

CEDAS POLICY/LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

BILL #	TITLE	LATEST ACTION	NEXT ACTION	TO FLOOR FOR VOTE?	COMMENTS
HB-5287	AN ACT CONCERNING A MUNICIPAL OPTION FOR PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENTS FOR ARTS AND CULTURE. To allow municipalities to provide property tax abatements to support	To Joint Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding for Approval to send to Floor	If approved, it would go to the Floor for a vote	Likely to go to floor soon	Possible tool to help the arts and recruit the arts
HB-5310	AN ACT CONCERNING THE LICENSING OF NEW AND USED CAR DEALERS. To authorize the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles to issue a new or used car dealer's license to an electric vehicle manufacturer.	To Joint Committee on Transportation for Approval/Denial	If approved, it would go to the Floor for a vote	Likely to go to floor soon	TESLA Bill
HB-5387	AN ACT CONCERNING PAID FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE. To establish a paid family and medical leave system in Connecticut.	To Joint Committee on Labor for Approval/Denial	If approved, it would go to the Floor for a vote	Likely to go to floor soon	May add costs to employers in CT
HB-5388	AN ACT CONCERNING A FAIR MINIMUM WAGE. To provide more economic security to Connecticut families by increasing the minimum fair wage.	To Joint Committee on Labor for Approval/Denial	If approved, it would go to the Floor for a vote	Likely to go to floor soon	Will add costs to employers in CT
HB-5431	AN ACT INCREASING THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF TAX CREDITS FOR THE REHABILITATION OF HISTORIC STRUCTURES. To increase the aggregate amount of tax credits for the rehabilitation of historic structures.	Public Hearing - 3/16	Need to be voted on by Committee then to Legislative Commissioners Office	Unlikely as it is stuck in committee	Would help with more projects in our towns
HB-5436	AN ACT CONCERNING CERTAIN PROPERTY TAX AGREEMENTS BETWEEN MUNICIPALITIES AND PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS OF BROWNFIELDS AND ABANDONED PROPERTIES AND ESTABLISHING A BROWNFIELD REMEDIATION TAX CREDIT. To authorize municipalities and prospective purchasers of brownfields and abandoned properties to enter into certain agreements concerning property taxes and to establish a tax credit for costs associated with the remediation of a brownfield.	To Joint Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding	If approved, it would go to the Floor for a vote	Unsure, but likely to go to the Floor for a vote	Good new for towns with brownfields. Will give them a tool to help redevelop challenging properties
HB-5437	AN ACT ESTABLISHING A JOB CREATION INCENTIVE TAX CREDIT PROGRAM FOR THE HIRING AND RETENTION OF NEW FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES. To establish a job creation incentive tax credit program for the hiring and retention of new, full-time employees in order to encourage businesses to grow and maintain jobs.	To Joint Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding	If approved, it would go to the Floor for a vote	Unsure, but likely to go to the Floor for a vote	Seems like a good idea to promote job creation and hiring
HB-5448	AN ACT CONCERNING THE ALIGNMENT OF EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE NEEDS. To require the Department of Education, in consultation with the Office of Higher Education and the Labor Department, to study ways in which to align curriculums and educational opportunities to meet the workforce needs of businesses and industries in the state.	To Joint Committee on Education for Approval/Denial	If approved, it would go to the Floor for a vote	Likely to go to floor soon	If they can connect one with the other, it cant be a bad thing.
HB-5482	AN ACT CONCERNING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FAIR HOUSING WORKING GROUP. To implement minor and technical revisions to zoning statutes, require that municipalities demonstrate compliance with certain zoning regulation requirements, implement certain zoning requirements regarding affordable housing, and establish a transit-oriented development planning task force.	Vote failed to send the legislation out of the Planning & Development Committee	Likely a vote to be taken again, or language modified then a vote taken	Unlikely as it is stuck in committee	Unsure of effect on towns, through I believe it would move the amount of affordable to 30%
SB-51	AN ACT CONCERNING THE FUNDING AND EXPANSION OF CERTAIN MANUFACTURING PROGRAM PIPELINES. To facilitate education and industry partnerships through data sharing and programming to develop and train workforces in high growth industries in the state.	Refiled with the Legislative Commissioners Office	To Joint Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding	Unsure, but likely to go to the Floor for a vote	Any additional funding for manufacturing programs is key to many communities
SB-213	AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEVELOPMENT OF PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS FOR APPRENTICESHIP AND WORK-BASED OPPORTUNITIES. To establish a quasi-public agency responsible for establishing public-private partnerships for apprenticeship and work-based opportunities.	To Joint Committee on Higher Education for Approval/Denial	If approved, it would go to the Floor for a vote	Likely to go to floor soon	More partnerships between education and private firms is good.
SB-424	AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDING FOR BIKEWAYS, GREENWAYS AND RECREATIONAL TRAILS. To authorize additional bonding for trails, greenways and bikeways.	Refiled with the Legislative Commissioners Office	To Joint Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding	Unsure, but likely to go to the Floor for a vote	More \$ for trails, greenways, etc are good