

Commerce Committee JOINT FAVORABLE REPORT

Bill No.: SB-430

AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR AN ADVANCED
MANUFACTURING APPRENTICESHIP AND COMMUNITY ROBOTICS

Title: CENTER.

Vote Date: 3/21/2024

Vote Action: Joint Favorable Change of Reference to Finance, Revenue and Bonding

PH Date: 3/19/2024

File No.:

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SPONSORS OF BILL:

REP. POULOS
REP. WOOD

REASONS FOR BILL:

Connecticut's economic status depends upon its ability to adapt and thrive in an ever-evolving global landscape. SB-430, emerges as a strategic investment in the state's future workforce and industrial competitiveness.

RESPONSE FROM ADMINISTRATION/AGENCY:

Ashley Zane, Senior Public Policy Associate-CBIA

Ms. Zane believes SB430 is important because the CT manufacturing sector is growing at rapid rates, as a result, the need to produce a highly skilled workforce is more important than ever.

NATURE AND SOURCES OF SUPPORT:

Aziz Dehkan, Executive Director-CRCJ

Mr. Dehkan believes SB430 would fund an advanced manufacturing apprenticeship program and a community robotics center at Tunxis Community College, in turn ensure an adequate in-state workforce for this sector and will accelerate our transition to clean energy.

NATURE AND SOURCES OF OPPOSITION:

None Expressed.

Reported by: Hassan Ismail

Date: 03/27/2024

