

**SENATE
List of Bills**

S.B. No. 35 (COMM) COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN. 'AN ACT CONCERNING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION EXPENSES FOR CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS ADOPTED THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES' FOSTER CARE PROGRAM', to expand the policy for financial assistance for post-secondary education expenses to youths adopted on or after January 1, 2001 through the Department of Children and Families foster care program.

REF. COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN

S.B. No. 36 (COMM) COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN. 'AN ACT CONCERNING SCHOOL LUNCH DEBT', to prohibit disciplinary action against public school children for unpaid school lunch charges and to allow any public or private parties to donate to payoff such debt.

REF. COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN

Proposed **S.B. No. 615** SEN. FORMICA, 20th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES TO THE CITY OF NEW LONDON FOR THE CONNECTICUT PORT AUTHORITY PROPERTY', to reimburse the city of New London for losses on nontaxable property.

REF. APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed **S.B. No. 616** SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT ELIMINATING CERTAIN FUNDING FOR THE XL CENTER AND THE CITY OF HARTFORD AND INCREASING FUNDING FOR SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS', to provide funding for school safety programs in all towns and cities in the state by reducing certain state funding for the XL Center and the city of Hartford.

REF. APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed **S.B. No. 617** SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT PREVENTING OVERTIME PAYMENTS FROM BEING USED TO CALCULATE THE RETIREMENT INCOME OF STATE EMPLOYEES', to prohibit the calculation of a state employee's pension from including overtime pay.

REF. APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed [S.B. No. 618](#) SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT REDUCING NONEDUCATION AID TO THE CITY OF HARTFORD', to reverse the fiscal impact to the state of the debt service agreement between the state and the city of Hartford.

REF. APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed [S.B. No. 619](#) SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT PROHIBITING THE USE OF STATE FUNDS FOR BALLPARKS FOR PROFESSIONAL SPORTS TEAMS', to prevent the misuse of state funds.

REF. APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed [S.B. No. 620](#) SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A PUBLIC HEARING REQUIREMENT FOR BUDGET EARMARKS', to require public hearings for earmarks.

REF. APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed [S.B. No. 621](#) SEN. KELLY, 21st DIST.; SEN. FORMICA, 20th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION TO ADOPT ZERO-BASED BUDGETING', to promote fiscal accountability.

REF. APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed [S.B. No. 622](#) SEN. SOMERS, 18th DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO INCREASE THE ABILITY OF EASTERN CONNECTICUT TO PRODUCE FARM-TO-TABLE FOOD', to promote farm-to-table food in eastern Connecticut.

REF. COMMERCE

Proposed [S.B. No. 623](#) SEN. SOMERS, 18th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY OF AN INTERMODAL TRANSPORTATION CENTER IN THE TOWN OF MYSTIC', to require the Department of Economic and Community Development to conduct a feasibility study regarding the establishment of an intermodal transportation center in the town of Mystic.

REF. COMMERCE

Proposed [S.B. No. 624](#) SEN. SOMERS, 18th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING CONNECTICUT TOURISM COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP', to require that a representative of the Connecticut Tourism Coalition be a member of the Connecticut Tourism Council.

REF. COMMERCE

Proposed [S.B. No. 625](#) SEN. OSTEN, 19th DIST.; SEN. ANWAR, 3rd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A DATABASE OF STATE BUSINESSES, SUPPLY CHAINS AND WORKFORCE TOOLS', to establish a database of state businesses, supply chains and workforce tools.

REF. COMMERCE

Proposed [S.B. No. 626](#) SEN. MARTIN, 31st DIST.; REP. BETTS, 78th DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN ENTERPRISE ZONE IN THE TOWN OF PLYMOUTH', to encourage economic development in the town of Plymouth.

REF. COMMERCE

Proposed [S.B. No. 627](#) SEN. MARONEY, 14th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING OPPORTUNITY ZONES', to provide internships, support and financial assistance to businesses in federally designated opportunity zones.

REF. COMMERCE

Proposed [S.B. No. 628](#) SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT INCREASING CONSUMER CHOICE IN ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION SERVICES AND PRODUCTS FOR MUNICIPAL RESIDENTS', to increase consumer choice in electric distribution services and products for municipal residents.

REF. ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY

Proposed [S.B. No. 629](#) SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT ELIMINATING A CHARGE ASSESSED TO END USE CUSTOMERS OF ELECTRIC SERVICES', to eliminate a surcharge assessed on electric bills which are deposited into the Clean Energy Fund.

REF. ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY

Proposed [S.B. No. 630](#) SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT REMOVING ENERGY PROCUREMENT AUTHORITY FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION', to remove energy procurement authority from the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection.

REF. ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY

Proposed [S.B. No. 631](#) SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING BATTERY STORAGE', to review the effectiveness of battery-storage technology and its impact on ratepayer bills.

REF. ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY

Proposed [S.B. No. 632](#) SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION COMPANIES TO OFFER A SERVICE TO ITS CUSTOMERS PROVIDING GENERATOR CONNECTIONS', to require electric distribution companies to offer a service to its customers providing for the connection of a generator.

REF. ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY

Proposed [S.B. No. 633](#) SEN. OSTEN, 19th DIST.; REP. SMITH, 48th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING CERTAIN SOLAR POWER FACILITIES AND NET METERING CREDITS FOR MUNICIPALITIES WHERE SUCH FACILITIES ARE LOCATED', to allow certain municipalities to receive net metering credits generated by certain solar power facilities within such municipalities.

REF. ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY

Proposed [S.B. No. 634](#) SEN. OSTEN, 19th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING GENERATORS FOR RETAIL SELLERS OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS', to require retail sellers of petroleum products to have generators during power outages.

REF. ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY

Proposed [S.B. No. 635](#) SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT DECOUPLING THE STATE'S LIGHT DUTY MOTOR VEHICLE EMISSION STANDARDS FROM THE STANDARDS OF CALIFORNIA', to decouple the state's light duty motor vehicle emission standards from the standards of California.

REF. ENVIRONMENT

Proposed [S.B. No. 636](#) SEN. SOMERS, 18th DIST.; REP. LANOUE, 45th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY OF ENFORCEMENT JURISDICTION ON BODIES OF WATER AND ADJACENT ROADWAYS COVERING MORE THAN ONE JURISDICTION', to maintain public safety in areas that are covered by more than one jurisdiction, including Beach Pond in Voluntown.

REF. ENVIRONMENT

Proposed [S.B. No. 637](#) SEN. COHEN, 12th DIST.; SEN. NEEDLEMAN, 33rd DIST. 'AN ACT TEMPORARILY SUSPENDING THE SALES AND USE TAXES ON PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT FOR BUSINESSES', to suspend, for businesses through the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, the imposition of the sales and use taxes on the sale of and the storage, use or other consumption in this state of personal protective equipment.

REF. FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING

Proposed [S.B. No. 638](#) SEN. OSTEN, 19th DIST. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS AT CERTAIN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS', to provide funding for capital projects at certain volunteer fire departments.

REF. FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING

Proposed [S.B. No. 639](#) SEN. OSTEN, 19th DIST. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR THE INSTALLATION OF SIDEWALKS IN THE TOWN OF LISBON', to provide funding for the installation of sidewalks in the town of Lisbon.

REF. FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING

Proposed [S.B. No. 640](#) SEN. LESSER, 9th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS AND CAMPAIGN FINANCE', to regulate social media platforms for campaign finance purposes.

REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Proposed [S.B. No. 641](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING MANUFACTURERS OF BRAND-NAME PRESCRIPTION DRUGS TO PROVIDE SAMPLES OF SUCH DRUGS TO MANUFACTURERS OF GENERIC PRESCRIPTION DRUGS', to promote competition in the prescription drug market by allowing developers of generic drugs and biosimilar products to obtain reference samples.

REF. GENERAL LAW

Proposed [S.B. No. 642](#) SEN. SOMERS, 18th DIST. 'AN ACT CHANGING CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN LICENSED PROFESSIONALS', to change continuing education requirements for certain licensed professionals.

REF. GENERAL LAW

Proposed [S.B. No. 643](#) SEN. SOMERS, 18th DIST. 'AN ACT ALLOWING GROCERY STORE PERMITTEES TO SELL WINE', to allow for the sale of wine in grocery stores.

REF. GENERAL LAW

Proposed [S.B. No. 644](#) SEN. FORMICA, 20th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING MEDICAL MARIJUANA REGISTRATION TIME PERIODS', to correct the registration period of medical marijuana registrations so that they are valid for one year.

REF. GENERAL LAW

Proposed [S.B. No. 645](#) SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT CREATING A RECIPROCAL OCCUPATIONAL LICENSURE AGREEMENT WITH NEW ENGLAND STATES FOR TRADE LICENSES', to create a reciprocal occupational licensure agreement with New England states for trade licenses.

REF. GENERAL LAW

Proposed [S.B. No. 646](#) SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT CREATING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY OCCUPATIONAL LICENSES IN CONNECTICUT', to reduce the burden of obtaining an occupational license in Connecticut by removing unnecessary barriers to licensure and employment.
REF. GENERAL LAW

Proposed [S.B. No. 647](#) SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING CLUB AND NONPROFIT CLUB ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR PERMIT FEES', to provide financial relief to nonprofit clubs and private clubs from increasing liquor permit fees.
REF. GENERAL LAW

Proposed [S.B. No. 648](#) SEN. MINER, 30th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING ANNUAL FEES FOR CLUB AND NONPROFIT CLUB LIQUOR PERMITS', to provide financial relief to nonprofit clubs and private clubs from increased liquor permit fees.
REF. GENERAL LAW

Proposed [S.B. No. 649](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE AVAILABILITY OF GENERIC PHARMACEUTICALS', to preserve patient access to affordable prescription drugs.
REF. GENERAL LAW

Proposed [S.B. No. 650](#) SEN. COHEN, 12th DIST. 'AN ACT ALLOWING THE SALE OF HARD CIDER IN GROCERY STORES', to allow the sale of hard cider in grocery stores.
REF. GENERAL LAW

Proposed [S.B. No. 651](#) SEN. BRADLEY, 23rd DIST. 'AN ACT ALLOWING MUNICIPALITIES TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE CONNECTICUT HIGHER EDUCATION TRUST AND 529 PLANS', to allow municipalities to contribute to the Connecticut Higher Education Trust and qualified tuition programs exempt from taxation under Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code.
REF. HIGHER EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT

Proposed [S.B. No. 652](#) SEN. MARONEY, 14th DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TAX CREDIT FOR DONATIONS TO THE ROBERTA B. WILLIS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM', to establish a tax credit for donations to the Roberta B. Willis Scholarship program.
REF. HIGHER EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT

Proposed [S.B. No. 653](#) SEN. MARONEY, 14th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING MINORITY TEACHER RECRUITMENT', to market the minority teacher recruitment program, establish a mentorship program for minority teachers and establish a student loan forgiveness program for minority teachers who teach in certain school districts.

REF. HIGHER EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT

Proposed [S.B. No. 654](#) SEN. MARONEY, 14th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING HIGH-NEED CERTIFICATE AND TRAINING PROGRAMS AND ESTABLISHING THE "NUTMEG INTERNSHIP PROGRAM"', to (1) designate certain certificate and training programs as high-need programs, (2) allow the Connecticut Higher Education Supplemental Loan Authority to issue loans to individuals for the completion of such high-need certificate programs, (3) allow employers who pay such Connecticut Higher Education Supplemental Loan Authority loans on behalf of employees to claim a tax credit, (4) establish a mentorship program for students in the debt-free community college program who enroll in such high-need certificate programs, and (5) establish a state internship program.

REF. HIGHER EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT

Proposed [S.B. No. 655](#) SEN. MARONEY, 14th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING THE OFFICE OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH A CORPORATE LIAISON PROGRAM', to require the Office of Higher Education to establish a corporate liaison program accessible to every institution of higher education in the state.

REF. HIGHER EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT

Proposed [S.B. No. 656](#) SEN. KELLY, 21st DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY HEALTH INSURANCE AND HEALTH CARE INEQUITY IN THIS STATE', to establish a task force to: (1) Study inequity in the provision of health insurance coverage and health care services in this state; and (2) identify any means available to promote equity in the provision of health insurance coverage and health care services in this state.

REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE

Proposed [S.B. No. 657](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR UNDOCUMENTED IMMIGRANTS IN THIS STATE', to establish a task force to study health insurance coverage for undocumented immigrants in this state.

REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE

Proposed [S.B. No. 658](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING EMPLOYERS TO RECALL LAID-OFF WORKERS IN ORDER OF SENIORITY', to provide protection for laid-off employees.
REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed [S.B. No. 659](#) SEN. FORMICA, 20th DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN OPIOID RECOVERY AND REFORM PILOT PROGRAM', to create an opioid recovery and reform pilot program to assist in employment opportunities.
REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed [S.B. No. 660](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST. 'AN ACT EXPANDING WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFITS FOR MENTAL OR EMOTIONAL IMPAIRMENTS SUFFERED BY ALL WORKERS', to expand workers' compensation benefits for mental or emotional impairments to cover all workers.
REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed [S.B. No. 661](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING CAPTIVE AUDIENCE MEETINGS', to prohibit an employer from coercing employees into attending or participating in meetings sponsored by the employer concerning the employer's views on political or religious matters.
REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed [S.B. No. 662](#) SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT EXTENDING OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION TEN-HOUR TRAINING CARD VALIDITY', to reduce costs to state contractors by extending Occupational Safety and Health Administration ten-hour training card validity from five years to ten years.
REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed [S.B. No. 663](#) SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING HOMEMAKERS AND COMPANIONS AND NONCOMPETE PROVISIONS', to eliminate the prohibition on noncompete provisions in private employment contracts for homemakers and companions.
REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed [S.B. No. 664](#) SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING CLEAR AND CONSPICUOUS STATEMENTS CONCERNING A STATE OR MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEE'S RIGHT TO OPT OUT OF A UNION', to provide clear disclosures on collective bargaining agreements.
REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed [S.B. No. 665](#) SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT ALLOWING EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE PROVIDERS TO OBTAIN WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFITS FOR CERTAIN MENTAL OR EMOTIONAL IMPAIRMENTS', to allow emergency medical service providers to obtain workers' compensation benefits for certain mental or emotional impairments.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed [S.B. No. 666](#) SEN. OSTEN, 19th DIST.; REP. TURCO, 27th DIST.; REP. NOLAN, 39th DIST.; REP. RILEY, 46th DIST.; REP. SMITH, 48th DIST.; REP. RYAN, 139th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFITS FOR CERTAIN MENTAL OR EMOTIONAL IMPAIRMENTS AND MENTAL HEALTH CARE FOR CORRECTIONAL STAFF, EMERGENCY MEDICAL STAFF AND DISPATCHERS', to provide workers' compensation coverage for certain mental or emotional impairments for Department of Correction and emergency medical staff and dispatchers.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed [S.B. No. 667](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING DOMESTIC WORKERS', to expand the application of various labor laws to domestic workers.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed [S.B. No. 668](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A FAIR WORK WEEK SCHEDULE', to prohibit on-call shift scheduling.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed [S.B. No. 669](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE RIGHT OF A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE TO JOIN OR SUPPORT A UNION', to ensure workers continue to have the right to effective union representation.

REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Proposed [S.B. No. 670](#) SEN. CICARELLA, 34th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING COMMUNITY INVESTMENT BOARDS AND NEIGHBORHOOD ASSISTANCE', to (1) require certain municipalities to establish community investment boards to identify priorities for the use of municipal revenue sharing grants and select grants for payment in lieu of taxes, (2) require the Office of Policy and Management to accept proposals for solutions to problems specific to urban areas and establish pilot programs to implement such proposals, and (3) establish a task force to study issues concerning nonprofit providers.

REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Proposed [S.B. No. 671](#) SEN. CABRERA, 17th DIST.; SEN. HARTLEY, 15th DIST.; REP. REBIMBAS, 70th DIST.; REP. LABRIOLA, 131st DIST. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF NAUGATUCK TO ISSUE PENSION DEFICIT FUNDING BONDS', to authorize the borough of Naugatuck to issue an additional series of pension deficit funding bonds.

REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Proposed [S.B. No. 672](#) SEN. CASSANO, 4th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING LATE PAYMENT OF TAXES ON COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES', to allow municipalities to waive penalties, fees or interest accrued on commercial properties for the 2020 fiscal year.

REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Proposed [S.B. No. 673](#) SEN. OSTEN, 19th DIST. 'AN ACT PERMITTING COACHES OF INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS TO WORK WITH STUDENTS DURING THE OFF-SEASON', to allow coaches of interscholastic athletics to work with high school athletes during the off-season.

REF. EDUCATION

Proposed [S.B. No. 674](#) SEN. MARONEY, 14th DIST.; SEN. WITKOS, 8th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE INCLUSION OF COMPUTER SCIENCE AMONG THE STEM CREDIT REQUIREMENTS FOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION', to include computer science among the STEM credit requirements of the high school graduation requirements.

REF. EDUCATION

Proposed [S.B. No. 675](#) SEN. MARONEY, 14th DIST.; SEN. WITKOS, 8th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE SUBMISSION OF PROGRESS REPORTS ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONNECTICUT COMPUTER SCIENCE PLAN', to require the Department of Education to submit annual progress reports, through 2025, concerning the implementation of the Connecticut Computer Science Plan.

REF. EDUCATION

Proposed [S.B. No. 676](#) SEN. MARONEY, 14th DIST. 'AN ACT PROHIBITING THE USE OF POLYSTYRENE PRODUCTS IN SCHOOLS', to ban the use of polystyrene products in public schools in the state.

REF. EDUCATION

Proposed [S.B. No. 677](#) SEN. COHEN, 12th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE COMPLETION OF AN ANTI-RACISM COURSE FOR PURPOSES OF EDUCATOR CERTIFICATION', to require the inclusion of an anti-racism course component as part of the Connecticut educator certification requirements.

REF. EDUCATION

Proposed [S.B. No. 678](#) SEN. SLAP, 5th DIST.; SEN. HWANG, 28th DIST.; SEN. ANWAR, 3rd DIST.; SEN. OSTEN, 19th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE INCLUSION OF ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN STUDIES IN THE SOCIAL STUDIES CURRICULUM', to include Asian Pacific American studies in the public school curriculum.

REF. EDUCATION

Proposed [S.B. No. 679](#) SEN. OSTEN, 19th DIST. 'AN ACT PROHIBITING SMOKING AT CERTAIN PRIVATE, NONPROFIT BEHAVIORAL HEALTH FACILITIES', to extend the smoking ban to private, nonprofit behavioral health facilities that are funded by or have a contract with the state.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [S.B. No. 680](#) SEN. OSTEN, 19th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE AVAILABILITY OF PUBLIC RESTROOMS', to aid members of the public with required access to a public restroom in any commercial or retail establishment.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [S.B. No. 681](#) SEN. KISSEL, 7th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PATIENT ACCESS TO MEDICAL RECORDS', to allow a patient access to his or her medical records.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [S.B. No. 682](#) SEN. OSTEN, 19th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A UNIVERSAL ASSESSMENT SYSTEM FOR SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES AND OTHER STATE AGENCIES', to authorize a universal assessment system for programs serving persons with intellectual disability or developmental disabilities and the establishment of an advisory committee that includes persons with intellectual disability or developmental disabilities, their families and advocates.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [S.B. No. 683](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING HOSPITAL BILLING AND COLLECTION EFFORTS BY HOSPITALS AND COLLECTION AGENTS', to: (1) Restrict (A) the amount that a hospital or collection agent may recover from an uninsured or underinsured patient for the unpaid cost of health care, and (B) the manner in which a hospital or collection agent may secure or recover payment for the unpaid cost of health care; and (2) modify provisions concerning hospital billing practices to protect patients who receive health care at outpatient clinics that are owned by, or affiliated with, hospitals.

REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [S.B. No. 684](#) SEN. FORMICA, 20th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE ISSUANCE OF REMOVABLE WINDSHIELD PLACARDS TO PARENTS AND GUARDIANS', to facilitate the care and transportation of persons who are blind or persons with disabilities.

REF. TRANSPORTATION

Proposed [S.B. No. 685](#) SEN. FORMICA, 20th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING ACCESS TO INTERSTATE 95 NORTHBOUND AT THE WATERFORD WEIGH STATION', to permit access to Interstate Route 95 northbound at the Waterford weigh station to alleviate traffic due to the construction and use of a facility located at 140 Parkway South, Waterford, Connecticut.

REF. TRANSPORTATION

Proposed [S.B. No. 686](#) SEN. SAMPSON, 16th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING MEMBERS OF CANINE SEARCH AND RESCUE ORGANIZATIONS', to allow members of canine search and rescue organizations to safely respond to emergencies.

REF. TRANSPORTATION

Proposed [S.B. No. 687](#) SEN. OSTEN, 19th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING DRIVERS TO GRANT THE RIGHT-OF-WAY TO PUBLIC TRANSIT BUSES', to improve the safety of motorists by requiring motorists to grant the right-of-way to public transit buses.

REF. TRANSPORTATION

Proposed [S.B. No. 688](#) SEN. OSTEN, 19th DIST.; REP. SMITH, 48th DIST.; REP. NOLAN, 39th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING THE INSTALLATION OF CAMERA VIDEO SYSTEMS INSIDE SCHOOL BUSES AND STUDENT TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES USED TO TRANSPORT CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS', to ensure the safety of children with special needs by requiring the installation of camera video systems inside school buses or student transportation vehicles used for their transportation.

REF. TRANSPORTATION

Proposed [S.B. No. 689](#) SEN. MARONEY, 14th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO DEVELOP A PLAN FOR A SOLAR ENERGY PROGRAM', to require the Department of Transportation to develop a plan for a solar energy program.

REF. TRANSPORTATION

Proposed [S.B. No. 690](#) SEN. SOMERS, 18th DIST. 'AN ACT NAMING A PORTION OF ROUTE 14 IN HONOR OF RUSSELL M. GRAY', to name a portion of Route 14 in honor of former first selectman Russell M. Gray in recognition of his service to the town of Sterling.

REF. TRANSPORTATION

Proposed [S.B. No. 691](#) SEN. OSTEN, 19th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE PENALTIES FOR PASSING A SCHOOL BUS', to increase the penalties for passing a school bus and remit fifty per cent of the fine amounts received for passing a school bus to the local or regional school district in which the violation occurred.

REF. TRANSPORTATION

Proposed [S.B. No. 692](#) SEN. KELLY, 21st DIST. 'AN ACT EXEMPTING CERTAIN VETERANS' BENEFITS FROM INCOME WHEN DETERMINING ELIGIBILITY FOR STATE MEDICAID PROGRAMS', to exempt any federal veterans' benefits from income when determining eligibility for state Medicaid programs and to authorize the Commissioner of Social Services to exempt such benefits from income eligibility criteria as unreimbursed medical expenses.

REF. VETERANS' AFFAIRS

[S.B. No. 693](#) (RAISED) GENERAL LAW. 'AN ACT CONCERNING CHANGES TO CONSUMER PROTECTION STATUTES', to amend consumer protection statutes concerning health clubs and the automobile lemon law.

REF. GENERAL LAW

[S.B. No. 694](#) (RAISED) GENERAL LAW. 'AN ACT CONCERNING REVISIONS TO PHARMACY AND DRUG CONTROL STATUTES', to make revisions to Department of Consumer Protection pharmacy and drug control statutes.

REF. GENERAL LAW

[S.B. No. 695](#) (RAISED) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PENALTIES FOR FAILURE TO FILE CERTAIN PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT INFORMATION AND CONTINGENCY AGREEMENTS FOR EXPERT TESTIMONY IN CERTAIN TAX ASSESSMENT APPEALS', to (1) impose a certain penalty on owners of certain real property for failure to file certain information requested by the assessor, (2) allow for filings postmarked within the applicable filing period to be deemed not delinquent, (3) apply existing billing practices to tax bills issued to such owners, and (4) prohibit the use of certain expert witnesses in certain tax assessment appeals if such witness is compensated on a contingency basis for such testimony.

REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

S.B. No. 696 (RAISED) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE LEGISLATIVE COMMISSIONERS' RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MINOR AND TECHNICAL REVISIONS TO STATUTES CONCERNING PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT', to make minor and technical revisions to statutes concerning planning and development.

REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

S.B. No. 697 (RAISED) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT. 'AN ACT CONCERNING CERTAIN MUNICIPAL AGREEMENTS TO FIX ASSESSMENTS', to allow the boards of selectmen, instead of the town meetings, of certain municipalities to enter into certain agreements to fix assessments.

REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

S.B. No. 698 (RAISED) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE ONLINE PUBLICATION OF LEGAL NOTICES BY MUNICIPALITIES', to permit the posting of advertisements of legal notices on municipal Internet web sites.

REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

S.B. No. 699 (RAISED) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT. 'AN ACT CONCERNING ALTERNATE MEMBERS OF MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSIONS', to permit members of municipal zoning commissions and municipal boards of appeals to serve as alternate members of municipal planning commissions.

REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

S.B. No. 700 (RAISED) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE DISCLOSURE OF DAMS AND SIMILAR STRUCTURES BY SELLERS OF REAL PROPERTY', to require the seller of real property on which a dam or similar structure is located to disclose the existence of such dam or similar structure on a residential condition report.

REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

S.B. No. 701 (RAISED) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE BOLTON LAKES REGIONAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY', to permit the board of directors of the Bolton Lakes Regional Water Pollution Control Authority to authorize expansion of the authority's wastewater system into the town of Coventry and take any action the board deems necessary to implement such expansion.

REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

S.B. No. 702 (RAISED) COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A PROGRAM TO PROVIDE FREE SWIMMING LESSONS TO INDIVIDUALS UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN', to require the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection to establish and administer a program to provide free swimming lessons to individuals under the age of eighteen.

REF. COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN