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HB 5030	H.B. No. 5030 (GOVERNOR'S BILL) 'AN ACT MAKING ADJUSTMENTS TO STATE EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2015', To implement the Governor's budget recommendations. (Substitute=all line items usually followed by CSFA were funded to the same levels as last year)	2/11/2014 thru 2/24/2014	3/27/2014 JFS TO FLOOR				
HB 5035	H.B. No. 5035 (RAISED) COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN. 'AN ACT CONCERNING TOXIC FIRE RETARDANTS IN CHILDREN'S PRODUCTS', to ban any product containing the flame retardant chemical TDCPP, TDCP, TCEP or TCPP marketed for the use of children three years of age or younger. REF. COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN 2/7/2014	3/6/2014	3/11/2014 JF TO FLOOR	#77	3/25/2014 CALENDAR #55 4/4/2014 REFER TO APPROPRIATIONS		
HB 5070	H.B. No. 5070 (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES . 'AN ACT CONCERNING VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND AMBULANCE COMPANIES AND THE DEFINITION OF EMPLOYER UNDER THE STATE OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ACT', to add volunteer fire departments and ambulance companies to the definition of "employer" under the state Occupational Safety and Health Act. (Substitute=deletes paragraph (d) of Section 3 pertaining to citation violations "only if results in serious bodily injury or death to a person.") REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES 2/10/2014	2/18/2014	3/18/2014 JFS TO FLOOR	#293	4/3/2014 CALENDAR #173		
HB 5150	H.B. No. 5150 (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY . 'AN ACT CONCERNING FIRE SAFETY ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS', to require the State Fire Marshal and the Fire Marshal Training Council to (1) certify certain fire safety officials, (2) establish experience requirements for these officials, and (3) recognize training programs offered by private institutions. (Substitute=deletes references to Fire Marshal Training Council and re-inserts Codes and Standards Committee) REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/13/2014	2/18/2014	3/11/2014 JFS TO FLOOR	#79	3/25/2014 CALENDAR #57		
HB 5174	Proposed H.B. No. 5174 REP. CARPINO, 32nd DIST. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY FIRE SCHOOL', to provide funding for the Middlesex County Fire School. REF. FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING 2/18/2014						DEAD
HB 5288	H.B. No. 5288 (RAISED) TRANSPORTATION . 'AN ACT CONCERNING CHEMICAL ROAD TREATMENTS', to require the Commissioner of Transportation to study the corrosive effects of chemical road treatments. REF. TRANSPORTATION 2/20/2014	2/28/2014					DEAD Study Was Moved Into S.B. #235

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HB 5290	<p><u>H.B. No. 5290</u> (RAISED) TRANSPORTATION . 'AN ACT REVISING MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS', to make revisions to the motor vehicle laws.</p> <p>(Substitute=Section #11 deletes “[d] Upon request by the chief of any regular fire department or volunteer fire company operating in the state of Connecticut, the commissioner shall waive the operator's examination fee in the case of any member of any such fire department or company who applies for a class 1 operator's license as provided in section 14-36a. The applicant for such license shall satisfy all prerequisites for the issuance of a class 1 license.]” from statute, and,</p> <p><u>Section #11 adds (d) The commissioner may adopt procedures for issuing licenses on an expedited basis and may charge a fee of not more than seventy-five dollars for such expedited service.)</u></p> <p>REF. TRANSPORTATION 2/20/2014</p>	2/28/2014	3/4/2014 JFS TO FLOOR	#343	4/4/2014 CALENDAR #205		
HB 5317	<p>Proposed <u>H.B. No. 5317</u> REP. SAWYER, 55th DIST.; REP. ZIOBRON, 34th DIST.; SEN. OSTEN, 19th DIST.; REP. ORANGE, 48th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE REGIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS CENTERS', to require the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection to undo the 2013 consolidation of the regional emergency telecommunications centers.</p> <p>REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/21/2014</p>				DEAD		
HB 5388	<p><u>H.B. No. 5388</u> (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY . 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE PENALTY FOR ASSAULT OF FIRE MARSHALS, DEPUTY FIRE MARSHALS, FIRE INSPECTORS, BUILDING OFFICIALS AND ASSISTANT BUILDING OFFICIALS', to provide an enhanced penalty for the assault of a reasonably identifiable fire marshal, deputy fire marshal, fire inspector, building official and assistant building official who is in the performance of his or her duties.</p> <p>REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/26/2014</p>	3/4/2014	3/11/2014 JF TO JUDICIARY				
HB 5503	<p><u>H.B. No. 5503</u> (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH . 'AN ACT CONCERNING EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FOR CERTAIN STATE FACILITIES', to require certain state-owned facilities and campuses having an acute care hospital on the premises to be a single primary service area.</p> <p>(Substitute=deletes references to “Each state-owned facility”. Now only pertains to ”state-owned campus”.)</p> <p>REF. PUBLIC HEALTH 3/5/2014</p>	3/14/2014	3/21/2014 JFS TO FLOOR				4/8

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HB 5507	<u>H.B. No. 5507</u> (RAISED) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT . 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE APPOINTMENT OF ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS, BUILDING OFFICIALS AND FIRE MARSHALS', to require the chief executive officers of towns, cities and boroughs to appoint zoning enforcement officials and fire marshals and to eliminate appointment terms for building officials. REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT 3/5/2014	3/14/2014				DEAD	
HB 5531	<u>H.B. No. 5531</u> (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY . 'AN ACT CONCERNING MUTUAL CONSOLIDATION OF DISPATCH FACILITIES', to authorize two or more municipalities to create a regional dispatch authority. (Substitute= Strike-all=Simplified language to allow 'Any municipalities to enter into an interlocal agreement to consolidate dispatch services & may establish a governing board.) REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 3/6/2014	3/11/2014	3/18/2014 JFS TO FLOOR	#309	4/3/2014 CALENDAR #189		
HB 5533	<u>H.B. No. 5533</u> (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY . 'AN ACT CONCERNING WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYEES WITH POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER', to provide workers' compensation coverage to state or municipal employees suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder as a direct result of witnessing a traumatic event or the immediate aftermath of a traumatic event. (Substitute= Original language makes the benefit retroactive to 12/14/2012, but substitute language limits benefits to paying for treatments but not wage replacement.) REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 3/6/2014	3/11/2014	3/18/2014 JFS TO FLOOR	#310	4/3/2014 CALENDAR #190		
HB 5537	<u>H.B. No. 5537</u> (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH . 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING VARIOUS REVISIONS TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH STATUTES', to implement the Department of Public Health's recommendations concerning various revisions to the public health statutes. (Substitute= Sections 17-24 include numerous changes to EMS statutes pertaining to Public Health issues.) REF. PUBLIC HEALTH 3/7/20147	3/14/2014	3/27/2014 JFS TO FLOOR				

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HB 5541	<p><u>H.B. No. 5541</u> (RAISED) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT . 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE THOMPSONVILLE FIRE DISTRICT', to increase the number of commissioners of the Thompsonville Fire District from three to five, to require the commissioners to submit the annual budget for the district to electors at an annual meeting, to specify a process regarding the approval of the budget and to allow electors to vote for commissioners from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on annual and special meeting days.</p> <p>(Substitute=Line 41-42 removes “that proposes an increase of more than three per cent over the prior year's budget” & Line 59 “eight o'clock a.m.” is replaced by “six o'clock a.m.”)</p> <p>REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT 3/10/2014</p>	3/21/2014	3/25/2014 JFS TO FLOOR				4/9
HB 5542	<p><u>H.B. No. 5542</u> (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH . 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CONNECTICUT EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PRIMARY SERVICE AREA TASK FORCE', to implement the recommendations of the Connecticut Emergency Medical Services Primary Service Area Task Force.</p> <p>(Substitute=language includes “Recommendation #5” from the PSAR Task Force report)</p> <p>REF. PUBLIC HEALTH 3/10/2014</p>	3/19/2014	3/27/2014 JFS TO FLOOR				
HB 5580	<p><u>H.B. No. 5580</u> (RAISED) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT . 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE PESTICIDE ADVISORY COUNCIL, THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PRIMARY SERVICE AREA TASK FORCE AND THE ELIMINATION OF A MUNICIPAL MANDATE', to require the Pesticide Advisory Council to review pesticides for safety and effectiveness and report such findings; to require the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection (1) to establish a regional program through which municipalities may purchase pesticides, and (2) determine whether to create an integrated pest management Internet web site; to incorporate the recommendations of the Emergency Medical Services Primary Service Area Task Force and to permit municipalities to notice the sale, lease or transfer of real property on the Internet web site of such municipality or in a publicly available weekly print publication.</p> <p>REF. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT 3/13/2014</p>	3/21/2014	3/25/2014 JF TO FLOOR				4/9

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SB 0029	<p>S.B. No. 29 SEN. WILLIAMS, 29th DIST.; SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; REP. SHARKEY, 88th DIST.; REP. ARESIMOWICZ, 30th DIST. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING AND ADJUSTING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, TRANSPORTATION AND OTHER PURPOSES', to implement the Governor's budget recommendations. (Substitute= NEW: Fire Training Schools: \$15,777,672) REF. FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING 2/7/2014</p>	3/13/2014	4/1/2014 JFS TO FLOOR				
SB 0051	<p>Proposed S.B. No. 51 SEN. OSTEN, 19th DIST.; REP. ORANGE, 48th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE REGIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS CENTERS', to require the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection to undo the 2013 consolidation of the regional emergency telecommunications centers. REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/7/2014</p>					DEAD	

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SB 0056	<p><u>S.B. No. 56</u> (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES . 'AN ACT CONCERNING SEVERE MENTAL OR EMOTIONAL IMPAIRMENT AND WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE', to expand workers' compensation coverage to individuals suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder as a direct result of witnessing the death or maiming of another human being whose death or maiming was caused by an intentional act of violence of another person.</p> <p>(Substitute=This bill expands the definition of “personal injuries” under the workers' compensation law. Among other things, this allows an employee to qualify for workers' compensation benefits if: 1. during the course of his or her duties, the employee sees (a) a person's death or maiming or (b) its immediate aftermath (the scene of the death or maiming within six hours after law enforcement officers secure it); 2. the death or maiming was intentionally caused by another person; and 3. a licensed psychiatrist or psychologist diagnoses the employee with a mental or emotional impairment and determines that it originated from the employee seeing the crime or crime scene described above. Under the bill, “maiming” is the loss of any body part or organ.</p> <p>The bill also extends workers' compensation wage replacement benefits to (1) police officers who suffer a mental or emotional impairment caused by using, or being subjected to, deadly force in the line of duty and (2) firefighters diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder caused by witnessing the death of another firefighter in the line of duty. Current law limits workers' compensation benefits in these instances to treatment by an approved psychologist or psychiatrist.)</p> <p>REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES 2/10/2014</p>	2/18/2014	3/4/2014 JFS TO FLOOR	#49		3/19/2014 CALENDAR #85	
SB 0066	<p><u>S.B. No. 66</u> (RAISED) ENVIRONMENT . 'AN ACT CONCERNING OUTDOOR WOOD-BURNING FURNACES', to maintain certain requirements concerning the installation and use of outdoor wood-burning furnaces, in light of expected federal rules on outdoor wood-burning furnaces, and to require owners of all outdoor wood-burning furnaces to burn only wood that is not chemically treated.</p> <p>REF. ENVIRONMENT 2/11/2014</p>	2/19/2014	2/28/2014 JF TO FLOOR	#31		3/18/2014 CALENDAR #56	

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SB 0099	<u>S.B. No. 99</u> (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY . 'AN ACT CONCERNING MOTOR VEHICLES FORMERLY USED FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT', to require an owner of a vehicle formerly used as a police or other law enforcement vehicle to remove all exterior indication and equipment related to the former use. REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/13/2014	2/18/2014	3/4/2014 JF TO TRANSPORTATION			DEAD	
SB 0100	<u>S.B. No. 100</u> (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY . 'AN ACT CONCERNING BAZAARS AND RAFFLES', to make revisions concerning the application process for a permit to conduct a bazaar and raffle and to repeal the restrictions on the advertisement of a bazaar and raffle. (Substitute=1. This bill changes the initial governmental entity to which an organization submits its bazaar or raffle license application and fees, from the local municipality to the Department of Consumer Protection (DCP). Under the bill, DCP will remit the appropriate portion of the fee payments and forward the applications to the municipality, rather than the municipality submitting them to the state. By law and unchanged by the bill, both the municipality and DCP retain the same application review powers and fee amounts. 2. The bill expands to all organizations authorized to hold a bazaar or raffle the ability to hold the event in a municipality other than the one that granted the permit, if the nonpermitting municipality provides written approval. The bill specifically gives investigatory jurisdiction for violations to the state's attorney office where the event occurred. 3. The bill allows organizations to use all types of bazaar or raffle advertisements. 4. It also eliminates the requirement that these organizations submit a post-event verified statement to the municipality. By law, DCP examines the statement and compares it to the organization's application and must keep it on file and available for public inspection for one year. 5. The bill also makes minor, technical, and conforming changes.) REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/13/2014	2/18/2014	3/4/2014 JFS TO FLOOR 3/31/2014 JF TO FLOOR	#55		3/19/2014 CALENDAR #88 3/26/2014 REFER TO GENERAL LAW 4/2/2014 CALENDAR #88	
SB 0101	<u>S.B. No. 101</u> (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY . 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING FIRST RESPONDER DAY', to establish September twenty-seventh of each year as First Responder Day. REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/13/2014	2/18/2014	3/4/2014 JF TO GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION & ELECTIONS 3/14/2014 JF TO FLOOR	#220		4/2/2014 CALENDAR #182	

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SB 0103	<u>S.B. No. 103</u> (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY . 'AN ACT CONCERNING COMPLIANCE WITH FIRE DEPARTMENT APPARATUS MAINTENANCE STANDARDS', to ensure that fire departments maintain their fire apparatus in an operationally safe condition. REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/13/2014	2/18/2014				DEAD Work Group Study For 2015 Session	
SB 0235	<u>S.B. No. 235</u> (RAISED) TRANSPORTATION . 'AN ACT CONCERNING REVISIONS TO THE TRANSPORTATION STATUTES', to amend the transportation statutes to (1) define "fare inspector" and authorize a fare inspector to issue citations for infractions, (2) reclassify failure to pay on a state-owned or controlled bus from a misdemeanor to an infraction, and (3) exempt salt sheds, parking garages and maintenance facilities from the requirements of high performance building construction standards for state facilities. (Substitute=Section 6 was added to SB-235 in regards to an analysis the Commissioner of Transportation will conduct of the corrosive effects of chemical road treatments. This report shall be submitted no later than October 1, 2014 in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes.) REF. TRANSPORTATION 2/20/2014	2/28/2014	3/14/2014 JFS TO FLOOR	#192		3/31/2014 CALENDAR #168	
SB 0269	<u>S.B. No. 269</u> (RAISED) GENERAL LAW . 'AN ACT CONCERNING A SINGLE ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR PERMIT FOR MULTIPLE EVENTS IN A CALENDAR YEAR', to allow bona fide noncommercial organizations and charitable organizations to hold one alcoholic liquor permit for multiple events in a calendar year. (Substitute=number of permits in Sections 1 & 2 are increased to 12 days/permits annually; Section 3 was added to include retail sale of wine at auction under certain conditions up to 12 auctions annually.) REF. GENERAL LAW 2/25/2014	3/6/2014	3/13/2014 JFS TO FLOOR	#193		3/31/2014 CALENDAR #159	
SB 0289	<u>S.B. No. 289</u> (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY . 'AN ACT CONCERNING DUTIES OF BUILDING OFFICIALS', to require building officials to ensure that inspections are performed by inspectors with the appropriate class of license. REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/26/2014	3/4/2014				DEAD	

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SB 0386	S.B. No. 386 (RAISED) JUDICIARY . 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE PENALTY FOR ASSAULTING A FIRE MARSHAL, DEPUTY FIRE MARSHAL, FIRE INSPECTOR, BUILDING OFFICIAL OR ASSISTANT BUILDING OFFICIAL', to provide an enhanced penalty for the assault of a reasonably identifiable fire marshal, deputy fire marshal, fire inspector, building official or assistant building official when such marshal, inspector or official is engaged in the performance of his or her duties. REF. JUDICIARY 3/4/2014	3/10/2014				DEAD	
SB 0416	S.B. No. 416 (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH . 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING ADVANCED EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS', to implement the Department of Public Health's recommendations concerning advanced emergency medical technicians. REF. PUBLIC HEALTH 3/5/2014	3/14/2014				DEAD	
SB 0426	S.B. No. 426 (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY . 'AN ACT SUSPENDING AND EVALUATING THE CONSOLIDATION OF DISPATCH CENTERS WITHIN THE DIVISION OF STATE POLICE', to suspend the consolidation of dispatch centers within the Division of State Police and to require the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection to submit an evaluation of the consolidation of such dispatch centers. REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 3/6/2014	3/11/2014	3/18/2014 JF TO FLOOR	#238		4/2/2014 CALENDAR #187	
SB 0427	S.B. No. 427 (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY . 'AN ACT CONCERNING SMOKE AND CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS IN CERTAIN RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS AT THE TIME THE TITLE IS TRANSFERRED', to require the affidavit regarding smoke and carbon monoxide detectors to be based on the transferor's knowledge and belief at the time the title is transferred and to exempt certain transfers. (Substitute=slight language changes pertaining to definitions in statute) REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 3/6/2014	3/11/2014	3/13/2014 JFS TO FLOOR	#195		3/31/2014 CALENDAR #166	
SB 0430	S.B. No. 430 (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY . 'AN ACT CONCERNING EMERGENCY SERVICE PERSONNEL', to require the operator of an emergency vehicle to stop when approaching or following a registered school bus when the bus is flashing red signal lights. REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 3/6/2014	3/11/2014	3/13/2014 JF TO FLOOR	#122		3/25/2014 CALENDAR #116	

