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H.B. 5021	<b>H.B. No. 5021</b> REP. CAFERO, 142nd DIST.; SEN. MCKINNEY, 28th DIST. 'AN ACT MAKING ADJUSTMENTS TO THE BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM ENDING JUNE 30, 2009', to implement the Governor's budget recommendations. (Includes CSFA Disability Account State Fire Radio Network, & County Fire Radio Network funding unchanged from previous year) (Substitute=Adds \$1 million to training funding account to provide for fully funding training for FF-1, FF-2, FO-1, FI-1, & Recruit training Also adds additional funding requested for operating budgets for Regional Fire Schools <b>REF. APPROPRIATIONS 2/7/08</b>	2/11/2008 THRU 2/15/2008	3/26/2008 JFS TO FLOOR				
H.B. 5039	<b>H.B. No. 5039</b> REP. CAFERO, 142nd DIST.; SEN. MCKINNEY, 28th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING AN ENHANCED 9-1-1 SERVICE DATABASE', to implement the Governor's budget recommendations.  (Substitute=Provides that the provider has to turn over subscriber info to OSET, not the whole database, provides that OSET and the provider will enter into an agreement to reimburse the provider for its costs and amends the liability provision to shield the provider from liability stemming from use of the emergency notification system. See LCO No. 3144) <b>REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/7/08</b>	2/19/2008	3/6/2008 JFS TO FLOOR 4/3/2008 JF TO FLOOR	#52	3/19/2008 CALENDAR #46 3/26/2008 REFER to GOV. ADMIN. & ELECTIONS 4/4/2008 CALENDAR #46		
H.B. 5040	<b>H.B. No. 5040</b> REP. CAFERO, 142nd DIST.; SEN. MCKINNEY, 28th DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A CONNECTICUT PUBLIC SAFETY DATA NETWORK', to implement the Governor's budget recommendations.  (Substitute=This version changes the fee collected pursuant to section 4, in the prior version it was seventy-five cents, this version changes it to sixty cents.) <b>REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/7/08</b>	2/19/2008	2/28/2007 JFS TO FLOOR 3/28/2008 JF TO FLOOR	#15	3/11/2008 CALENDAR #29 3/20/2008 REFER to APPROPRIATIONS 4/2/2008 CALENDAR #29		
H.B. 5281	Proposed <b>H.B. No. 5281</b> REP. FREY, 111th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING WORKERS' COMPENSATION FOR POLICE OFFICERS, FIREFIGHTERS AND EMERGENCY SERVICE PERSONNEL', to permit police officers, firefighters and emergency services personnel to collect workers' compensation for injuries sustained while responding to off-duty emergencies <b>REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES 2/14/08</b>						
H.B. 5306	Proposed <b>H.B. No. 5306</b> REP. RYAN, 139th DIST.; SEN. STILLMAN 20th DIST.; REP. RITTER, 38th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING FEES PAID FOR MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE PLATES BY FIREFIGHTERS', to eliminate a state fee for vanity plates for firefighters. <b>REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/14/08</b>	2/19/2008	REFER TO TRANSPORTATION				
H.B. 5416	Proposed <b>H.B. No. 5416</b> REP. GRAZIANI, 57th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A TUITION WAIVER FOR VOLUNTEER FIRE RESPONDERS ATTENDING COMMUNITY-TECHNICAL COLLEGES', to provide tuition waivers for volunteer first responders &	3/4/2008	2/21/2008 VOTED TO DRAFT				

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	first responders at community-technical colleges REF. HI EDUC AND EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT 2/15/08						
H.B. 5503	<p><b>H.B. No. 5503</b> (RAISED) GENERAL LAW. 'AN ACT REQUIRING AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS IN HEALTH CLUBS', to require health clubs to provide and maintain automatic external defibrillators on premises. (Substitute=</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Addressing Liability Protection.</b></li> </ul> <p>o Section 21a-223(e) Absent an act or omission constituting gross, willful or wanton negligence, no cause of action shall exist relating to the use or non-use of an automated external defibrillator.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Addressing Maintenance &amp; Oversight</b></li> </ul> <p>o Section 1 of the bill (section 21a-223) be amended to read:</p> <p>§ (a)(2) (A) provide and maintain in a [central] readily accessible location on the premises of the health club, which location shall be make known and available to employees of such clubs, at least on automatic external defibrillators, as defined in section 10A-175</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Addressing Compliance Date</b></li> </ul> <p>o add the following language:</p> <p>o This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: Section 1: No later than one year after the effective date of this section (21a-223) Section 2: No later than one year after the effective date of this section (52-557b(a)).</p> <p>REF. GENERAL LAW 2/20/08</p>	2/26/2008	3/11/2008 JFS TO FLOOR	#295	3/31/2008 CALENDAR #162		
H.B. 5559	<p>Proposed <b>H.B. No. 5559</b> REP. CAFERO, 142nd DIST.; REP. HAMZY, 78th DIST.; REP. KLARIDES, 114th DIST. 'AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR A SCHOLARSHIP FOR NURSING AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN STUDENTS', to encourage people to enter into the nursing and emergency medical technical fields so that the state can continue to provide quality healthcare to those in need</p> <p>REF. HI EDUC AND EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT 2/20/08</p>						
H.B. 5569	<p>Proposed <b>H.B. No. 5569</b> REP. CARUSO, 126th DIST.; REP. HENNESSY, 127th DIST.; REP. KEELEY, 129th DIST. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR A FIRE STATION IN BRIDGEPORT', to authorize bonds of the state for a combined ladder and hose engine fire station in Bridgeport</p>						

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H.B. 5570	<b>Proposed <a href="#">H.B. No. 5570</a> REP. HARKINS, 120<sup>th</sup> DIST. 'AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR A GRANT TO STRATFORD FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PURPOSES', to appropriate funds for a grant to Stratford for emergency management related purchases</b> <b>REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/20/08</b>						
H.B. 5629	<b><a href="#">H.B. No. 5629</a> (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE FOR FIREFIGHTERS, POLICE OFFICERS AND EMERGENCY RESCUE WORKERS', to establish a rebuttable presumption that firefighter, police officer or emergency rescue worker who contract hepatitis, meningococcal meningitis, tuberculosis or certain other disease is eligible for workers' compensation provided he or she meets certain requirements.</b> <b>(Substitute=removes section 3 (Cancer Section) &amp; hypertension in the original bill and adds the definition of "constable" for coverage.)</b>	3/4/2008	3/11/2008 JFS TO FLOOR	#302	3/31/2008 CALENDAR #169		
	<b>REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES 2/21/08</b>						
H.B. 5646	<b><a href="#">H.B. No. 5646</a> (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING VOLUNTEER SERVICE BY PAID EMERGENCY PERSONNEL OR PAID FIREFIGHTERS', to prohibit municipalities from banning their paid firefighter personnel and emergency personnel from serving as volunteer firefighters in another municipality during personal time</b> <b>REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/21/08 32</b>	2/26/2008	3/4/2008 JF TO FLOOR 4/3/2008 JF TO FLOOR	#119	3/20/2008 CALENDAR #80 3/26/2008 REFER to LABOR & PUBLIC EMPLOYEES 4/4/2008 CALENDAR #80		
H.B. 5647	<b><a href="#">H.B. No. 5647</a> (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE SUBSIDIZATION OF MUNICIPAL PUBLIC SAFETY EMERGENCY TELECOMMUNICATION CENTERS', to exempt certain fire departments that rely on a secondary answering point for emergency telecommunications services from reduction in E-9-1-1 funding</b> <b>REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/21/08</b>	2/26/2008	3/4/2008 JF TO ENERGY & TECHNOLOGY 3/11/2008 JF TO FLOOR 3/13/2008 (E-CERT)	#303	3/31/2008 CALENDAR #170		
H.B. 5669	<b><a href="#">H.B. No. 5669</a> (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT SHIELDING FIRE DEPARTMENTS THAT INSTALL SMOKE AND CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS FROM LIABILITY', to shield fire departments that install smoke and carbon monoxide detectors from any liability stemming from such installation</b> <b>REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/22/08</b>	3/4/2008	3/6/2008 JF TO JUDICIARY				
H.B. 5802	<b><a href="#">H.B. No. 5802</a> (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATE FIRE PREVENTION CODE', to provide processes for the interpretation, alternative compliance, penalties under and appeals pursuant to the State Fire Prevention Code, to delete the prohibition against inspecting manufacturing establishments, and to permit the local fire marshals and State Fire Marshal to issue citations and apply for an injunction when a hazardous condition exists</b>	3/4/2008	3/6/2008 JF TO FLOOR 3/31/2008 JF TO FLOOR	#125	3/20/2008 CALENDAR #86 3/26/2008 REFER to JUDICIARY 4/2/2008 CALENDAR #86		

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	<b>REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/29/08</b>						
H.B. 5804	<b><u>H.B. No. 5804</u> (RAISED) ENVIRONMENT. 'AN ACT REGULATING THE SALE OF OUTDOOR WOOD-BURNING FURNACES', to require sellers of outdoor wood-burning furnaces to disclose the current restrictions on locating and operating such furnaces and to give purchasers of such furnaces a three-day right of cancellation.</b>  <b>(Substitute=eliminates the provision that the seller shall keep a signed acknowledgement of the receipt of an informational sheet for a period of 5 years from the date the contract is signed)</b> <b>REF. ENVIRONMENT 2/29/08</b>	3/7/2008	3/14/2008 JFS TO FLOOR	#470	4/4/2008 CALENDAR #254		
H.B. 5805	<b><u>H.B. No. 5805</u> (RAISED) ENVIRONMENT. 'AN ACT CONCERNING TOXIC SUBSTANCES', to phase out the class of chemicals known as alkylphenol ethoxylates, and certain toxic flame retardants, and to allow the Commissioner of Environmental Protection to ban additional flame retardants once a safer alternative exists.</b> <b>(Substitute=LCO #2733, also changes implementation date to 2010)</b> <b>REF. ENVIRONMENT 2/29/08</b>	3/7/2008	3/12/2008 JFS TO FLOOR	#321	3/31/2008 CALENDAR #187		
H.B. 5806	<b><u>H.B. No. 5806</u> (RAISED) ENVIRONMENT. 'AN ACT CONCERNING BOATING SAFETY', to amend boating statutes to incorporate by reference federal safety, navigation lighting and equipment requirements, to hold a person in control of a boat or personal watercraft responsible for permitting a person under sixteen years of age to operate a boat or personal watercraft without a safe boating certificate or certification of personal watercraft operation, to authorize the Department of Environmental Protection to penalize persons teaching unapproved boating courses, to define the term "boat livery" and place certain restrictions on persons who rent and persons who operate rental boats.</b>  <b>(Substitute=aligns state statute with U.S. Code for boating safety)</b> <b>REF. ENVIRONMENT 2/29/08</b>	3/7/2008	3/12/2008 JFS TO FLOOR	#312	3/31/2008 CALENDAR #188		
H.B. 5809	<b><u>H.B. No. 5809</u> (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE RECRUITMENT, TRAINING, INITIAL CERTIFICATION AND RETENTION OF EMERGENCY SERVICES PERSONNEL', to require the Department of Public Health to study issues surrounding the recruitment, training, initial certification and retention of emergency services personnel in the state.</b> <b>(Substitute=To appropriate the sum of \$100,000 to the Department of Public Health to study issues surrounding the recruitment, training, initial certification and retention of emergency services personnel in the state.)</b> <b>REF. PUBLIC HEALTH 2/29/08</b>	3/12/2008	3/14/2008 JFS TO APPROPRIATIONS				
H.B. 5812	<b><u>H.B. No. 5812</u> (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE AVAILABILITY OF AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS FOR PUBLIC USE', to improve the health and safety of those in the state by expanding access to automatic external defibrillators throughout the state.</b>	3/10/2008	3/17/2008 JF TO APPROPRIATIONS				

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S.B. 063	<u>S.B. No. 63</u> (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER AND THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION ACT', to reinsert the post traumatic stress disorder clause into the Workers' Compensation Act REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES 2/13/08	3/4/2008					
S.B. 087	Proposed <u>S.B. No. 87</u> SEN. PRAGUE, 19th DIST. 'AN ACT EXEMPTING AMBULANCES FROM THE MOTOR VEHICLE FUELS TAX', to exempt ambulances from the motor vehicle fuel tax REF. PUBLIC HEALTH 2/13/08						
S.B. 175	<u>S.B. No. 175</u> (RAISED) PROGRAM REVIEW AND INVESTIGATIONS. 'AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PROGRAM REVIEW AND INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE CONCERNING HOMELAND SECURITY', to require the appointment of five regional intelligence liaison officers and one intelligence liaison officer per one hundred thousand persons to facilitate the sharing of intelligence, and to require municipalities to create a managed emergency telephone notification system. (Substitute=deletes all of original language and inserts language of S.B. #181 re: to require schools to hold a crisis response drill every three months, and requires the local law enforcement agency to be involved in the designing of crisis response drills and to participate in said drill.) REF. PROGRAM REVIEW AND INVESTIGATIONS 2/14/08	2/29/2008	3/6/2008 JF TO FLOOR 4/3/2008 JFS TO FLOOR	#63		3/20/2008 CALENDAR #96 3/28/2008 REFER to PUBLIC SAFETY	
S.B. 180	<u>S.B. No. 180</u> (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR FIREFIGHTER TRAINING to provide for the full funding of entry level fire service personnel training and to appropriate two and one-half million dollars a year for such training. (Substitute=deletes "one half of" on line 13 and Section 2 REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/14/08	2/19/2008	2/28/2008 JF TO APPROPRIATIONS 3/28/2008 JFS TO FLOOR				
S.B. 181	<u>S.B. No. 181</u> (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING CRISIS RESPONSE DRILLS', to require schools to hold a crisis response drill every three months. (Substitute=This bill adds subsection (b) and requires the local law enforcement agency to be involved in the designing of crisis response drills and to participate in said drill. REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/14/08	2/19/2008	2/28/2008 JFS TO EDUCATION				
S.B. 305	<u>S.B. No. 305</u> (RAISED) SELECT COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS. 'AN ACT CONCERNING MILITARY TRANSPORTATION', to exempt members of the National Guard from any operator's license fee or registration fee, including any renewals; to permit the National Guard civil support team to use a blue light illuminated upon a motor vehicle; and to exempt from the hands-free mobile phone requirement, a member of the armed forces, including the	2/28/2008	2/28/2008 JFS TO TRANSPORTATION 3/7/2008 JFS TO FLOOR	#164		3/26/2008 CALENDAR #159 4/3/2008 REFER TO PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT	

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	including the National Guard, while in the performance of his official duties and within the scope of employment. <b>(Substitute=Deleted Sect. 2 to permit National Guard civil support teams to display blue lights.</b> REF. SELECT COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS 2/20/08						
S.B. 354	<b>S.B. No. 354 (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE LEGISLATIVE COMMISSIONERS' RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TECHNICAL REVISIONS TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY STATUTES', to make minor technical corrections to the public safety statutes.</b> REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/20/08	2/26/2008	3/4/2008 JF TO FLOOR 4/3/2008 JF TO FLOOR	#77		3/20/2008 CALENDAR #101 3/28/2008 REFER to TRANSPORTATION 4/7/2008 CALENDAR #101	
S.B. 500	<b>S.B. No. 500 (RAISED) TRANSPORTATION. 'AN ACT CONCERNING HIGHWAY WORK ZONE SAFETY', to create a Highway Work Zone Safety Advisory Council to protect highway workers in work zones, and to establish the offenses of "endangerment of highway worker" and "aggravated endangerment of a highway worker".</b>  <b>(Substitute=adds Sect. 3 to appropriate \$250,000 to DOT from the General Fund to be used for highway traffic enforcement including the expansion of the "Operation Big Orange" program.</b> REF. TRANSPORTATION 2/28/08	3/5/2008	3/7/2008 JFS TO FLOOR	#217		3/27/2008 CALENDAR #170 4/3/2008 REFER TO APPROPRIATIONS	
S.B. 540	<b>S.B. No. 540 (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT DOUBLING THE FINES FOR MOVING MOTOR VEHICLE VIOLATIONS OCCURRING IN EMERGENCY RESPONSE AREAS', to double the fine for moving motor vehicle violations that occur in emergency response areas.</b> REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/28/08	3/4/2008	3/6/2008 JF TO FLOOR 4/3/2008 JF TO FLOOR	#84		3/20/2008 CALENDAR #102 3/28/2008 REFER to TRANSPORTATION 4/7/2008 CALENDAR #102	
S.B. 634	<b>S.B. No. 634 (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING HIGHWAY WORKER SAFETY', to establish the crimes of endangerment of a highway worker and aggravated endangerment of highway worker.</b> REF. JUDICIARY 3/5/08	3/10/2008					
S.B. 687	<b>S.B. No. 687 (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS', to establish requirements and immunity for the use of automated external defibrillators in health clubs and athletic facilities of institutions of higher education.</b> REF. JUDICIARY 3/7/08	3/14/2008	3/17/2008 JFS TO FLOOR	#438		4/4/2008 CALENDAR #266	





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