably a conveyance bill.

(2) Any committee may meet on any day, provided a record is made certifying a significant need for the meeting by the Speaker of the House and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, or their designees.

(3) If, in any week, the designated meeting day of a committee falls on a holiday or on a day when the State Capitol or Legislative Office Building is officially closed, the committee may meet on another day, not so designated, within seven calendar days before or after such day, provided a record is made certifying the need for the meeting by one of the following: The President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House, the majority leader of the Senate or the majority leader of the House and all reasonable efforts have been made to notify each member of the committee of the meeting.

(c) ***Conduct of Meetings.*** A chairperson or a vice chairperson shall convene all meetings. If a meeting, other than a meeting on the day of the committee's deadline to report bills and resolutions, as provided in Rule 15, is not so convened within fifteen minutes following its scheduled starting time, the meeting shall be deemed cancelled. In all meetings of joint committees, and at all public hearings held by such committees, the Senate and House chairpersons shall mutually agree as to who shall preside and in the absence of agreement the Senate chairperson and the House chairperson shall alternately preside. A chairperson shall recognize each member wishing to be heard prior to ordering the vote on the final question of a favorable or unfavorable report, a favorable change of reference or the boxing of a bill or resolution. All questions of order, hearings and other proceedings including the raising of bills or resolutions and questions relating to evidence shall be determined by a majority of votes but, if the majority of the committee members present of either chamber so request, the committee members of each chamber shall separately determine all questions. A vote of a committee may be reconsidered only at the next regular meeting of the committee, except that any vote on the day of the committee's deadline to report bills and resolutions as provided in Rule 15, may be reconsidered at the same meeting not later than 5:00 p.m.

In the case of a meeting that is conducted on a virtual platform: (1) No member may cast a vote on any question unless such member is visible to the committee clerk on such virtual platform when casting his or her vote; (2) a committee member may offer an oral amendment to any bill or resolution during the discussion on the final question of a favorable report of such bill or resolution; (3) if an amendment to a bill or resolution is offered by a committee member during the discussion on the final question of a favorable report, and such amendment has been prepared by the Legislative Commissioners' Office and assigned an LCO number by that office, the

committee clerk shall distribute such amendment to all committee members prior to the ordering of a vote on such amendment; and (4) the chairperson presiding over the meeting shall, upon a request of a committee member, hold a roll call vote on an amendment offered to a bill or resolution during the discussion on the final question of a favorable report.

(d) **Final Action.** Except as otherwise provided, at each committee meeting, the vote on the final question of a favorable or unfavorable report, a favorable change of reference or the boxing of a bill or resolution shall be recorded to show the names of the members voting yea and the members voting nay. No motion to dispense with the recording of the names of the members voting yea and the members voting nay shall be entertained and no bill or resolution shall be reported to either chamber unless the names of the members voting yea and the members voting nay have been recorded and a record of the names of the members voting yea and the members voting nay has been attached to the bill or resolution submitted to the Legislative Commissioners' Office as provided in Rule 13, except during a declaration of a public health or civil preparedness emergency related to COVID-19 by the Governor, or at any other time deemed necessary by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House for public health concerns related to COVID-19, it is not required that such record be attached to the bill or resolution for purposes of submission to the Legislative Commissioners' Office, provided such record is submitted to the Legislative Commissioners' Office as provided in Rules 13 and 15(a). A copy of the voting record shall be sent to the clerk of the appropriate chamber, by the Legislative Commissioners' Office, with the favorably or unfavorably reported bill or resolution and retained by the clerks.

(e) **Proxies.** No member may vote by proxy and no committee shall record a vote cast by any member as a proxy for any other member.

(f) **Notice Requirements.** (1) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, notice of the date, time and place of committee meetings during periods when the General Assembly is in session shall be (A) given to the clerk of each chamber at least one day in advance of the meeting, and (B) when practicable, (i) given to the Legislative Bulletin clerk for inclusion in the next Legislative Bulletin, and (ii) posted on the General Assembly's web site. The committee clerks shall post notice of the meetings in a conspicuous place in or near their respective committee offices.

(2) In the case of a committee meeting conducted on a virtual platform, notice of the date, time and manner of committee meetings during periods when the General Assembly is in session shall be (A) given to the clerk of each chamber not later than 6:00 p.m. of the day before the meeting, (B) posted on the General Assembly's web site not later than 6:00 p.m. of the day before the meeting, and (C) when practicable, given to the Legislative Bulletin clerk for inclusion in the next Legislative Bulletin. The committee clerk shall not be required to post such notice in a conspicuous place in or near the committee office or at the location of the scheduled hearing. The notice provided to committee members and staff shall include the Internet web site address for participation at such meeting, and the notice provided to members of the public shall include the Internet web site address or television channel in which such meeting will be broadcast.

(g) **Exception to Notice Requirements.** A meeting may be held on less than one calendar day's notice, provided announcement of the meeting is made from the floor of the Senate or House during a session and both chairpersons have approved the date, time, place and agenda for the meeting. Such approval shall not be unreasonably withheld. If the announcement cannot be made in one or both chambers because no regular session is being held on that day, an emergency meeting may still be held, provided a record is made certifying the need for the meeting by one of the following: The President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House, the majority leader of the Senate or the majority leader of the House, and all reasonable efforts have been made to notify each member of the committee of the meeting.

(h) **Agendas.** An agenda, approved by both chairpersons, shall be prepared for each meeting, including meetings conducted on a virtual platform, and made available at least one day before the meeting, on the General Assembly web site, except that for a meeting (1) held under subsection (g) of this rule, the agenda shall be prepared and made available prior to the meeting, or (2) conducted on a virtual platform, the agenda shall be posted on the General Assembly web site not later than 6:00 p.m. of the day before such meeting. Items not on the agenda may be considered upon a majority vote of the committee members present.

(i) *Substitute Language.* A committee clerk shall, as soon as practicable, post on the committee's web site any written substitute language offered at a committee meeting by a committee member that has been prepared by the Legislative Commissioners' Office and assigned an LCO number by that office and reported favorably without any changes at such committee meeting.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

6. (a) *Scheduling.*

(1) A committee may hold subject matter public hearings on any subject and on specified proposed bills and proposed resolutions, and on committee and raised bills and resolutions, during sessions, except that subject matter public hearings on proposed bills and proposed resolutions shall be held not later than twenty-one calendar days in 2021 and fourteen calendar days in 2022 before the committee's reporting out date designated in the schedule shown in Rule 15.

(2) Public hearings shall be scheduled for the convenience of the public and in accordance with the schedule for committee meetings of that committee as provided in Rule 5.

(3) Only during a declaration of a public health or civil preparedness emergency related to COVID-19 by the Governor, or at any other time deemed necessary by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House for public health concerns related to COVID-19, committees shall conduct public hearings only on a virtual platform approved by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, and each member may only participate in such hearing on such virtual platform. All such hearings shall be broadcast contemporaneously on television or on an Internet web site identified in the notice of such meeting provided pursuant to subsection (b) of this rule. Not more than a total of ten such hearings or meetings conducted on a virtual platform pursuant to Rule 5(a)(5), or any combination thereof, may be scheduled for or conducted at the same time.

(4) In the event of a technological issue that is preventing or otherwise limiting the transaction of the business of the committee or the committee's ability to comply with this rule, prior to or during a public hearing conducted on a virtual platform, the chairpersons of the committee may take whatever action they deem necessary, including but not limited to, recessing such hearing in accordance with the provisions of subsection (c)(5) of this rule, or cancelling and rescheduling such public hearing in accordance with the provisions of subsection (a)(5)(D) of this rule.

(5) In the event of inclement weather on the day on which a committee has scheduled a public hearing:

(A) If the State Capitol and Legislative Office Building have been officially closed due to inclement weather:

(i) If the hearing has been convened prior to the official closing, the committee may continue the hearing or may recess the hearing in accordance with the provisions of subsection (c)(5) of this rule.

(ii) If the hearing has not been convened prior to the official closing, the hearing shall be deemed cancelled and shall be rescheduled in accordance with the provisions of subsection (a)(5)(D) of this rule.

(B) If the State Capitol and Legislative Office Building have not been officially closed:

(i) If the hearing has been convened, the committee may recess the hearing in accordance with the provisions of subsection (c)(5) of this rule.

(ii) If the hearing has not yet been convened, the chairpersons of the committee may cancel the hearing if, in their opinion, the seriousness of the weather conditions is likely to reduce substantially the attendance at the hearing by members of the public or members of the committee.

(C) If the State Capitol and Legislative Office Building have not been officially closed, the committee clerk shall give notice of cancellation to the clerk of each chamber and shall post notice of the cancellation in a conspicuous place in or near the committee office, at the location of the scheduled hearing and on the General Assembly web site, except if the hearing is being conducted on a virtual platform the committee clerk shall not be required to post notice of the cancellation in a conspicuous place in or near the committee office or at the location of the scheduled hearing.

(D) The chairpersons shall reschedule a cancelled hearing on the earliest feasible date that is on a day specified for that committee in Rule 5(a) or 5(b) or on any other day with the approval of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House, the majority leader of the Senate or the majority leader of the House, provided a record is made of such approval. The

committee clerk shall give notice of the rescheduled hearing to the clerk of each chamber and, when practicable, to the Legislative Bulletin clerk for inclusion in the next Legislative Bulletin and shall post notice of the rescheduled hearing in a conspicuous place in or near that committee office and on the General Assembly web site. The notice of the rescheduled hearing shall include the date, time, place, manner and subject matter of the rescheduled hearing, together with a list of the numbers and titles of each bill and resolution to be considered, which subject matter and list shall be identical to the subject matter and list in the notice of the original hearing. The notice of the rescheduled hearing is not subject to subsection (b) of this rule if the notice of the original hearing complied with said subsection (b).

(6) Committees may group bills and resolutions by subject matter and schedule hearings so that similar bills and resolutions are heard at the same time.

(b) **Notice Requirements.** (1) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, notice of the date, time, place and subject matter of each public hearing during periods when the General Assembly is in session, together with a list of the numbers and titles of each bill and resolution to be considered, shall be published in the Legislative Bulletin at least five calendar days in advance of the hearing. In no event shall a bill or resolution be listed for a hearing unless copies of the bill or resolution have been made in accordance with section 2-23 of the general statutes, and the original bill or resolution has been returned from the printer and is in the possession of the committee.

(2) In the case of a public hearing conducted on a virtual platform, notice of the date, time, manner and subject matter of each such public hearing during periods when the General Assembly is in session, together with (A) a list of the numbers and titles of each bill and resolution to be considered, (B) the Internet web site address for testifying at such hearing, (C) the Internet web site address or television channel in which such meeting will be broadcast, and (D) information relating to how members of the public are to submit the names of persons who wish to testify at such hearing to the committee clerk, shall be published in the Legislative Bulletin at least five calendar days in advance of the hearing and posted on the General Assembly web site at least five calendar days in advance of the hearing. For purposes of this rule, a bill or resolution shall be considered in the possession of the committee for purposes of listing such bill or resolution for a hearing upon (i) referral of such bill or resolution by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House to the committee, and (ii) posting of such bill or resolution on the General Assembly web site.

(3) For the purpose of meeting the hearing requirements under this subsection, the day of publication in the Legislative Bulletin during the time the General Assembly is in session and the day of the hearing shall both be counted as full days.

(c) **Conduct of Hearings.**

(1) **Convening and Procedures.** A chairperson or a vice chairperson shall convene all hearings. If a hearing is not so convened within fifteen minutes following its scheduled starting time, any member of the committee may convene the hearing. The time of commencement of the public hearing shall be designated in the published notice. The order of testimony of the witnesses and the length of time that each witness may testify shall be determined by the presiding chairperson who shall give due regard for the convenience of the public. Members of the public who wish to testify at a public hearing that is not being conducted on a virtual platform, (A) may place their names on a list, which shall be made available at a time and place to be determined by the chairpersons, and (B) shall either (i) place their own name on the list, if they wish to testify, or (ii) place the name of one other person on the list who will testify. Members of the public placing the name of another person on the list shall also place their own name on the list next to the name of the person who will testify. The placement of another person's name on the list by a person who receives a fee solely for that service shall be ineffective and the person so named shall not be permitted to testify.

In the case of a public hearing conducted on a virtual platform, members of the public may submit the names of persons who wish to testify at such public hearing to the committee clerk, in a manner prescribed by the chairpersons of the committee and indicated in the notice for such public hearing, and such names shall be included in a lottery that will determine the order of testimony of witnesses during the public portion of the hearing.

(2) **Testimony by Public Officials.** A committee may permit legislators who are not members of the committee, representatives of state agencies and municipal chief elected officials testifying in their official capacity to testify during but not beyond the first hour of a public hearing. The public portion of the hearing shall be uninterrupted by testimony from a legislator, a representative of a state agency or a municipal chief elected official. If any legislators, representatives of state agencies or municipal chief elected officials are unable to testify during the first hour, they may testify at the end of the hearing after all members of the public wishing to testify have been heard.

(3) **Written Testimony.** Legislators, representatives of state agencies, municipal chief elected officials and members of the public may submit to the committee written testimony on a bill or resolution or subject matter in person, by mail or facsimile transmission, or electronically at any time, except no such written testimony may be submitted in person when the State Capitol and Legislative Office Building have been officially closed to the public. Any such written testimony may be included by the committee in the transcript of the hearing. If the written testimony is not included in the transcript, it shall be attached to the transcript. Committee chairpersons should encourage a witness to submit a written statement and confine oral testimony to a summary of that statement, but the full written statement shall be included in or attached to the transcript of the hearing.

(4) **Notifying Other Committees.** Each bill or resolution referred by one committee to another with a favorable report shall be accompanied by a notation of the date or dates on which public hearings were held by the first committee. The chairpersons of any committee other than Appropriations or Finance, Revenue and Bonding to which any bill or resolution calling for an appropriation or a bond issue is referred shall notify the chairpersons of the committee on Appropriations or Finance, Revenue and Bonding of the date, time and place of the hearing thereon.

(5) **Recessing.** The committee may recess any public hearing to a date, time, place and manner specified at the time of the recess, which shall be on a day specified for that committee in Rule 5(a) or 5(b) or on any other day with the approval of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House, the majority leader of the Senate or the majority leader of the House, provided a record is made of such approval. The committee clerk shall give notice of any hearing recessed to another date to the clerk of each chamber and, when practicable, to the Legislative Bulletin clerk for inclusion in the next Legislative Bulletin that is posted on the General Assembly web site, and shall post notice of the recessed hearing in a conspicuous place in or near that committee office, except if the hearing is being conducted on a virtual platform the committee clerk shall not be required to post notice of the recessed hearing in a conspicuous place in or near the committee office.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS GENERALLY

7. (a) **Definitions.** As used in these rules:

(1) "Proposed bill" means a bill drafted in informal, non-statutory language setting forth the substance of a proposal;

(2) "Proposed resolution" means a resolution drafted in informal, non-statutory language setting forth the substance of a proposal;

(3) "Committee bill" means a bill drafted in formal statutory language that incorporates the principles expressed in a proposed bill or proposed bills;

(4) "Committee resolution" means a resolution drafted in formal statutory language that incorporates the principles expressed in a proposed resolution or proposed resolutions;

(5) "Raised bill" means an original bill drafted in formal statutory language raised by a committee without reference to a proposed bill or proposed bills;

(6) "Raised resolution" means an original resolution drafted in formal statutory language raised by a committee without reference to a proposed resolution or proposed resolutions;

(7) "Emergency certified bill" means a bill drafted in formal statutory language that is certified by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House to be of an emergency nature, pursuant to subsection (c) of Rule 9;

(8) "Governor's bill" means a bill drafted in formal statutory language that accompanies the Governor's budget or other message; and

(9) "Conveyance bill" means any committee bill, raised bill, emergency certified bill or Governor's bill drafted in formal language that requires a state agency to sell, transfer or otherwise

dispose of any real property or interest in real property that is under the custody or control of such agency to any person or entity other than another state agency.

(b) **Numbering.** Senate bills shall be numbered from 1 to 5000, House bills shall be numbered from 5001 to 9999 and resolutions shall be numbered starting with 1 in each chamber.

(c) **Preparation and Alteration.** Each proposed bill, proposed resolution, committee bill, raised bill, committee resolution, raised resolution, emergency certified bill and Governor's bill shall be prepared by the Legislative Commissioners' Office. No such bill or resolution shall be altered after such bill or resolution has been filed, except by the legislative commissioners, in accordance with the provisions of Rule 13.

(d) **Form and Format.** (1) Each proposed bill, proposed resolution, committee bill, committee resolution, raised bill, raised resolution, emergency certified bill and Governor's bill shall be printed without interlineation or erasure. All such bills and resolutions shall be printed on white-colored and yellow-colored paper and filed with the clerk of the chamber of the introducer in the form required by these rules. Each copy of such bill or resolution shall include the number of such bill or resolution, the session of introduction, the introducer or introducers of such bill or resolution, and, if applicable, the committee to which it was referred. In the case of a committee bill or committee resolution, each copy of such committee bill or committee resolution shall also include the names of any co-sponsors.

(2) Each committee bill, raised bill, emergency certified bill or Governor's bill amending a statute or special act shall set forth in full the section or subsection of the statute or the special act to be amended. Text to be deleted or repealed shall be surrounded by brackets or overstricken so that the deleted or repealed text remains readable, and new text shall be indicated by capitalization, underlining or italics. In the case of a section or subsection not amending an existing section of the general statutes but intended to be part of the general statutes, the section or subsection shall be preceded by the word (NEW).

(e) **Statement of Purpose.** At the conclusion of each proposed bill, proposed resolution, committee bill and raised bill there shall be a statement of its purpose in not more than one hundred fifty words, to be printed under the caption "STATEMENT OF PURPOSE". The statement of purpose shall not be a part of such bill or resolution for consideration and enactment into law.

(f) **Sponsors.** (1) Any member of the General Assembly may co-sponsor (A) a proposed bill or proposed resolution by requesting the Legislative Commissioners' Office, in writing, to add such member's name to such proposed bill or proposed resolution in its possession, or (B) a proposed bill, proposed resolution, committee bill, committee resolution, raised bill, raised resolution, emergency certified bill or Governor's bill by requesting the clerk of the chamber in which such bill or resolution has been filed, in writing, to add such member's name as a co-sponsor of such bill or resolution, provided such request is made not later than the date of the signing of such bill, or the deadline for the signing of such bill, by the Governor, whichever is earlier, or the date of the adoption of such resolution.

(2) A member of the General Assembly may request the clerk of the chamber in which a proposed bill, proposed resolution, committee bill, committee resolution, raised bill, raised resolution, emergency certified bill or Governor's bill was filed, in writing, to remove such member's name as an introducer or a co-sponsor of such bill or resolution, provided such request is made not later than the time specified in subsection (f)(1)(B) of this rule. The clerk shall notify the Legislative Commissioners' Office of such removal and the member's name shall be removed from the legislative database for such bill or resolution.

(g) **Clerks' Certified Copies.** The clerk of each chamber shall certify and keep on file in the clerk's office at all times a duplicate copy of each proposed bill, proposed resolution, committee bill, committee resolution, raised bill and raised resolution. The certified duplicate copy shall be made on yellow-colored paper of the same size and format as the original. If the original proposed bill, proposed resolution, committee bill, committee resolution, raised bill and raised resolution cannot be located, a copy of the certified duplicate copy of such bill or resolution shall be made by the clerk and used in lieu of such original. The clerk shall make a notation on the original of the certified duplicate copy of all action taken on the original proposed bill, proposed resolution, committee bill, committee resolution, raised bill and raised resolution.

During a declaration of a public health or civil preparedness emergency related to COVID-19 by the Governor, or at any other time deemed necessary by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House for public health concerns related to COVID-19, the clerk may certify and keep on file in the clerk's office, in accordance with the provisions of this subsection, a duplicate copy of each proposed bill, proposed resolution, committee bill, committee resolution, raised bill and raised resolution.

(h) **Copies.** (1) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, sufficient copies of proposed bills, proposed resolutions, committee bills, committee resolutions, raised bills, raised resolutions and Governor's bills shall be prepared, in accordance with section 2-23 of the general statutes, for use by the General Assembly and the public and shall be available in the legislative bill room.

(2) During a declaration of a public health or civil preparedness emergency related to COVID-19 by the Governor, or at any other time deemed necessary by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House for public health concerns related to COVID-19, copies of proposed bills, proposed resolutions, committee bills, committee resolutions, raised bills, raised resolutions and Governor's bills shall be prepared for use by the General Assembly and shall be made available on the General Assembly web site.

(i) **Types of Bills and Resolutions in 2022 Session.** In the 2022 session, only the following bills and resolutions may be introduced: Those (1) relating to budgetary, revenue and financial matters, (2) raised by committees of the General Assembly, and (3) relating to matters certified in writing by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House to be of an emergency nature.

PROPOSED BILLS AND PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS

8. (a) **Introduction by Members. Deadline.** Members of the General Assembly may introduce proposed bills or proposed resolutions for consideration by the joint standing committees and the Legislative Management committee. The deadline for members of the General Assembly to submit a request to the Legislative Commissioners' Office to draft a proposed bill or proposed resolution shall be January 22, 2021, for the 2021 session and on February 10, 2022, for the 2022 session, in each session at 5:00 p.m. or at an hour the presiding officer of each chamber designates. The chamber of origin for a proposed bill or proposed resolution shall be the chamber of the first introducer of such proposed bill or proposed resolution.

(b) **Preparation.** At the request of any member of the General Assembly, the Legislative Commissioners' Office shall prepare a proposed bill or proposed resolution and return the proposed bill or proposed resolution to the member who submitted the request or file the proposed bill or proposed resolution with the clerk of the appropriate chamber not later than ten days after the receipt of the request, unless the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House consent, in writing, to a request by a legislative commissioner for an extension of time.

(c) **Suggested Committee Referral.** The Legislative Commissioners' Office shall make a notation as to the suggested committee reference for each proposed bill and proposed resolution based on its subject matter. The clerk of the appropriate chamber shall, on introduction of each such proposed bill or proposed resolution, make a tentative reference for the President Pro Tempore of the Senate or the Speaker of the House.

(d) **Receipt by Clerk; Initial Reference to Committee.** The clerk of the Senate or House shall receive each proposed bill and proposed resolution and shall cause copies to be prepared in accordance with subsection (h) of Rule 7. During a declaration of a public health or civil preparedness emergency related to COVID-19 by the Governor, no proposed bill or proposed resolution shall be invalid for lack of a signature of the member introducing such proposed bill or proposed resolution. After copies of the proposed bill or proposed resolution have been made, the proposed bill or proposed resolution shall receive its first reading as set forth in Rule 16. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate or the Speaker of the House shall refer the proposed bill or proposed resolution to the appropriate joint standing committee or the Legislative Management committee and then send such proposed bill or proposed resolution to the other chamber for concurring reference. The original of the proposed bill or proposed resolution shall be delivered forthwith to the clerk of the appropriate committee.

During a declaration of a public health or civil preparedness emergency related to COVID-19 by the Governor, or at any other time deemed necessary by the President Pro Tempore of the

Senate and the Speaker of the House for public health concerns related to COVID-19, a proposed bill shall be considered in the possession of the committee upon (1) referral of such proposed bill by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House to the committee under this subsection, and (2) posting of such bill or resolution on the General Assembly web site.

COMMITTEE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS, RAISED BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS,
EMERGENCY CERTIFIED BILLS AND GOVERNOR'S BILLS

9. (a) *Committee Bills and Committee Resolutions.*

(1) **Introduction.** Committee bills and committee resolutions may be introduced only by committees. A committee, upon receiving the proposed bills or proposed resolutions referred to it pursuant to Rule 8, may separate them into subject categories and may vote to have committee bills or resolutions on the subjects prepared by the Legislative Commissioners' Office. Each committee bill and committee resolution shall be (A) identified as a committee bill or committee resolution, (B) endorsed with the signature of each chairperson of the committee, except (i) such chairperson may permit the vice chairperson of the same chamber to sign any such bill or resolution, and (ii) during a declaration of a public health or civil preparedness emergency related to COVID-19 by the Governor, or at any other time deemed necessary by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House for public health concerns related to COVID-19, a signature for each committee bill and committee resolution shall not be required, provided each chairperson of the committee electronically approves each committee bill and committee resolution, or, in the event a chairperson of the committee is incapacitated, the vice chairperson of the committee, (C) filed with the clerk of the appropriate chamber, and (D) assigned a number in accordance with the provisions of subdivision (3) of this subsection.

During a declaration of a public health or civil preparedness emergency related to COVID-19 by the Governor, or at any other time deemed necessary by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House for public health concerns related to COVID-19, a committee bill or committee resolution shall be considered in the possession of the committee upon (i) referral of such committee bill or committee resolution by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House to the committee after such committee bill or committee resolution has been filed and assigned a number under this subdivision, and (ii) posting of such bill or resolution on the General Assembly web site.

(2) **Deadlines.**

(A) **Initial Committee Action.** The deadline for committees to vote (i) to reserve proposed bills and proposed resolutions for subject matter public hearings under Rule 6, or (ii) to have the Legislative Commissioners' Office prepare committee bills and committee resolutions shall be 5:00 p.m. on the following dates in 2021:

February 9	Aging Banking Housing Children Veterans' Affairs
February 11	Energy and Technology Higher Education and Employment Advancement Insurance and Real Estate General Law Public Safety and Security
February 17	Education Environment Planning and Development Public Health Transportation
February 18	Labor and Public Employees Legislative Management Commerce Human Services
February 24	Government Administration & Elections Judiciary

Finance, Revenue and Bonding
Appropriations

In 2022, such deadline shall be 5:00 p.m. on February 25 for the committees in Group A and on February 24 for the committees in Group B and the Legislative Management committee.

(B) **Committee Action on Bills and Resolutions Reserved for Subject Matter Public Hearings.** The deadline for committees to vote to have the Legislative Commissioners' Office prepare committee bills and committee resolutions based on proposed bills or proposed resolutions that have been reserved for subject matter public hearings under subparagraph (A) of this subdivision and on which subject matter public hearings have been held under Rule 6 shall be 5:00 p.m. on the seventeenth calendar day in 2021 and the tenth calendar day in 2022 prior to the committee's deadline to report bills and resolutions in such year, as provided in Rule 15.

(3) **Numbering.** Each committee bill and committee resolution shall have the same number and chamber of origin as the proposed bill or proposed resolution on which it is based. Such number and chamber of origin shall be used in any reference to such proposed bill, proposed resolution, committee bill or committee resolution. When a committee bill is based on two or more proposed bills, or a committee resolution is based on two or more proposed resolutions, the members of the committee shall designate the proposed bill or proposed resolution number to be used on the committee bill or committee resolution. The numbers of any other proposed bills or proposed resolutions that the committee bill or committee resolution is based on shall be listed at the end of the committee bill or committee resolution with the names of the introducers and co-sponsors. The number of any committee bill or committee resolution based on proposed bills or proposed resolutions on which subject matter public hearings have been held under Rule 6 shall be determined by the committee in the same manner as provided in this subdivision.

(b) **Raised Bills and Raised Resolutions.**

(1) **Introduction.** Raised bills and raised resolutions may be introduced only by committees. A committee may vote to raise bills and resolutions and have such raised bills or raised resolutions prepared by the Legislative Commissioners' Office. Each raised bill and raised resolution shall be (A) identified as a raised bill or raised resolution, (B) endorsed with the signature of each chairperson of the committee, except (i) such chairperson may permit the vice chairperson of the same chamber to sign any such bill or resolution, and (ii) during a declaration of a public health or civil preparedness emergency related to COVID-19 by the Governor, or at any other time deemed necessary by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House for public health concerns related to COVID-19, a signature for each raised bill and raised resolution shall not be required provided each chairperson of the committee electronically approves each raised bill and raised resolution, or, in the event a chairperson of the committee is incapacitated, the vice chairperson of the committee, (C) filed with the clerk of the appropriate chamber, and (D) assigned a number by such clerk.

During a declaration of a public health or civil preparedness emergency related to COVID-19 by the Governor, or at any other time deemed necessary by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House for public health concerns related to COVID-19, a raised bill or raised resolution shall be considered in the possession of the committee upon (i) referral of such raised bill or raised resolution by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House to the committee after such raised bill or raised resolution has been filed and assigned a number under this subdivision, and (ii) posting of such bill or resolution on the General Assembly web site.

(2) **Deadline. Exceptions.** (A) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (B) of this subdivision, the deadline for committees to vote to have the Legislative Commissioners' Office prepare raised bills and raised resolutions shall be, (i) in 2021, (I) 5:00 p.m. on February 17 for the committees in Group A, and (II) 5:00 p.m. on February 16 for the committees in Group B and the Legislative Management committee, and (ii) in 2022, (I) 5:00 p.m. on February 25 for the committees in Group A, and (II) 5:00 p.m. on February 24 for the committees in Group B and the Legislative Management committee.

(B) The following may be raised at any time: (i) Bills or resolutions to provide for the current expenses of government, (ii) emergency certified bills or resolutions the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House certify in writing to be, in their opinion, of an emergency

nature, (iii) bills or resolutions the Governor requests in a special message addressed to the General Assembly, which message sets forth the emergency or necessity requiring such bills or resolutions, and (iv) the legislative commissioners' revisor's bill.

(c) **Emergency Certified Bills.** Emergency certified bills may be introduced by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House. Such bills shall be certified by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House to be of an emergency nature. Each emergency certified bill shall be identified simply as a bill, filed with the clerk of the appropriate chamber, and assigned a number by such clerk.

(d) **Governor's Bills.**

(1) **Introduction.** Any fully drafted bill accompanying the Governor's budget or other message may be introduced by the legislative leaders of the Governor's party in the Senate and the House, provided one copy of each bill is supplied by the Governor to the legislative leaders of both parties. Each bill accompanying the Governor's budget or other message shall be identified as a Governor's bill, filed with the clerk of the appropriate chamber, and assigned a number by such clerk.

(2) **Suggested Committee Referral; Receipt by Clerk; Initial Reference to Committee.** The Legislative Commissioners' Office shall make a notation as to the suggested committee reference for each Governor's bill based on its subject matter. The clerk of the appropriate chamber shall, on introduction of each such Governor's bill, make a tentative reference for the President Pro Tempore of the Senate or the Speaker of the House. The clerk of the Senate or House shall receive each Governor's bill.

During a declaration of a public health or civil preparedness emergency related to COVID-19 by the Governor, or at any other time deemed necessary by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House for public health concerns related to COVID-19, a Governor's bill shall be considered in the possession of the committee upon (A) referral of such Governor's bill by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House to the committee, and (B) posting of such bill or resolution on the General Assembly web site.

(e) **Conveyance Bills.**

(1) The committee on Government Administration and Elections may raise a conveyance bill on or before May 12 in 2021 and April 6 in 2022.

(2) A chamber may not pass a conveyance bill unless the sale, transfer or other disposition of real property, or interest in real property, under the custody or control of a state agency, that is the subject of such conveyance bill has received a public hearing in accordance with the provisions of Rule 6.

(3) No conveyance bill that requires the sale, transfer or disposition of real property or an interest in real property that is under the custody or control of the Department of Agriculture or the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, or a successor agency of either department, shall be passed by either chamber without a yea vote of at least two-thirds of the total membership of the chamber.

SUBSTITUTE BILLS OR RESOLUTIONS

10. A bill or resolution redrafted with a favorable report by a committee shall be reported as a substitute bill or resolution.

Any substitute bill or resolution reported favorably shall be printed on white-colored and yellow-colored paper and filed with the clerk of the chamber where the bill or resolution originated. The yellow-colored copy shall be certified by the clerk and shall be kept at all times in the clerk's office. If the original bill or resolution cannot be located, a copy of the certified copy shall be made by the clerk and used in lieu of the original. The clerk shall make a notation on the certified copy of all action taken on the original.

PETITION FOR PREPARATION OF BILLS OR RESOLUTIONS

11. Not later than 5:00 p.m. on the seventh calendar day after the deadline of a committee to request the drafting of a committee bill or resolution, set forth in Rule 9, any member of the General Assembly may present to the clerk of the member's chamber, who shall present the same to the Legislative Commissioners' Office, a written petition requesting preparation of a bill or resolution based on a proposed bill or proposed resolution, introduced or co-sponsored by such member and previously referred to such committee, unless the proposed bill or resolution has been scheduled for a subject matter public hearing to be held after the committee's deadline to request a

committee bill or resolution, in which case the petition may be presented not later than 5:00 p.m. on the seventh calendar day before the committee's reporting out date designated in the schedule shown in Rule 15. The petition shall be signed in the original by at least fifty-one members of the House if a House petition and by at least twelve members of the Senate if a Senate petition. The Legislative Commissioners' Office shall prepare the requested bill or resolution and forward it to the clerk of the chamber of origin for processing and referral to the appropriate committee which shall hold a public hearing on the bill or resolution, except that if the committee has already held a subject matter public hearing on the bill or resolution no further public hearing shall be required.

AMENDMENTS

12. All amendments to any bill or resolution in the Senate or House shall be prepared by the Legislative Commissioners' Office. An original of each amendment to be offered and a copy of such amendment shall be printed. The clerk of the appropriate chamber shall certify the copy of each amendment and keep such certified copy in such clerk's office at all times.

LEGISLATIVE COMMISSIONERS'

PROCESS AFTER COMMITTEE ACTION

13. (a) **Receipt.** (1) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, when a committee reports a bill or resolution favorably it shall be submitted forthwith to the Legislative Commissioners' Office. The Legislative Commissioners' Office shall immediately enter the receipt of the bill or resolution in the legislative database and notify the Office of Fiscal Analysis and the Office of Legislative Research of the bill or resolution number and the committee's action.

(2) During a declaration of a public health or civil preparedness emergency related to COVID-19 by the Governor, or at any other time deemed necessary by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House for public health concerns related to COVID-19, when a committee reports a bill or resolution favorably only an electronic record of the names of the members voting yea and the members voting nay for the bill or resolution shall be required to be submitted to the Legislative Commissioners' Office. The Legislative Commissioners' Office shall immediately enter the receipt of such record of the names of the members voting yea and the members voting nay in the legislative database and notify the Office of Fiscal Analysis and the Office of Legislative Research of the bill or resolution number and the committee's action.

(b) **Examination and Correction.** The legislative commissioners shall examine the bill or resolution and make any correction therein as may be necessary for the purpose of avoiding repetition and unconstitutional provisions, and of ensuring accuracy in the text and references, clearness and conciseness in the phraseology and consistency with existing statutes. Whenever the legislative commissioners make any changes in a bill or resolution, other than corrections of spelling, grammar, punctuation or typographical errors the correction of which in no way alters the meaning, they shall prepare a statement which describes each change, where it was made and explicitly why they made the change. This statement shall be entered into the legislative database and printed with the file copy of the bill or resolution and shall bear the same file number as the bill or resolution.

(c) **Deadline.** Unless the President Pro Tempore and the Speaker consent, in writing, to a request by a legislative commissioner for an extension of time, the Legislative Commissioners' Office shall complete its examination of the bill or resolution within ten calendar days, excluding holidays, after its receipt, except the Legislative Commissioners' Office shall complete its examination of a conveyance bill within five calendar days, excluding holidays, after its receipt. If the bill or resolution is approved by a commissioner, the commissioner shall notify the Office of Fiscal Analysis and the Office of Legislative Research of the approval and, if a substitute, furnish each office with a copy of the bill or resolution for preparation of a fiscal note and bill analysis. Unless the President Pro Tempore and the Speaker consent, in writing, to a request by the director of the Office of Fiscal Analysis or the director of the Office of Legislative Research for an extension of time, a legislative commissioner shall transmit the bill or resolution with his or her approval to the clerk of the chamber in which it originated within five calendar days, excluding holidays, after such notice.

(d) **Bills or Resolutions Returned to Committee.** If the commissioner finds upon completion of the examination of a bill or resolution that the bill or resolution is unconstitutional or is already law, the commissioner shall return the bill or resolution to the committee and shall notify the

Office of Fiscal Analysis and the Office of Legislative Research of its return. Whenever a bill or resolution has been so returned to the committee, it may nevertheless be reported favorably by the committee and be returned to the Legislative Commissioners' Office for completion of the procedures prescribed above, notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 15. If a bill or resolution is returned after the committee's reporting out date designated in the schedule shown in Rule 15, the committee shall take such action before the start of the session on the third regular session day of the chamber making the referral after the bill or resolution is returned by the Legislative Commissioners' Office. The clerk shall enter it on the calendar under a heading "Favorable Report, Matter Not Approved by Legislative Commissioner" unless the committee reports a substitute bill or resolution which the legislative commissioners approve.

(e) **Change of Reference.** Favorable changes of reference shall be treated as provided in this rule except that no fiscal note or bill analysis shall be required. When a committee votes a straight change of reference, the bill or resolution shall be submitted to the Legislative Commissioners' Office which shall prepare the change of reference jacket and deliver the bill or resolution to the clerk of the chamber of origin. Reading and referral of straight changes of reference shall be by printing in the House and Senate journals.

During a declaration of a public health or civil preparedness emergency related to COVID-19 by the Governor, or at any other time deemed necessary by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House for public health concerns related to COVID-19, a bill or resolution that has received a straight change of reference or a favorable change of reference shall be considered in the possession of the receiving committee upon entering such straight change of reference or favorable change of reference on the General Assembly web site.

REPORTING OF BILLS OR RESOLUTIONS

14. Except as provided in Rules 19 and 20, all bills and joint resolutions reported by any committee shall be first reported to the chamber of origin, but any bill or resolution favorably reported by only one chamber shall first be reported to that chamber regardless of the chamber of origin.

FINAL COMMITTEE ACTION

15. (a) **Deadline for Favorable Reports.** The deadline for committees to (1) vote to report favorably and submit bills, or (2) to vote to report favorably and electronically submit electronic records of the names of the members voting yea and the members voting nay for bills and resolutions, as the case may be, to the Legislative Commissioners' Office as provided in Rule 13 shall be 5:00 p.m. on the dates designated in the following schedule:

Committee	2021	2022
Aging	March 16	March 17
Children	March 16	March 17
Housing	March 16	March 17
Veterans' Affairs	March 18	March 17
Banking	March 18	March 24
Commerce	March 23	March 24
Higher Education and Employment Advancement	March 23	March 22
Legislative Management	March 24	March 21
Public Safety and Security	March 25	March 22
Insurance and Real Estate	March 25	March 24
Energy and Technology	March 25	March 29
Transportation	March 29	March 25
General Law	March 30	March 22
Labor and Public Employees	March 30	March 29
Human Services	April 1	March 31
Environment	April 5	March 30
Education	April 5	March 28
Planning and Development	April 5	March 28
Public Health	April 7	April 1
Government Administration and Elections	April 7	March 30
Judiciary	April 9	April 4

Committee	2021	2022
Finance, Revenue and Bonding	April 22	April 7
Appropriations	April 23	April 8

The deadlines designated in this subsection shall not apply to conveyance bills, and resolutions proposing amendments to the constitution and other substantive resolutions, or the electronic records of the names of the members voting yea and the members voting nay for such bills and resolutions, as the case may be.

(b) **Hearing Requirement for Favorable Report.** (1) Except as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection and Rule 32 (2)(A), no bill and no resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution or other substantive resolution shall be reported favorably by a committee unless a public hearing has been held as provided in Rule 6, but no further public hearing shall be required for a favorable report on a substitute for such bill or resolution, provided the substitute is based on or is germane to the subject matter of the original bill or resolution, or for a bill or resolution petitioned under Rule 11 on which a subject matter public hearing has been held.

(2) No bill requiring the sale, transfer or other disposition of real property, or interest in real property, under the custody or control of a state agency, shall be reported favorably or unfavorably by a committee unless such sale, transfer or other disposition has been the subject of a public hearing as provided in Rule 6.

(c) **Fiscal Notes and Bill Analyses; Bills or Resolutions Unfavorably Reported; List of Reported Bills or Resolutions.** (1) Any bill or resolution reported favorably by any committee which if passed or adopted, would affect state or municipal revenue or would require the expenditure of state or municipal funds, shall have a fiscal note attached, as required by section 2-24 of the general statutes with respect to bills. The fiscal note for a bill or resolution and the analysis of a bill shall be printed with the bill or resolution and shall bear the same file number as the bill or resolution. Any fiscal note printed with or prepared for a bill or resolution and any analysis of a bill printed with or prepared for a bill, are solely for the purpose of information, summarization and explanation for members of the General Assembly and shall not be construed to represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose. Each such fiscal note and bill analysis shall bear the following disclaimer: "The following Fiscal Impact Statement and Bill Analysis are prepared for the benefit of the members of the General Assembly, solely for purposes of information, summarization and explanation and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose." When an amendment is offered to a bill or resolution in the House or the Senate, which, if adopted, would require the expenditure of state or municipal funds or affect state or municipal revenue, a fiscal note shall be available at the time the amendment is offered. Any fiscal note prepared for such an amendment shall be construed in accordance with the provisions of this rule and shall bear the disclaimer required under this rule. Each fiscal note prepared under this subdivision shall include a brief statement of the sources of information, in addition to the general knowledge of the fiscal analyst, consulted or relied on to calculate the fiscal impact.

(2) All bills or resolutions unfavorably reported by a committee shall be submitted to the Legislative Commissioners' Office not later than 5:00 p.m. on the final reporting out date for favorable reports for that committee, designated in the schedule shown in this rule.

(3) The legislative commissioners shall prepare a list of the bills or resolutions submitted to them which at the deadline time for each committee are not printed and in the files and the clerks shall print the same in the House and Senate journals.

(d) **Bills or Resolutions Not Acted on by Committee; Bills or Resolutions Not Printed and in Files.** All bills or resolutions not acted on by the committees within the time limits established by this section shall be deemed to have failed in committee, except that (1) a bill or resolution shall be reported to the chamber in which it originated if the Speaker of the House and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate certify, in writing, the facts which in their opinion necessitate it being acted on by the General Assembly, or (2) if a majority of the members of either chamber present to the clerk of such chamber a written petition as provided by Rule 19, requesting that a bill or resolution be reported, it shall be reported to the chamber in which the petition originated. Any bill or resolution not printed and in the files of the members of the General Assembly may be acted upon by the General Assembly if the Speaker of the House and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate

certify, in writing, the facts which in their opinion necessitate an immediate vote on the bill or resolution, in which case a copy of the bill or resolution, accompanied by a fiscal note, shall nevertheless be upon the desks of the members, but not necessarily printed, before the bill or resolution is acted upon.

(e) **Conveyance Bills.** Subject to the provisions of Rule 9(e), the deadline for the committee on Government Administration and Elections to vote to report favorably or unfavorably and submit conveyance bills to the Legislative Commissioners' Office shall be 5:00 p.m. on May 19 in 2021 and April 13 in 2022.

(f) **Referral of Bill or Resolution by Chamber to Committee After Deadline.** (1) Whenever a bill or resolution favorably or unfavorably reported by one committee is referred by the House or the Senate to another committee after its deadline under subsection (a) of this rule has passed, the committee receiving such referred bill or resolution shall meet to consider such bill or resolution on any day of the week and at any time (A) before the start of the session of the third regular session day of the referring chamber after the date that the motion to refer is adopted, or (B) not later than seven calendar days after such date of adoption, whichever occurs first. Such committee may take the following action on such referred bill or resolution: (i) Report it favorably or unfavorably in accordance with the provisions of subdivisions (2) and (3) of this rule, (ii) box it, or (iii) take no action. Under no circumstances shall such committee refer such bill or resolution to another committee.

During a declaration of a public health or civil preparedness emergency related to COVID-19 by the Governor, or at any other time deemed necessary by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House for public health concerns related to COVID-19, a bill or resolution referred by the House or the Senate under this subdivision shall be considered in the possession of the committee to which such bill or resolution has been referred upon such referral and the entering of such referral on the General Assembly web site.

(2) If the committee reports the bill or resolution favorably or unfavorably, and the bill or resolution has not been amended in either chamber, the committee may report a substitute bill or resolution, in which case, there shall be a reprinting of the file. The entry on the calendar in both chambers shall indicate the actions of the committee.

(3) If the committee reports the bill or resolution favorably or unfavorably, and the bill or resolution has been amended in either chamber, the committee shall include in its report its recommendation on the adoption or rejection of each amendment, and may submit additional amendments to be offered on the floor. In such a case there shall be no reprinting of the file. The entry on the calendar in both chambers shall indicate the actions and recommendations of the committee.

(g) **Referral of Bill or Resolution by Chamber to Committee Before Deadline During Emergencies Related to COVID-19.** During a declaration of a public health or civil preparedness emergency related to COVID-19 by the Governor, or at any other time deemed necessary by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House for public health concerns related to COVID-19, whenever a bill or resolution favorably or unfavorably reported by one committee is referred by the House or the Senate to another committee before its deadline under subsection (a) of this rule has passed, such referred bill or resolution shall be considered in the possession of the committee to which such bill or resolution has been referred upon such referral and the entering of such referral on the General Assembly web site.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS - READINGS

16. First reading of all bills and resolutions shall be (1) by the acceptance by each chamber of a printed list of bills and resolutions, prepared by the clerks of the House and Senate, setting forth numbers, introducers, titles and committees to which referred, or (2) by title, number and reference to a committee.

Second reading shall be the report of a committee.

Third reading shall be passage or rejection of a bill or adoption or rejection of a resolution on the calendar. Each bill and each resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution shall receive three readings in each chamber prior to passage or adoption, and no bill or resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution shall be read twice on the same day.

FAVORABLE REPORTS

17. (a) **Committee Clerk's Signature.** When the House and Senate members of any committee jointly vote to report a committee or raised bill or resolution favorably, the committee clerk shall sign the committee report form for such committee or raised bill or resolution, except during a declaration of a public health or civil preparedness emergency related to COVID-19 by the Governor, or at any other time deemed necessary by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House for public health concerns related to COVID-19, such signature shall not be required provided the clerk approves such committee report form.

(b) **Resolutions on Appointments and Nominations.** A favorable report by a joint standing committee of a resolution concerning a General Assembly appointment or a nomination requiring joint confirmation and a favorable report of any committee to which executive and legislative nominations are referred shall be tabled for the calendar and printed by number and title only. The report may be accepted and the resolution adopted after it has appeared on the calendar for two days.

(c) **File Copies Available to Members.** All bills and all resolutions proposing amendments to the constitution and other substantive resolutions reported favorably by the committees to which they have been referred, or by a majority of the members of the Senate or House committee making the report, before third reading, shall be laid upon the table, and sufficient copies of each bill or resolution together with the number of committee members voting yea and the number voting nay shall be printed under the supervision of the Legislative Commissioners' Office for the use of the General Assembly.

(d) **Timing of Action by Chambers.** Each bill and each joint resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution and each other substantive resolution so printed shall be in the files and on the calendar with a file number for two session days and shall be starred for action on the session day next succeeding, except that: (1) A bill or resolution certified in accordance with section 2-26 of the general statutes, if filed in the House, may be transmitted to and acted upon first by the Senate with the consent of the Speaker; and if filed in the Senate, may be transmitted to and acted upon first by the House with the consent of the President Pro Tempore, (2) any bill or resolution certified in accordance with section 2-26 of the general statutes may be acted upon immediately and may be transmitted immediately to the second chamber and may be acted upon immediately when received by the second chamber, (3) if one chamber rejects an amendment adopted by the other chamber, the bill or resolution after final action may be transmitted immediately to and may be placed on the calendar immediately in the second chamber, (4) during the last five calendar days of the session, if one chamber rejects an amendment adopted by the other chamber or adopts an amendment to a bill or resolution received from the other chamber, or takes any action on such bill or resolution requiring further action by the other chamber, the bill or resolution after final action may be transmitted immediately to the second chamber and placed immediately on the calendar and may be acted upon immediately in the second chamber, or (5) during the last five calendar days of the session, any bill or resolution, after final action in one chamber, may be transmitted immediately to the second chamber and may be placed on the calendar immediately in the second chamber.

(e) **Action on Calendar.** All bills and resolutions starred for action shall be acted upon only when reached and any bill or resolution not acted upon shall retain its place on the calendar, unless it is put at the foot of the calendar or unless its consideration is made the order of the day for some specified time.

(f) **Other Provisions.** When the House or Senate members only of a committee vote to report a bill or resolution favorably, the House or Senate chairperson of the committee, as the case may be, shall sign the bill or resolution. When the House members and Senate members of a committee vote to report separate versions of a bill or resolution and each chamber adopts its own version, both bills or resolutions may be referred by a joint resolution to a committee of conference, appointed as provided in Rule 22, with instructions to report a bill or resolution, as the case may be. If no bill or resolution is reported within three session days following the committee's appointment, the committee shall submit an interim report to both chambers and shall continue to report every second session day thereafter until a final decision is reached. If a bill or resolution is agreed upon by the committee it shall be submitted to the Legislative Commissioners' Office as a favorable report for processing as provided in Rule 13. A legislative commissioner shall transmit the bill or resolution with his or her approval to the clerk of the chamber which initiated the joint

resolution for a committee of conference and the bill or resolution shall thereupon be tabled for the calendar and printing. The report of the committee may be accepted or rejected, but the bill or resolution may not be amended.

No bill or resolution shall appear on the calendar of either chamber unless it has received a joint favorable report or a favorable report of the members of the committee of that chamber, except as provided in this rule or in Rule 19 or 20.

(g) **Roll Call Requirement.** Each bill and each resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution and each other substantive resolution appearing on the regular calendar shall be voted upon by a roll call vote.

REPRINTING AFTER AMENDMENT

18. Whenever a bill or resolution is substantively amended there shall be no action on passage of the bill or resolution until it has been re-examined by the legislative commissioners for the purposes set forth in Rule 13 and it has been reprinted as amended. The chamber in which the bill or resolution is pending shall not take final action thereon until the reprinted bill or resolution has been made available to the members. This rule shall not apply to amendments offered solely for the purposes of correcting clerical defects or imperfections, such as but not limited to, grammatical or spelling errors or mistakes as to form or dates, or to make other changes which do not alter the substance of a bill or resolution. Reprinting of amended bills or resolutions shall not be required for bills or resolutions passed after June 5, 2021, for the 2021 session and April 30, 2022, for the 2022 session.

PETITION FOR COMMITTEE REPORT

19. Upon presentation to the clerk of either chamber of a petition signed in the original by not less than a majority of the members of either chamber requesting a joint standing committee to report a bill or resolution in its possession, the clerk shall immediately give notice to the committee of the filing of the petition. The petition may not be presented sooner than the day following the committee's deadline, designated in the schedule shown in Rule 15, to report the bill or resolution out of committee and not later than 5:00 p.m. on the seventh calendar day after that deadline. Within two regular session days thereafter the committee shall report the bill or resolution with or without its recommendations to the chamber from which the petition was received. If no recommendation is made, the bill or resolution shall be considered as having received an unfavorable report and the procedures in Rule 20 shall be followed. Each petition or page of the petition shall contain a statement of its purpose and may be circulated only by a member of the chamber whose clerk will receive the petition. If the committee members of one chamber vote to report a bill or resolution favorably, the petition so circulated and presented to the clerk may be signed only by the members of the other chamber.

Any bill or resolution so petitioned, except those carrying or requiring appropriations, shall not be referred to any other committee without first having been voted upon by the House or Senate. Those carrying or requiring appropriations shall be referred first to the joint standing committee on Appropriations. The Appropriations committee shall, within two session days after such reference, report such bill or resolution back to the chamber in which the petition originated with either a favorable or unfavorable report thereon and the bill or resolution shall then be voted upon. In the event of a conflict between the report of the original committee and that of the Appropriations committee, the vote shall be on the report of the Appropriations committee.

UNFAVORABLE REPORTS

20. All bills and resolutions reported unfavorably shall first be printed under the supervision of the legislative commissioners, without correction and without their approval, and shall be in the files and on the calendar as if favorably reported but shall appear on the calendar under the heading "Unfavorable Reports." If the unfavorable report is rejected by the chamber of origin, the bill or resolution shall be returned to the legislative commissioners for their approval and reprinting in final form, except that in the case of an unfavorable report of the committee on executive and legislative nominations, or an unfavorable report of the committee on judiciary of a judicial nomination, a nomination of a workers' compensation commissioner or a nomination of a member of the Board of Pardons and Paroles, the resolution shall not be returned to the legislative commissioners and may be acted upon immediately. If the bill or resolution is returned to the legislative commissioners after May 26, 2021, in the 2021 session or April 20, 2022, in the 2022 session, the legislative commissioners shall transmit the bill or resolution, with or without

approval, to the clerk of the chamber from which it was received, not later than five calendar days after it is received. It shall then be in the files, with special marking on the calendar, as if favorably reported with a file number for two session days and starred for action on the session day next succeeding in the chamber of origin. If the unfavorable report is accepted by the chamber of origin, the bill or resolution shall be lost.

When an unfavorable report is rejected by the first chamber and the bill is passed or the resolution adopted by that chamber, it shall then be in the files and on the calendar of the other chamber, but shall appear on the calendar under the heading "Unfavorable Reports".

RECALL FROM OTHER CHAMBER FOR RECONSIDERATION

21. No resolution or motion to recall a bill, resolution or other matter from the other chamber shall be allowed for the purpose of reconsideration or amendment after the time has elapsed for the reconsideration of any vote thereon except when there has clearly been a mistake in such vote or an error in the language of the bill, resolution or other matter.

COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE

22. (a) *Appointment of Committee.* When one chamber rejects an amendment adopted by the other chamber, the bill or resolution shall be returned to the other chamber for further action. If that chamber readopts the rejected amendment, the readoption constitutes a matter for a committee of conference, and a committee of conference shall be appointed by the Speaker and the President Pro Tempore. The committee of conference shall be comprised of three members from each chamber. If the vote has not been unanimous there shall be at least one member of the committee who was not on the prevailing side in such member's chamber, except that in all cases, at least one member in each chamber shall be a member of the minority party.

(b) *Committee Reports.* The committee may propose any changes within the scope of the bill or resolution, but any action, including changes, taken by the committee shall be by a majority vote of the members of each chamber on the committee. The committee report shall be made to both chambers at the same time. The committee report shall contain the following information: The bill or resolution number and title, the members of the committee, the action of the committee, indicating the adoption or rejection of each House or Senate amendment previously adopted, identified by schedule letter, which accompanied the bill or resolution, the adoption of a new amendment, if any, and the signature of the members of the committee accepting or rejecting the report. A member's refusal to sign shall be deemed a rejection. Any new amendment shall be prepared by the Legislative Commissioners' Office and shall be attached to and made a part of the report and shall be identified by a schedule letter of the chamber which created the disagreeing action.

(c) *Action by Chambers.* Each chamber shall vote to accept or reject the report. A vote by either chamber to accept the report of the committee shall be final action by that chamber on the bill or resolution. If both chambers vote to accept the report of the committee, the bill is passed or the resolution is adopted as of the time the last chamber votes to accept the report. If either chamber rejects the report of the committee, the bill or resolution is defeated and the second chamber shall not be required to consider the committee report. The report of the committee may be accepted or rejected, but it may not be amended.

RETURN OF BILL FROM GOVERNOR OR LEGISLATIVE COMMISSIONERS

23. Whenever a bill has passed both chambers and has been transmitted to the Governor for approval, or to the legislative commissioners for engrossing, if either chamber desires its return for further consideration, the General Assembly may, by resolution adopted by both chambers, appoint a joint committee of one senator and two representatives to be sent to the Governor or the commissioners to request the return of the bill. In the case of a bill transmitted to the Governor, if the Governor consents, and in the case of a bill transmitted to the legislative commissioners, the bill shall be returned first to that chamber in which the motion for its return originated, and the bill may then be altered or totally rejected by a concurrent vote of the two chambers; but, if not altered or rejected by concurrent vote, it shall be again transmitted to the Governor or the legislative commissioners, as the case may be, in the same form in which it was first presented to the Governor or the legislative commissioners.

EXAMINATION OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

24. (a) *Examination and Correction.* All bills, and all resolutions proposing amendments to the constitution, when finally passed or adopted, shall be examined immediately by the legislative

commissioners. If the legislative commissioners find that any correction should be made in the text, they shall report it to the committee on legislative management. If the committee believes that no correction should be made, it shall so inform the legislative commissioners. If the committee believes a correction should be made, it shall so inform the legislative commissioners who shall report the bill or resolution to the chamber which last took action upon it, with the proposed correction in the form of an amendment, within five calendar days, Sundays and holidays excepted, after its passage or adoption.

(b) **Consideration of Proposed Correction.** The report shall be placed at the head of the calendar, and shall take precedence of all other business on the calendar; and the only question on the report shall be, "Shall the proposed amendment be adopted?" If the proposed amendment is adopted by both chambers, the bill or resolution shall stand as amended. If the proposed amendment is rejected by either chamber, the bill or resolution shall not be transmitted to the other chamber, but shall stand as originally passed or adopted. If, in the consequence of the adjournment of the General Assembly subject to reconvening for the consideration of vetoed bills or for any other reason, any bill or resolution which has been passed or adopted by both chambers fails to be amended as recommended by the commissioners, the bill or resolution shall stand as originally passed or adopted.

ENGROSSING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

25. All bills, all resolutions proposing amendments to the constitution and all resolutions memorializing Congress when finally passed or adopted shall be engrossed under the direction of the legislative commissioners, and immediately thereafter shall be transmitted to the clerks. The legislative commissioners shall carefully compare all engrossed bills and resolutions with the bills and resolutions as finally passed or adopted, and a commissioner shall certify by his or her signature to the correctness of the engrossed copies. As soon as engrossed and certified, as herein provided, the bill or resolution and amendment shall be presented to the House and Senate clerks, who shall sign the engrossed and certified copies.

TRANSMITTAL TO GOVERNOR

26. (a) **Transmittal of Copy.** On the passage of a bill by both chambers, the clerk of the chamber last taking action thereon shall forthwith cause a copy to be sent to the Governor.

(b) **Engrossed Bills and Resolutions.** Each bill and resolution, with the engrossed copy, shall be transmitted by the clerks of the House and Senate to the Secretary of the State as soon as it has been signed, as herein provided, and not later than the twelfth day after the expiration of the time allowed for reconsideration under the rules of the General Assembly, Sundays and legal holidays excepted; and the Secretary of the State shall forthwith present the engrossed copy of each bill to the Governor for approval.

(c) **Records of Transmittal.** The Secretary of the State shall give the clerks a receipt for each bill or resolution, and shall notify them of the date and time at which each bill was presented to the Governor. The Secretary of the State shall give the Governor a receipt showing the date and time at which the Governor approved it or returned it to the Secretary of the State with a statement of his or her objections and shall notify the clerks of the dates and times. The clerks shall record the dates and times of presentation and approval or return in the journals of the House and Senate.

(d) **Immediate Transmittal.** The chamber last taking action on a bill, before engrossing, may order immediate transmittal of the bill to the Governor, in which case the clerk of that chamber shall forthwith present the bill to the Governor, taking a duplicate receipt therefor showing the date and time at which the bill was deposited in the executive office, one of which receipts the clerk shall deliver to the Secretary of the State. Except as provided in this subsection, a bill shall be transmitted to the Governor only after engrossing.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS NOT REPORTED

27. The official copies of all bills and joint resolutions not reported by committees shall be delivered to the Secretary of the State by the clerk of the committee.

DISTURBANCES

28. (a) If there is any disturbance, disorderly conduct or other activity in or about the State Capitol or the Legislative Office Building or the grounds thereof which, in the opinion of the President Pro Tempore and the Speaker, may impede the orderly transaction of the business of the General Assembly or any of its committees, they may take whatever action they deem necessary to preserve and restore order.

(b) During a declaration of a public health or civil preparedness emergency related to COVID-19 by the Governor, or at any other time deemed necessary by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House for public health concerns related to COVID-19, the President Pro Tempore and the Speaker may take whatever action they deem necessary to preserve public health and maintain order, including prohibiting access to the Hall of the House, the Senate or the State Capitol or Legislative Office Building, except for the members, the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, authorized staff of the legislative, executive and judicial departments, authorized telecommunications personnel and authorized or credentialed members of the media.

AMENDMENT AND SUSPENSION OF RULES

29. These rules shall not be altered, amended or suspended except by the vote of at least two-thirds of the members present in each chamber.

Motions to suspend the rules shall be in order on any session day.

Suspension of the rules shall be for a specified purpose. Upon accomplishment of that purpose, any rule suspended shall be again in force.

RESTRICTIONS

30. (a) **Smoking.** No person shall smoke in the State Capitol or Legislative Office Building.

(b) **Nonpartisan Offices.** Lobbyists shall be prohibited from the Legislative Commissioners' Office, the Office of Fiscal Analysis and the Office of Legislative Research but not from the legislative library.

(c) **Wireless Telephones.** No person shall operate a wireless telephone or similar device in the senate chamber while the senate is meeting, in the house chamber while the house is meeting, or in any room while a committee is meeting or holding a public hearing in that room.

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS

31. When a collective bargaining agreement, negotiated under the provisions of chapter 68 of the general statutes, or a supplemental understanding reached between the parties to such agreement, or an arbitration award resulting from an arbitration proceeding under that chapter, is submitted to the General Assembly for approval as provided in section 5-278 of the general statutes, the following procedures shall apply:

(1) In the case of a collective bargaining agreement or supplemental understanding, the bargaining representative of the employer shall file one executed original and five photocopies of the agreement, or of the master agreement and individual working agreements or the supplemental understanding, to the clerk of the House, and one executed original and five photocopies to the clerk of the Senate. In the case of an arbitration award, the bargaining representative of the employer shall file five photocopies of the original arbitration award, showing that the original award was signed by the arbitrator, and a statement setting forth the amount of funds necessary to implement the award, to the clerk of the House and to the clerk of the Senate. The bargaining representative of the employer shall file with such agreement, supplemental understanding or award: (A) A list of the sections of the general statutes or state agency regulations, if any, proposed to be superseded, and (B) the effective date and expiration date of the agreement, supplemental understanding or award. An agreement shall be deemed executed only when it has been approved, in the case of an executive branch employer, including the division of criminal justice, by the Governor's designee, in the case of a judicial branch employer, by the chief administrative officer or such officer's designee, and in the case of a segment of the system of higher education, the chairperson of the appropriate board of trustees, and by the executive committee or officers of the respective bargaining unit or units and has been ratified by the membership of such bargaining unit or units.

During a declaration of a public health or civil preparedness emergency related to COVID-19 by the Governor, or at any other time deemed necessary by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House for public health concerns related to COVID-19, the bargaining representative of the employer shall submit an electronic copy of any such agreement, supplemental understanding or award to each the clerk of the House and the clerk of the Senate at the time the bargaining representative files such agreement, supplemental understanding or award under this subdivision.

(2) (A) During periods when the General Assembly is in session, the agreement or supplemental understanding or the award shall be filed with the clerks, and the clerks shall stamp

such agreement or supplemental understanding or award with the date of receipt and, within two calendar days thereafter, Saturdays, Sundays and holidays excepted, the Speaker of the House and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall cause separate House and Senate resolutions to be prepared proposing approval of the agreement or supplemental understanding or, in the case of an award, separate House and Senate resolutions concerning the sufficiency of funds for implementation of the award. The agreement or supplemental understanding or the award shall be submitted to the General Assembly on the date that both such resolutions are filed with the clerks. Each resolution shall be given a first reading in the appropriate chamber. Resolutions proposing approval of a collective bargaining agreement or a supplemental understanding, together with a copy of the agreement or supplemental understanding, and resolutions concerning the sufficiency of funds for implementation of an arbitration award, together with a copy of the award, shall be referred to the committee on Appropriations. During a declaration of a public health or civil preparedness emergency related to COVID-19 by the Governor, or at any other time deemed necessary by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House for public health concerns related to COVID-19, any such resolution shall be considered in the possession of the committee on Appropriations upon referral of such resolution. With respect to each resolution referred to the committee on or before the deadline of the committee to report favorably on a bill or resolution as designated in the schedule shown in Rule 15, the committee shall hold a public hearing on each such resolution, and within fifteen days after the referral, shall report the appropriate resolutions approving or disapproving the agreement or supplemental understanding or concerning the sufficiency of funds for implementation of the award to the House and the Senate, notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 15. If the Appropriations committee fails to take action within the time period set forth in this rule, the agreement or supplemental understanding shall nevertheless be deemed approved or, in the case of an award, the sufficiency of funds affirmed and the resolutions shall be reported to the House and the Senate as favorable reports.

(B) If an agreement or supplemental understanding is reached or an arbitration award is made during the interim between sessions, the provisions of subsection (b) of section 5-278 of the general statutes, as amended, shall apply.

(3) Each resolution, favorably or unfavorably reported, shall be read in, and tabled for the calendar and printing, in the appropriate chamber. Copies of the master agreement and individual working agreements, identified by the resolution numbers, copies of the salary schedules and appendices, and copies of the arbitration awards, identified by the resolution numbers, and the statements setting forth the amount of funds necessary to implement the awards, shall be made available in the clerks' offices.

(4) The Office of Fiscal Analysis shall prepare an analysis of each agreement, supplemental understanding and award and a fiscal note both of which shall be upon the desks of the members, but not necessarily printed in the files, before the resolution is acted upon.

(5) (A) The respective resolutions shall be in the files and on the calendar with a file number for two session days and shall be starred for action on the session day next succeeding unless it has been certified in accordance with section 2-26 of the general statutes. The House and the Senate shall vote to approve or reject each resolution proposing approval of a collective bargaining agreement or a supplemental understanding and each resolution concerning the sufficiency of funds for implementation of an arbitration award within thirty days after the date of the filing of the agreement, supplemental understanding or award with the clerks of the House and Senate.

(B) The House and the Senate shall each permit not more than six hours of total time for debate of each such resolution. Those speaking in favor of such resolution shall be allocated not more than three hours of total time for debate, and those speaking in opposition to such resolution shall be allocated not more than three hours of total time for debate. A vote shall be taken on the resolution upon the conclusion of the debate.

(C) Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (B) of this subdivision, if the debate on such resolution occurs during the last three days of the thirty-day period, the House and the Senate shall each permit not more than four hours of total time for debate of such resolution. Those speaking in favor of such resolution shall be allocated not more than two hours of total time for debate and those speaking in opposition to such resolution shall be allocated not more than two hours of total time for debate. A vote shall be taken on the resolution upon the conclusion of the debate.

(6) Notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 15, when a resolution proposing approval of a collective bargaining agreement or a supplemental understanding or a resolution concerning the sufficiency of funds for implementation of an arbitration award is referred to the committee on Appropriations after the deadline of the committee to report favorably on a bill or resolution as designated in the schedule shown in Rule 15, but was filed more than thirty days before the end of a regular session, the committee may act on such resolutions provided it reports such resolutions to the House and Senate not later than twelve days after such referral.

(7) If the General Assembly is in regular session when an award, agreement or supplemental understanding is filed with the clerks, it shall vote to approve or reject such award, agreement or supplemental understanding within thirty days after the date of filing. If the General Assembly does not vote to approve or reject such award, agreement or supplemental understanding within such thirty days, the award, agreement or supplemental understanding shall be deemed rejected. If the regular session adjourns prior to such thirtieth day and the award, agreement or supplemental understanding has not been acted upon, the award, agreement or supplemental understanding shall be deemed to be filed on the first day of the next regular session.

(8) (A) If an agreement is rejected, the matter shall be returned to the parties in accordance with section 5-278(b)(2)(A) of the general statutes. The parties may submit any award issued pursuant to arbitration initiated under said section 5-278(b)(2)(A) to the General Assembly for approval in the same manner as the rejected agreement. If the arbitration award is rejected by the General Assembly, the matter shall be returned again to the parties in accordance with said section 5-278(b)(2)(A). Any award issued pursuant to further arbitration initiated under said section 5-278(b)(2)(A) shall be deemed approved by the General Assembly.

(B) If an arbitration award, other than an award issued pursuant to section 5-278(b)(2)(A) of the general statutes, is rejected, the matter shall be returned to the parties in accordance with section 5-278(b)(2)(B) of the general statutes. Any award issued pursuant to further arbitration initiated under said section 5-278(b)(2)(B) shall be deemed approved by the General Assembly.

AGREEMENTS OR STIPULATIONS UNDER SECTION 3-125a

32. When an agreement or stipulation is submitted to the General Assembly as provided in section 3-125a of the general statutes, the following procedures shall apply:

(1) Six copies of the agreement or stipulation shall be submitted to the clerk of the House, and six copies to the clerk of the Senate.

During a declaration of a public health or civil preparedness emergency related to COVID-19 by the Governor, or at any other time deemed necessary by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House for public health concerns related to COVID-19, six copies of the agreement or stipulation and an electronic copy of the agreement or stipulation shall be submitted to the clerk of the House, and six copies and an electronic copy to the clerk of the Senate.

(2) (A) During periods when the General Assembly is in session, the agreement or stipulation shall be stamped by the clerks with the date of receipt and, within two calendar days thereafter, Saturdays, Sundays and holidays excepted, the Speaker of the House and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall cause separate House and Senate resolutions to be prepared proposing approval of the agreement or stipulation. Each resolution shall be given a first reading in the appropriate chamber. The President Pro Tempore and the Speaker shall designate the committees of cognizance and the committees, if any, that will hold a public hearing on each agreement or stipulation. Each resolution, accompanied by the agreement or stipulation, shall be referred to the committees of cognizance, which shall report thereon.

During a declaration of a public health or civil preparedness emergency related to COVID-19 by the Governor, or at any other time deemed necessary by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House for public health concerns related to COVID-19, any such resolution shall be considered in the possession of the committee of cognizance upon referral of such resolution.

(B) If an agreement or stipulation is submitted during the interim between regular sessions, it shall be deemed to be submitted on the first day of the next regular session.

(3) Each resolution, favorably or unfavorably reported, shall be read in, and tabled for the calendar and printing, in the appropriate chamber.

(4) The Office of Fiscal Analysis shall prepare an analysis of each agreement or stipulation and a fiscal note both of which shall be upon the desks of the members, but not necessarily printed in the files, before the resolution is acted upon.

(5) The resolution shall be in the files and on the calendar with a file number for two session days and shall be starred for action on the session day next succeeding unless it has been certified in accordance with section 2-26 of the general statutes. The House and the Senate may vote to approve or reject each resolution within thirty days of the date of submittal of the agreement or stipulation.

(6) Notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 15, when an agreement or stipulation is referred to a committee of cognizance after the deadline of the committee to report favorably on a bill or resolution as designated in the schedule shown in Rule 15, but not later than the time of submission specified in subdivision (7) of this rule, the committee may act on such resolution provided it reports such resolution not later than twelve days after such referral.

(7) Any agreement or stipulation submitted to the clerks within thirty days before the end of a regular session and not acted upon dispositively before the end of such session shall be deemed to be submitted on the first day of the next regular session.

SPECIAL SESSIONS

33. A majority of the total membership of each chamber shall be required for the calling of a special session by the General Assembly.

INTERIM

34. (a) **Meetings.** (1) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, during the interim between sessions, chairpersons of a committee may schedule meetings on any day. Notice of the date, time and place of committee meetings shall be given to the Office of Legislative Management.

(2) During a declaration of a public health or civil preparedness emergency related to COVID-19 by the Governor, or at any other time deemed necessary by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House for public health concerns related to COVID-19, committees shall conduct meetings only on a virtual platform approved by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, and each member may only participate and vote at such meeting on such virtual platform. Notice of the date, time and manner of committee meetings shall be given to the Office of Legislative Management and posted on the General Assembly web site, and the notice provided to committee members and staff shall include the Internet web site address for participation at such meeting, and the notice provided to members of the public shall include the Internet web site address or television channel in which such meeting will be broadcast. All such meetings shall be broadcast contemporaneously on television or on an Internet web site identified in the notice of such meeting. In the event of a technological issue that is preventing or otherwise limiting the transaction of the business of the committee or the committee's ability to comply with these rules, prior to or during a meeting conducted on a virtual platform, the chairpersons of the committee may take whatever action they deem necessary in accordance with the provisions of Rule 5(a)(5).

(b) **Public Hearings.** (1) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, a committee may hold subject matter public hearings on any subject and on specified proposed bills and proposed resolutions, and on committee and raised bills and resolutions. Notice of any public hearing shall be given, not later than ten calendar days before the hearing, to the Office of Legislative Management for appropriate publication by that office at least five calendar days in advance of the hearing. The notice shall contain the date, time, place and general subject matter of the hearing and the title of the bills or resolutions, if any, to be considered. In no event shall a bill or resolution be listed for a public hearing unless the committee holding the public hearing has copies available for the public.

(2) During a declaration of a public health or civil preparedness emergency related to COVID-19 by the Governor, or at any other time deemed necessary by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House for public health concerns related to COVID-19, a committee may hold subject matter public hearings on any subject and on specified proposed bills and proposed resolutions, and on committee and raised bills and resolutions, provided the public hearing is conducted on a virtual platform approved by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House. Notice of any public hearing shall be given, not later than ten

calendar days before the hearing, to the Office of Legislative Management for appropriate publication by that office at least five calendar days in advance of the hearing. The notice shall contain the (A) date, time, manner and general subject matter of the hearing and the title of the bills or resolutions, if any, to be considered, (B) the Internet web site address for participation at such hearing, and (C) the Internet web site address or television channel in which such meeting will be broadcast. Members of the public may submit the names of persons who wish to testify at such public hearing to the committee clerk, in a manner described in the notice for such public hearing, and such names shall be included in a lottery that will determine the order of testimony of witnesses during the public portion of the hearing. In no event shall a bill or resolution be listed for a public hearing unless the committee conducting such public hearing has posted such bill or resolution on the General Assembly web site. In the event of a technological issue that is preventing or otherwise limiting the transaction of the business of the committee or the committee's ability to comply with these rule, prior to or during a public hearing conducted on a virtual platform, the chairpersons of the committee may take whatever action they deem necessary in accordance with the provisions of Rule 6(a)(4).

(3) For the purpose of meeting the hearing requirements under this subsection, the day of publication by the Office of Legislative Management and the day of the hearing shall both be counted as full days.

(c) *Raised Bills - Hearing During Session Required.* During the interim between the 2021 and 2022 sessions, a committee may, on or after October 1, 2021, raise bills and resolutions for public hearing and consideration during such interim, but no such bill or resolution shall be reported by any committee unless a public hearing has been held during the 2022 session, as provided in Rule 6.

SEXUAL HARASSMENT POLICY

35. The sexual harassment policy set forth in section 2.2 of the Connecticut General Assembly Employee Handbook, as amended from time to time, is incorporated by reference in these rules.

MASKS

36. During a declaration of a public health or civil preparedness emergency related to COVID-19 by the Governor, or at any other time deemed necessary by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House for public health concerns related to COVID-19, each member or other person present in the State Capitol or Legislative Office Building shall maintain a cloth face covering or mask over the member's or person's nose and mouth. This rule does not apply to a member who is in the senate chamber or the house chamber and is addressing the chair and able to maintain a distance of at least six feet from any other member or person.

BIPARTISAN COMMISSION ON INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES AND THE IMPACT OF COVID-19

37. For the 2021 regular session there is established a bipartisan commission on intellectual disabilities and the impact of COVID-19. The commission shall consist of the following members: One appointed by the Speaker of the House, one appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, one appointed by the majority leader of the House, one appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, one appointed by the minority leader of the House and one appointed by the minority leader of the Senate. The Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the commission from among the members of the commission. Such chairpersons shall schedule the first meeting of the commission and the commission shall meet as necessary. The commission may submit proposals for legislation to the appropriate committee of cognizance.

S.J. No. 2 RESOLUTION CONCERNING PUBLICATION OF THE LEGISLATIVE BULLETIN, PRINTING OF BILLS AND EXPENSES OF THE 2021 SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Senator Duff of the 25th explained the resolution and moved adoption.

On a voice vote the resolution was adopted.

The following is the resolution:

Resolved by this Assembly:

That the clerk of the House and the clerk of the Senate shall cause to be published, from time to time, as they find suitable, notices of caucuses, committee hearings, meetings and announcements of interest to members of the General Assembly, following the plan of the Legislative Bulletin published at previous sessions; and

That the joint standing committee on legislative management is authorized to pay the cost of printing of bills for the 2021 session of the General Assembly; and other necessary expenses of the 2021 session of the General Assembly.

**SUSPENSION OF THE RULES
IMMEDIATE TRANSMITTAL TO THE HOUSE**

Senator Duff of the 25th, moved to suspend the rules for immediate transmittal to the House resolutions SJR 1 and SJR 2 requiring further action by the House.

**INTRODUCTION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS
SENATE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED**

The following resolutions were introduced, read, and adopted.

S.R. No. 2 RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE PRINTING OF THE SENATE JOURNAL.

Senator Duff of the 25th explained the resolution and moved adoption.

On a voice vote the resolution was adopted.

The following is the resolution:

Resolved by the Senate:

That the Clerk of the Senate be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to cause to be printed and distributed daily such number of copies of the Journal of the Senate, as the clerk deems necessary, and such number of copies at the close of the session as may be provided by law.

S.R. No. 3 RESOLUTION CONCERNING ROLL CALL AND READING OF THE SENATE JOURNAL.

Senator Duff of the 25th explained the resolution and moved adoption.

On a voice vote the resolution was adopted.

The following is the resolution:

Resolved by the Senate:

That the daily roll call and reading of the Journal of the Senate be dispensed with during the January 2021 session.

S.R. No. 4 RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATIONS OF RABBI PHILIP LAZOWSKI OF WEST HARTFORD AS CHAPLAIN OF THE SENATE AND REVEREND BONITA GRUBBS OF NEW HAVEN AND MONSIGNOR GERARD G. SCHMITZ OF BRANFORD AS DEPUTY CHAPLAINS OF THE SENATE.

Senator Duff of the 25th explained the resolution and moved adoption.

On a voice vote the resolution was adopted.

The following is the resolution:

Resolved by the Senate:

That Rabbi Philip Lazowski of West Hartford be and he is hereby appointed as Chaplain of the Senate for the 2021 and 2022 sessions;

That Reverend Bonita Grubbs of New Haven be and she is hereby appointed as a Deputy Chaplain of the Senate for the 2021 and 2022 sessions; and

That Monsignor Gerard G. Schmitz of Branford be and he is hereby appointed as a Deputy Chaplain of the Senate for the 2021 and 2022 sessions.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Senator Duff of the 25th, the Senate at 11:07 a.m. adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

**2021 STATE OF THE STATE ADDRESS
DELIVERED VIA VIDEO
GOVERNOR NED LAMONT
JANUARY 6, 2021**

Last year's State of the State address seems like a long, long time ago.

Mr. President, Mr. Speaker, Senator Kelly, Representative Candelora, my fellow state officials, members of the General Assembly and the Judicial Branch, Lt. Governor Bysiewicz, honored guests, and the people of the great state of Connecticut.

Two years ago, as your new governor, you welcomed me into the "room where it happens." This year, that room has become a "virtual room."

I want to express my most sincere gratitude to the nurses, doctors, caregivers, National Guard, teachers, and the many other essential workers who are on the front lines of our fight against COVID. You have all stepped up in ways we and you never would have imagined necessary or possible. On behalf of a very grateful state: thank you, thank you, thank you.

Before we begin, I would like to take a moment of silence for members of our Connecticut family, who we have lost this past year.

Two years ago, I introduced my family to you – adding that Annie and I consider Connecticut like an extension of our own family. After ten months of COVID, that is truer today than it was ever before.

Every day, we are reminded that we are all in this together, and like any large family, we must look out and care for one another.

Goodbye 2020 and good riddance, a year that has been the most challenging and humbling of my life. One year ago today, we had never heard of COVID, and pandemics seemed a thing of the past. One year later, we have lost over 6,000 members of our Connecticut family to this deadly virus. Schools and universities are trying their hardest to stay open, businesses are fighting for their survival, and working families are struggling to stay afloat.

But, thanks to all of you, and our amazing scientific community which has developed a safe and effective vaccine in less than one year, there is a hopeful light on the horizon, our state and our nation are on the mend, and Connecticut's comeback is happening.

Two years ago, I promised an open door and a bigger table that included Democrats and Republicans, labor and business. After ten months of COVID, that bigger table also includes our reopening committee – which featured the best healthcare minds not just in Connecticut, but in the country – to guide us through this crisis led by science and honesty. Some of those very members are now advising the president-elect.

Public Health Commissioner Deidre Gifford and Trinity Healthcare President Reggie Eadie formed the Vaccine Advisory Group with scientific and community leaders giving us confidence that it is safe and effective to take the vaccine.

In keeping with the Hamilton theme from two years ago, when I spoke about a young Alexander Hamilton arriving in America – the land of opportunity, and not wanting to waste his shot – in today's day and age, we are all thinking about the vaccine, which only makes a difference if nobody wastes their shot.

Similarly, two years ago I stressed the importance of resetting the relationships with our neighboring and regional states. For too long, those relationships had been neglected. And as our neighboring governors understood, this virus doesn't respect state borders. When the federal government failed to come up with a national strategy, I worked with Gina and Charlie in Rhode Island and Massachusetts, Phil in New Jersey, and of course Andrew in neighboring New York.

COVID is not the only challenge that doesn't respect borders. I am going to continue to build upon those relationships to implement more effective and less expensive solutions, such as faster transportation options which incentivize a move to all electric vehicles, a zero-carbon electric grid, and stronger protections against cyberattacks.

I am working with our neighboring states and look forward to working with our tribal partners on a path forward to modernize gaming in our state, as well as the legislature on legalization of marijuana. Sports betting, internet gaming, and legalized marijuana are happening all around us. Let's not surrender these opportunities to out-of-state markets or even worse, underground markets.

Racism is another virus which knows no borders. Following the tragic deaths of George Floyd and Breonna Taylor, our nation and our state found itself at a historical moment of reckoning –

forced to finally confront the hard truths of racial inequality and injustice – but protests are only meaningful if they are a call to action.

Unlike the violence which jarred protests in other states, our protests highlighted the best in Connecticut values– with black and white, suburbs and cities, police and protesters locking arms in a common cause.

Two years ago, we emphasized broader access to affordable healthcare as a basic human right. After COVID, we have a renewed understanding that affordable, quality healthcare is not only essential to us as individuals, but critically important for the well-being of our communities. If you cannot get tested, if you cannot quarantine safely, if you don't have ready access to the vaccine, that's not only dangerous for you, that's dangerous for all of us.

Two years ago, when we passed paid family and medical leave, we understood how important it was that if illness struck, you didn't have to choose between the family you love and the job you need. When COVID struck, even the federal government rushed to implement their own version of paid medical leave for their two-million employees. No more workers feeling they had to show up to work feeling sick or infectious fearing for their livelihoods.

Two years ago, a \$15 minimum wage meant that a minimum wage worker could earn enough to provide for his or her family. After COVID, we better understand that the minimum wage worker is an essential worker – one of the many heroes who never stopped providing for our children at daycare, ensuring there's enough food on the shelves of our grocery stores or taking care of our elderly. These heroes cannot simply telecommute, their work is too essential.

Last spring, some of these essential workers began working with Commissioner Beth Bye to identify the childcare centers located next to our hospitals. Within weeks, 26 childcare centers were open and providing free childcare to those frontline workers taking care of us.

To those small businesses struggling to keep their doors open whose employees are some of the many working families trying to make ends meet during this COVID recession, we are continuing to provide grants to keep you afloat until federal aid arrives, especially for the hospitality and restaurant sectors, which have been hit hardest.

Similarly, through our Shared Work Program, we have streamlined our unemployment benefit program so employers can save jobs and retain their workers until the economy is fully back.

Two years ago, I vowed to work tirelessly to ensure that all our kids have the greatest opportunities to thrive, succeed, and create a life of their own – right here in Connecticut.

With many students having to learn from home, COVID revealed that too many students are left on the wrong side of the digital divide that exacerbates the achievement gap. Computers, internet access, and broadband – these are the tools essential to students' success during COVID and for the foreseeable future.

When the pandemic struck, we worked together – public, private, and nonprofits – to solve this digital divide.

Quoting president elect Joe Biden: "Dr. Cardona has brought his heart, his knowledge, and his passion for education to bear on behalf of the students across Connecticut. And when that pandemic struck, he was ready. He helped secure more than 140,000 laptops, more than 40,000 internet connections for students who lack them. Because of him, Connecticut became the first state in the nation to ensure that every single public-school student was equipped to engage in remote learning regardless of family income."

Of course, the president-elect is referring to our very own Education Commissioner Miguel Cardona, who will be the nation's next secretary of Education.

We will also be the first state to broaden the teaching of history and social studies to make sure that our Black and Hispanic children along with their white peers have a better appreciation of their histories and civilizations, including Native American history, which are so much about who they are and who we are.

This year, we will continue to emphasize our best-in-the-nation public schools and workforce development, making sure every child, regardless of zip code, race, color, or creed, has the best opportunity at the starting line of life.

After ten months of COVID, the entire state should rise to its feet and applaud the dedication of our teachers. With schools closed around the country, we kept more of ours safely open, because we prioritize our children and their futures, because they are our future.

Voting is all about our children, and that's why elections do matter. Secretary of the State Denise Merrill gets a shout out for making it easier for us to vote safely – and with integrity – during this pandemic. Voters appreciated the absentee ballots and early voting. We should make this permanent.

Two years ago, we emphasized how important an on-time, honestly balanced budget is to families, mayors, first select persons, and small businesses so that they can accurately plan for their future. Thanks to your support, we passed an honestly balanced budget. It included a down payment on paying off our longstanding pension liabilities and created the largest rainy-day fund in our state's history.

In these turbulent economic times, we are well positioned to fund our critical services without draconian cuts or broad tax increases.

Two years ago, the Wall Street Journal asked, "What's Wrong with Connecticut?" Now, commentators across the country are applauding our budgetary approach. As a recognition of this hard work, outside analysts have repeatedly reported that Connecticut is getting its fiscal house in order, and Treasurer Shawn Wooden appreciates that we can now borrow at the lowest interest rates in our history, helping us to rebuild our economy at less cost to our taxpayers.

COVID brings us back to healthcare, the fastest growing piece of our state budget and your family budget. This year, we implemented cost and quality benchmarks for healthcare procedures and services, similar to the benchmarks that have saved Massachusetts families and taxpayers billions of dollars.

Comptroller Kevin Lembo continues to prioritize centers of healthcare excellence where your family can count on higher quality healthcare at less cost. This is true for our small businesses and state employees alike.

Attorney General William Tong is pushing to hold down generic drug prices. This year, Connecticut expanded healthcare access at less cost for the first time in years.

Two years ago, I said I do not want our state defined by a chronic fiscal crisis, which had been our norm and was sapping our confidence. Today, I don't want our state to be defined by a COVID crisis – instead, I want this to be the year we changed the narrative of Connecticut. Let this be the year of the Connecticut comeback!

There are many reasons young families and new businesses are giving us a second look and choosing Connecticut. Perhaps it's the quality of our education, or a more stable fiscal outlook.

Maybe it's our mayors, who creatively brought our cities and town centers to life, including some of the best and safest outdoor dining experiences in the country.

COVID may not be our last pandemic, and our new neighbors arriving in moving vans prefer quarantining in a small backyard rather than in a small apartment or telecommuting rather than taking a crowded subway.

Whatever the reason, as people seek to improve the quality of their lives, they are choosing Connecticut. Tens of thousands of young families have moved to the state for the first time in a generation because they recognize and appreciate our Connecticut values.

Connecticut was ranked one of the best states in the country to raise a family, for women, for working mothers, and for public safety.

Within those rankings, Connecticut ranks even higher for education, childcare, and women's health. COVID has pushed too many women out of the workforce, but not for long.

Lt. Governor Susan Bysiewicz leads a Council on Women and Girls to make sure we stay the most family-friendly state in the country and a leader for pay equity.

In this coming year, we will be expanding our commitment to affordable housing, access to broadband, transit-oriented development, open choice school incentives, as well as an expansion of our workforce development and small business growth fund. That's how we get Connecticut growing again, and working for all of our families, with liberty and justice for all.

The Connecticut I know is a state which hasn't and won't let itself be defined by this crisis. Instead, it's a state which responded to its generational calling with thousands of volunteers providing food, support, and encouragement to hundreds of cars filled with hungry families at the Rentschler Field Food Distribution Center, nurses coming out of retirement to help at COVID clinics, college students stepping up to serve as apprentice teachers, business leaders leveraging their contacts to provide the state with masks and gowns, and countless other examples of Connecticut meeting its generational challenge.

These are Connecticut values.

The next year will continue to be a challenging time for our state and nation, but I have never been more optimistic about our future.

Through our shared values and commitment to one another, we will rise above this crisis and build a better tomorrow. Today is the first day of Connecticut's comeback story.

God bless you all. And may God continue to bless the great State of Connecticut.