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HOUSE BILLS

H.B. No. 5011 (RAISED) SELECT COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN. 'AN ACT EXTENDING FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE TO FOSTER PARENTS WHO ARE STATE EMPLOYEES', to provide a leave of absence for state employees due to the serious illness of a foster child, provided such leave does not exceed four weeks during any one-year period. REF. SELECT COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN

02/09/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Select Committee on Children
02/10/06 PUBLIC HEARING 02/16

03/09/06 JOINT FAVORABLE SUBSTITUTE CHANGE OF REFERENCE Human Services Committee
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03/13/06 FAVORABLE CHANGE OF REFERENCE, HOUSE TO COMMITTEE ON Human Services Committee

03/14/06 FAVORABLE CHANGE OF REFERENCE, SENATE TO COMMITTEE ON Human Services Committee

03/16/06 JOINT FAVORABLE CHANGE OF REFERENCE Government Administration and Elections Committee

H.B. No. 5018 REP. MILLER, 122nd DIST.; REP. HARKINS, 120th DIST. 'AN ACT EXEMPTING SOCIAL SECURITY INCOME FROM THE PERSONAL INCOME TAX', to exempt a portion of Social Security income from the personal income tax. REF. FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING

02/09/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee

H.B. No. 5019 REP. KALINOWSKI, 100th DIST. 'AN ACT EXEMPTING PENSION AND SOCIAL SECURITY INCOME FROM THE PERSONAL INCOME TAX', to exempt certain amounts of pension and Social Security income from the state personal income tax. REF. FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING

02/09/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee

[H.B. No. 5020](#) REP. MILLER, 122nd DIST.; REP. HARKINS, 120th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING AN EXEMPTION FROM THE STATE INCOME TAX FOR PENSION INCOME', to allow exemption from the state income tax of certain amounts of pension income. REF. FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING

02/09/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee

[H.B. No. 5022](#) REP. HOVEY, 112th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING AN EXEMPTION FROM PERSONAL INCOME TAX FOR ALL PENSION INCOME', to exempt pension income from the personal income tax. REF. FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING

02/09/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee

[H.B. No. 5033](#) (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PAID LEAVE FOR STATE EMPLOYEES RETURNING FROM OVERSEAS MILITARY DUTY', to ensure that state employees returning from active, overseas military duty of eighteen months or longer receive a two-week paid leave of absence. REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

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02/10/06 PUBLIC HEARING 02/14

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[H.B. No. 5035](#) (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING IMPACT STATEMENTS FOR MAJOR LAYOFFS OR DISMISSALS OF STATE EMPLOYEES', to require the submission of impact statements to the General Assembly prior to any major layoff or dismissal of state employees. REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

02/09/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Labor and Public Employees Committee

02/10/06 PUBLIC HEARING 02/14

03/07/06 JOINT FAVORABLE CHANGE OF REFERENCE Government Administration and Elections Committee

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03/10/06 FAVORABLE CHANGE OF REFERENCE, HOUSE TO COMMITTEE ON Government Administration and Elections Committee

03/13/06 FAVORABLE CHANGE OF REFERENCE, SENATE TO COMMITTEE ON Government Administration and Elections Committee

SUPPORT

H.B. No. 5037 (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE FOR CERTAIN OCCUPATIONAL DISEASES FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES PERSONNEL', to establish a rebuttable presumption that emergency rescue or public safety personnel who contract hepatitis, meningococcal meningitis or tuberculosis from their employment are eligible for workers' compensation benefits as long as they meet certain requirements. REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

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Proposed **H.B. No. 5044** REP. MIOLI, 136th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING FUNDING OF STATE MANDATES TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS', to reduce the property tax burden on local governments. REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

02/09/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Planning and Development Committee

Proposed **H.B. No. 5049** REP. KALINOWSKI, 100th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE VETERANS' PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION', to allow more veterans to receive the veterans' property tax exemption. REF. SELECT COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

02/09/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Select Committee on Veterans' Affairs

Bill Dead No Action By JF Deadline

Proposed **H.B. No. 5074** REP. DILLON, 92nd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATE EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT FUND', to transfer fifty million dollars from the surplus into the State Employees Retirement Fund. REF. APPROPRIATIONS

02/10/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Appropriations Committee

Proposed [H.B. No. 5113](#) REP. KIRKLEY-BEY, 5th DIST.; SEN. COLEMAN, 2nd DIST.; SEN. FONFARA, 1st DIST.; REP. GREEN, 1st DIST.; REP. MANTILLA, 4th DIST.; REP. MCCRORY, 7th DIST.; REP. FELTMAN, 6th DIST. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR A PUBLIC SAFETY COMPLEX IN THE CITY OF HARTFORD', to authorize bond funds to assist in the construction of a new public safety complex on the city of Hartford.REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

02/15/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Planning and Development Committee

[02/24/06 PUBLIC HEARING 03/03](#)

SUPPORT

[H.B. No. 5122](#) (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE EMPLOYMENT OF CONVICTED FELONS', to make convicted felons ineligible for the position of police officer, state trooper or firefighter.REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

02/15/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Public Safety and Security Committee

[02/17/06 PUBLIC HEARING 02/23](#)

03/07/06 JOINT FAVORABLE SUBSTITUTE CHANGE OF REFERENCE Judiciary Committee

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03/13/06 FAVORABLE CHANGE OF REFERENCE, SENATE TO COMMITTEE ON Judiciary Committee

[H.B. No. 5123](#) (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING SPARKLERS', to clarify the definition of legal sparklers and fountains.REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

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[H.B. No. 5125](#) (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A FIREFIGHTER TRAINING TASK FORCE', to create a task force to study firefighter training programs.REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

02/15/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Public Safety and Security Committee

02/17/06 PUBLIC HEARING 02/23

03/07/06 JOINT FAVORABLE SUBSTITUTE CHANGE OF REFERENCE Joint Committee on Legislative Management

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03/10/06 FAVORABLE CHANGE OF REFERENCE, SENATE TO COMMITTEE ON Joint Committee on Legislative Management

Proposed [H.B. No. 5158](#) REP. MILLER, 122nd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING AN EXEMPTION FROM PERSONAL INCOME TAX FOR INCOME FROM DEFINED BENEFIT PLANS AND SOCIAL SECURITY', to eliminate the income tax on pensions.REF. FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING

02/16/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee

Proposed [H.B. No. 5159](#) REP. WARD, 86th DIST.; REP. CAFERO, 142nd DIST.; REP. POWERS, 151st DIST. 'AN ACT EXEMPTING PENSIONS AND SOCIAL SECURITY FROM THE INCOME TAX', to eliminate the personal income tax on pensions and Social Security.REF. FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING

02/16/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee

Proposed [H.B. No. 5170](#) REP. GIULIANO, 23rd DIST. 'AN ACT ELIMINATING THE INCOME TAX ON PENSIONS', to eliminate the income tax on pensions.REF. FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING

02/16/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee

Proposed [H.B. No. 5175](#) REP. GIANNAROS, 21st DIST. 'AN ACT EXEMPTING INCOME TAX ON GOVERNMENT PENSIONS', to relieve the income tax burden on moderate income retirees.REF. FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING

02/16/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee

[H.B. No. 5207](#) (RAISED) GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS. 'AN ACT CONCERNING COURT REDUCTION OR REVOCATION OF PENSIONS OF STATE EMPLOYEES OR OFFICIALS WHO COMMIT FRAUD AGAINST THE STATE', to allow for the court ordered reduction or revocation of pension benefits when a state

employee or public official commits a crime related to state office.**REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS**

02/16/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Government Administration and Elections Committee
03/03/06 PUBLIC HEARING 03/08

Proposed [H.B. No. 5227](#) REP. BACCHIOCHI, 52nd DIST.; REP. SAWYER, 55th DIST.; SEN. GUGLIELMO, 35th DIST. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR THE TOLLAND COUNTY MUTUAL AID FIRE SERVICE', to provide a grant in funds to the Tolland County Mutual Aid Fire Service for a radio system to allow all emergency services personnel to communicate with each other.**REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY**

02/16/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Public Safety and Security Committee
02/23/06 CHANGE OF REFERENCE Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee
02/27/06 CHANGE OF REFERENCE, HOUSE TO COMMITTEE ON Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee
02/27/06 CHANGE OF REFERENCE, SENATE TO COMMITTEE ON Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee

Proposed [H.B. No. 5228](#) REP. PAWELKIEWICZ, 49th DIST.; REP. ORANGE, 48th DIST. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AT REGIONAL FIRE SCHOOLS', to authorize bonds for capital improvement of regional fire schools for the second phase under the five-year regional fire school improvement plan.**REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY**

02/16/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Public Safety and Security Committee
02/23/06 CHANGE OF REFERENCE Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee
02/27/06 CHANGE OF REFERENCE, HOUSE TO COMMITTEE ON Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee
02/27/06 CHANGE OF REFERENCE, SENATE TO COMMITTEE ON Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee

Proposed [H.B. No. 5229](#) REP. CARDIN, 53rd DIST. 'AN ACT EXEMPTING STIPENDS TO VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS FROM THE INCOME TAX', to exempt income received by volunteer firefighters for their work from being taxed by the state.**REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY**

02/16/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Public Safety and Security Committee
Bill Dead No Action By JF Deadline

Proposed [H.B. No. 5278](#) REP. FREY, 111th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING WORKERS' COMPENSATION FOR INJURED OFF-DUTY POLICE OFFICERS, FIREFIGHTERS AND EMERGENCY SERVICES PERSONNEL', to permit police officers, firefighters and

emergency services personnel to collect workers' compensation for injuries sustained while responding to off-duty emergencies.**REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES**
02/16/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Labor and Public Employees Committee

H.B. No. 5281 (RAISED) **LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING CREDIT IN THE STATE EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR PRIOR STATE SERVICE'**, to credit all prior state service for purposes of state employee retirement.**REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES**

02/16/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Labor and Public Employees Committee
02/24/06 PUBLIC HEARING 02/28
03/16/06 JOINT FAVORABLE

H.B. No. 5282 (RAISED) **LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING LEAVE FOR STATE EMPLOYEES PROVIDING DISASTER RELIEF SERVICES'**, to clarify the length of leave a state employee may be granted to provide disaster relief services for the American Red Cross.**REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES**

02/16/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Labor and Public Employees Committee
02/24/06 PUBLIC HEARING 02/28

H.B. No. 5284 (RAISED) **PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT. 'AN ACT CONCERNING MODEL GUIDELINES FOR VOLUNTEER EMERGENCY PERSONNEL'**, to encourage municipalities to enable volunteer emergency personnel to provide services during time off from regular employment.**REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT**

02/16/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Planning and Development Committee
02/17/06 PUBLIC HEARING 02/22
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03/13/06 JOINT FAVORABLE SUBSTITUTE

Proposed **H.B. No. 5378** REP. FELTMAN, 6th DIST. **'AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR A PUBLIC SAFETY COMPLEX IN HARTFORD'**, to provide funds to Hartford for a public safety complex to match federal and city funds and enhance public safety.**REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT**

02/17/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Planning and Development Committee
02/24/06 PUBLIC HEARING 03/03

Proposed [H.B. No. 5382](#) REP. STONE, 9th DIST.; REP. CHRIST, 11th DIST.; REP. GENGA, 10th DIST.; SEN. LEBEAU, 3rd DIST. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR IMPROVEMENTS AT A FIRE STATION IN EAST HARTFORD', to provide funds to East Hartford to renovate and improve a fire station, thereby assisting the town in improving a vital, necessary public safety building.REF. **PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT**

02/17/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Planning and Development Committee
[02/24/06 PUBLIC HEARING 03/03](#)

Proposed [H.B. No. 5386](#) REP. REYNOLDS, 42nd DIST. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR EQUIPMENT AT THE POQUETANUCK FIRE STATION IN THE TOWN OF PRESTON', to provide funds for equipment at the Poquetanuck Fire Station in the town of Preston, thereby protecting the health and safety of volunteer firefighters and residents in the town.REF. **PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT**

02/17/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Planning and Development Committee
[02/24/06 PUBLIC HEARING 03/03](#)

OPPOSE

[H.B. No. 5393](#) (RAISED) PROGRAM REVIEW AND INVESTIGATIONS. 'AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM REVIEW AND INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE RELATING TO BINDING ARBITRATION FOR MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES', to revise statutes relating to municipal binding arbitration in accordance with the recommendations of the program review and investigations committee.REF. **PROGRAM REVIEW AND INVESTIGATIONS**

02/17/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Program Review and Investigations Committee
[02/23/06 PUBLIC HEARING 02/28](#)
03/09/06 MOTION FAILED JF

Proposed [H.B. No. 5396](#) REP. GRAZIANI, 57th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING AN INCOME TAX CREDIT FOR MEMBERS OF VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND AMBULANCE CORPS', to keep and attract members for those that sacrifice their time and safety for the benefit of the community.REF. **PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY**

02/17/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Public Safety and Security Committee

02/23/06 CHANGE OF REFERENCE Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee
02/27/06 CHANGE OF REFERENCE, HOUSE TO COMMITTEE ON Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee
02/27/06 CHANGE OF REFERENCE, SENATE TO COMMITTEE ON Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee

[H.B. No. 5552](#) (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING RETIREMENT BENEFIT OPTIONS FOR SPOUSES OF CERTAIN DECEASED STATE EMPLOYEES', to allow spouses of state employees who die with twenty-five years of service to elect retirement benefits from among options.REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

02/23/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Labor and Public Employees Committee
[02/24/06 PUBLIC HEARING 02/28](#)

[H.B. No. 5575](#) (RAISED) GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE APPLICABILITY OF THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT TO CERTAIN ARBITRATION PROCEEDINGS', to allow state employees who wish to have their arbitration proceedings conducted in public the ability to do so.REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

02/24/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Government Administration and Elections Committee
[03/02/06 PUBLIC HEARING 03/06](#)

[H.B. No. 5583](#) (RAISED) GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE DISCLOSURE OF THE RESIDENTIAL ADDRESSES OF CERTAIN PUBLIC EMPLOYEES', to eliminate the inconsistent application of the Freedom of Information Act as it relates to the disclosure of the residential address of nonelected public officials and employees.REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

02/24/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Government Administration and Elections Committee
[03/02/06 PUBLIC HEARING 03/06](#)

[H.B. No. 5614](#) (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE IMPERSONATION OF A POLICE OFFICER, INSPECTOR OR FIREFIGHTER', to prohibit the impersonation of a police officer, inspector in the Division of Criminal Justice or firefighter in order to commit a crime.REF. JUDICIARY

02/28/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Judiciary Committee
[03/10/06 PUBLIC HEARING 03/14](#)

H.B. No. 5648 (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING LEAVE FOR MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES RESPONDING TO FIRE CALLS', to authorize municipal employees who are volunteer firefighters to miss work without prejudice while responding to fire calls.**REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES**

03/01/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Labor and Public Employees Committee

03/03/06 PUBLIC HEARING 03/07

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H.B. No. 5649 (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING STATE EMPLOYEE DONATION OF VACATION OR PERSONAL LEAVE', to permit a state employee to donate vacation or personal leave to any other state employee, regardless of job classification or membership in a collective bargaining agreement.**REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES**

03/01/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Labor and Public Employees Committee

03/03/06 PUBLIC HEARING 03/07

03/14/06 JOINT FAVORABLE SUBSTITUTE CHANGE OF REFERENCE Government Administration and Elections Committee

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H.B. No. 5703 (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE PURCHASE OF CREDIT FOR RETIREMENT PURPOSES UNDER THE STATE EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM', to allow certain state employees who were previously employed in Rhode Island or Arizona to purchase credit under the state employees retirement system.**REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES**

03/02/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Labor and Public Employees Committee

03/03/06 PUBLIC HEARING 03/07

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H.B. No. 5719 (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE CERTIFICATE OF NEED PROCESS FOR AMBULANCE AND MANAGEMENT SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS', to make the certificate of need process for new or expanded emergency medical services clearer and more consistent.**REF. PUBLIC HEALTH**

03/03/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Public Health Committee

03/10/06 PUBLIC HEARING 03/16

H.B. No. 5827 (RAISED) APPROPRIATIONS. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE PURCHASE OF CREDIT FOR RETIREMENT PURPOSES UNDER THE STATE EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM', to review the number of applications for additional credit for retirement purposes in the state employees retirement system received by the State Employees Retirement Commission each year, the number approved and the cost of such additional credit to the retirement fund.REF. APPROPRIATIONS

03/16/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Appropriations Committee

SENATE BILLS

SUPPORT

S.B. No. 16 (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT PROTECTING MUNICIPAL RETIREE HEALTH INSURANCE BENEFITS', to prohibit municipalities from eliminating or diminishing retiree health insurance benefits. REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

02/09/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Labor and Public Employees Committee

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S.B. No. 17 (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PORTAL-TO-PORTAL WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE FOR PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCHERS', to extend portal-to-portal workers' compensation coverage to Public Safety dispatchers under certain circumstances. REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

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S.B. No. 18 (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING SOCIAL SECURITY OFFSETS FOR STATE PENSIONS', to allow state employees to receive additional temporary monthly retirement income until they reach full retirement age under the Social Security Act, which may be later than age sixty-five. **REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES**

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SUPPORT

S.B. No. 20 (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING LABOR PROVISIONS OF SPECIAL ACT 01-1', to eliminate provisions pertaining to labor contracts in special act 01-1. **REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES**

02/09/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Labor and Public Employees Committee

02/17/06 PUBLIC HEARING 02/21

03/14/06 JOINT FAVORABLE SUBSTITUTE

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S.B. No. 22 (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE FOR EMPLOYEES OF MUNICIPALITIES', to extend the family and medical leave available to state employees to employees of municipalities. **REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES**

02/09/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Labor and Public Employees Committee

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03/14/06 JOINT FAVORABLE SUBSTITUTE

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S.B. No. 23 (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE FOR STATE EMPLOYEES', to allow state employees to use up to two weeks of accumulated sick leave while on family and medical leave due to the birth or adoption of a child or to care for a seriously ill child, spouse or parent REF.

LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

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S.B. No. 24 (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING LIABILITY OF EMPLOYERS WHO ENGAGE IN RECKLESS, WILFUL OR WANTON MISCONDUCT', to permit dependents of a deceased employee to seek damages from an employer whose reckless, wilful or wanton misconduct resulted in the employee's death. REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

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S.B. No. 25 (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING SOCIAL SECURITY OFFSETS UNDER THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION ACT', to eliminate the offset of Social Security old age benefits from Workers' Compensation total incapacity benefits for certain individuals. REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

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S.B. No. 26 (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING RETIREMENT BENEFITS FOR PUBLIC OFFICIALS OR EMPLOYEES COMMITTING

FELONIES ASSOCIATED WITH STATE EMPLOYMENT', to revoke or reduce state pension payments to a public official or state employee who is convicted of a felony related to his or her office or employment. **REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES**

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S.B. No. 27 (RAISED) **LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFITS FOR HYPERTENSION AND HEART DISEASE FOR FIREFIGHTERS'**, to create a presumption that injuries occurring from hypertension or heart disease while an on-duty municipal firefighter, who began employment on or after July 1, 1996, is responding to an emergency occurred in the line of duty and within the scope of the firefighter's employment. **REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES**

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S.B. No. 32 (RAISED) **INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE. 'AN ACT REQUIRING A COST-BENEFIT ANALYSIS OF HEALTH INSURANCE BENEFITS REQUIRED IN THIS STATE'**, to establish a working group to conduct a cost-benefit analysis of health insurance benefits required in this state and to examine the impact such benefits have on health insurance premiums. **REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE**

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S.B. No. 72 (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF EMERGENCY PERSONNEL BICYCLES WITH AUDIBLE WARNING DEVICES', to allow firefighters and emergency personnel certain exemptions while operating a bicycle in the course of duty. **REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY**

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S.B. No. 106 (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS IN RENTAL HOUSING', to extend the carbon monoxide detector requirements that all rental housing eligible under the existing law, without regard to the date of the building permit for new occupancy, and to make property owners responsible for such installation.**REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY**

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S.B. No. 107 (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING BENEFITS FOR SURVIVING SPOUSES OF PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS', to recognize the sacrifice of public safety officers killed in the line of duty.**REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY**

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S.B. No. 108 (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING GENERATORS IN SCHOOLS', to ensure that those schools that are used as a shelter in case of emergency have electrical power.**REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY**

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S.B. No. 109 (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING MULTILINE TELEPHONE SYSTEMS AND ENHANCED 9-1-1', to provide a comparable level of enhanced 9-1-1 telephone service to those wire line 9-1-1 callers using multi-line telephone systems as is available to those wire line 9-1-1 callers using the public switched telephone network and not connected to a multi-line telephone system.**REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY**

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S.B. No. 110 (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING AN EMERGENCY PROTOCOL', to clarify the protocol in case of terrorist threat, to give the Commissioner of Public Safety the authority to evaluate such threats, and to mandate communication with the Commissioner of Emergency Management and Homeland Security and local officials in the case of a credible threat.REF. **PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY**

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S.B. No. 184 (RAISED) GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS. 'AN ACT CONCERNING REVOCATION OF PENSION AND OTHER GOVERNMENTAL BENEFITS FOR CORRUPT STATE OR MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS', to enhance the integrity of the state and municipal governments.REF. **GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS**

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S.B. No. 217 (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING DISCRETIONARY BENEFITS UNDER THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION ACT', to give the chairman of the Workers' Compensation Commission sole discretion in determining awards for permanent partial disability benefits for body parts not included on the schedule of injuries listed in subsection (b) of section 31-308 of the general statutes.REF. **LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES**

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[S.B. No. 220](#) (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING COLLECTIVE BARGAINING BY STATE EMPLOYEES FOR MERIT SYSTEM PROMOTION AND APPOINTMENT', to allow state employees to bargain collectively about matters relating to the merit system for appointment and promotion of classified state employees.REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

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[S.B. No. 221](#) (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING LIGHT DUTY WORK UNDER THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION ACT', to require light duty work under the Workers' Compensation Act to be offered during days and hours comparable to those worked by the injured employee at the time of the injury.REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

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[S.B. No. 223](#) (RAISED) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE INSTALLATION OF AUTOMATIC SPRINKLERS', to promote water conservation by requiring installation of an override device to stop automatic sprinkler systems after adequate rainfall.REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

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Proposed [S.B. No. 255](#) SEN. FONFARA, 1st DIST.; REP. FELTMAN, 6th DIST.; REP. GREEN, 1st DIST.; REP. KIRKLEY-BEY, 5th DIST.; REP. MANTILLA, 4th DIST.; REP. MCCRORY, 7th DIST.; SEN. COLEMAN, 2nd DIST. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR A NEW PUBLIC SAFETY COMPLEX FOR THE CITY OF HARTFORD', to authorize \$15 million in bond funds to assist in the construction of a new public safety complex for the city of Hartford.REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

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02/23/06 CHANGE OF REFERENCE Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee

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02/27/06 CHANGE OF REFERENCE, HOUSE TO COMMITTEE ON Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee

S.B. No. 306 (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING MISUSE OF THE E 9-1-1 SYSTEM', to make misuse of the E 9-1-1 system a crime.REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

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S.B. No. 309 (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING EMERGENCY AND NONEMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AND THE CERTIFICATE OF NEED PROCESS', to allow certified or licensed emergency medical service providers to add one emergency vehicle to their service every three years without undergoing a needs assessment by the Office of Emergency Medical Services, to clarify the Commissioner of Public Health's responsibilities with respect to establishing methods for setting emergency service rates for certified ambulance services and to protect patients from the dangers of secondhand smoke while being transported to or from nonemergency medical services.REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

02/22/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Public Health Committee

02/24/06 PUBLIC HEARING 03/03

S.B. No. 389 (RAISED) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING DISTRESSED MUNICIPALITIES TO ESTABLISH A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ON RENTAL PROPERTY NOT COMPLYING WITH HEALTH, HOUSING AND SAFETY CODES', to authorize distressed municipalities to establish a special assessment on nonowner occupied rental property not in compliance with health, housing and safety codes and to provide a source of revenue for municipal code enforcement.REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

02/23/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Planning and Development Committee

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[S.B. No. 459](#) (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING ACCRUED LEAVE FOR STATE EMPLOYEES SERVING IN THE MILITARY', to ensure that state employees serving in active military service continue to accrue leave time.REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

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[03/03/06 PUBLIC HEARING 03/07](#)

[S.B. No. 463](#) (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE FOR STATE EMPLOYEES FOR THE SERIOUS ILLNESS OF A CHILD', to permit a state employee to take family and medical leave to care for an ill child who is in the care of the employee, such as a custodial grandparent.REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

03/01/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Labor and Public Employees Committee
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[S.B. No. 533](#) (RAISED) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT. 'AN ACT CONCERNING MUNICIPAL PENSION DEFICIT FUNDING BONDS', to clarify state statutes concerning municipal postemployment health and life benefit systems; to revise state statutes regarding municipal retiree benefit reserve funds in order to facilitate the transfer of funds held in such reserves to pension, retirement and OPEB (Other Post Employment Benefits) trusts; and to update the statutes with respect to the issuance of pension obligation bonds by municipalities.REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

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[S.B. No. 548](#) (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE AWARD OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION FOR SCARRING AND DISFIGUREMENT', to allow workers' compensation commissioners greater flexibility in awarding additional workers' compensation benefits for permanent, significant disfigurements or scars on any area of the body.REF. JUDICIARY

03/02/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Judiciary Committee

[S.B. No. 591](#) (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING WORKERS' COMPENSATION FOR OFF-DUTY STATE POLICE, FIREFIGHTERS AND

EMERGENCY SERVICES PERSONNEL', to allow state employed police officers, firefighters and emergency medical services personnel to receive workers' compensation for injuries sustained while responding to off-duty emergencies.**REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES**

03/07/06 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Labor and Public Employees Committee
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[S.B. No. 687](#) (RAISED) APPROPRIATIONS. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE EXPENDITURES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, THE POLICE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING COUNCIL AND THE BOARD OF FIREARMS PERMIT EXAMINERS', to review expenditures for the functions and activities of the Department of Public Safety, the Police Officer Standards and Training Council and the Board of Firearms Permit Examiners.**REF. APPROPRIATIONS**

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