



January 18th, 2019

Everyone,

First, I would like to thank everyone who took the time to attend the meeting of the Fire EMS Caucus earlier this week. The focus of this second meeting this session was EMS issues and people who have given me feedback feel the meeting went well. Unfortunately, the meeting was not recorded on the Connecticut Network, so I do have a link to share if you missed it.

A date and time have not yet been set for the next meeting but I will announce that information as soon as it is available.

Please see the list of bills that are either directly or indirectly related to the Fire Service that have come out this week:

HB-5155

(https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=HB-5155) AN ACT REQUIRING 9-1-1 CALLS TO BE ROUTED TO THE NEAREST PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINT.

HB-5454

(https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=HB-5454) AN ACT CONCERNING CONTINUING TRAINING REQUIREMENTS FOR BUILDING OFFICIALS AND FIRE MARSHALS.

HB-5455

(https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=HB-5455) AN ACT CONCERNING QUALIFIED FOREST FIREFIGHTERS.

HB-5470

(https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=HB-5470) AN ACT CONCERNING FUNDING FOR REGIONAL FIRE TRAINING SCHOOLS.

HB-5473

(https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=HB-5473) AN ACT CONCERNING THE COST OF EMERGENCY RESPONSE SERVICES ON LIMITED ACCESS HIGHWAYS.

HB-5538

(https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=HB-5538) AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONTINUATION OF RETIREMENT ALLOWANCES FOR CERTAIN RETIREES UPON SUBSEQUENT EMPLOYMENT BY A BOARD OF EDUCATION.

HB-5558

(https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=HB-5558) AN ACT NAMING AN OVERPASS IN WINDSOR IN HONOR OF WINDSOR'S VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS.

HB-5560

(https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=HB-5560) AN ACT CONCERNING LIVERY SERVICE FOR ELDERLY PERSONS AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES.

HB-5608

(https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=HB-5608) AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY FIRE SCHOOL IN MIDDLETOWN.

HB-5643

(https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=HB-5643) AN ACT REQUIRING A STUDY OF THE OBSTACLES TO MERGING OR CONSOLIDATING FIRE DEPARTMENTS FROM MULTIPLE TOWNS.

HB-5660

(https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=HB-5660) AN ACT REQUIRING IDENTIFICATION OF BUILDINGS USING TRUSS TYPE CONSTRUCTION.

SB-51

(https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=SB-51) AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN ADDITIONAL BAY FOR STORAGE OF EQUIPMENT AT A VOLUNTEER FIRE STATION THAT BORDERS ROUTE 2 IN MARLBOROUGH.

SB-66

(https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=SB-66) AN ACT CONCERNING THE NONEMERGENCY TRANSPORTATION OF ELDERLY PERSONS AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES CONFINED TO A STRETCHER.

SB-78

(https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=SB-78)

AN ACT PROHIBITING THE USE OF POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES IN FOOD PACKAGING AND FIREFIGHTER FOAM.

SB-119

(https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=SB-119)

AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT AT THE BALTIC VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT.

SB-123

(https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=SB-123)

AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR AN ADDITIONAL BAY TO STORE EQUIPMENT AT THE YANTIC FIRE COMPANY IN NORWICH.

I have also attached an updated CSFA House Bill Status Report.

If you would like to receive a copy of this update by email, **please contact me by email and I will add your name to my distribution list.**

Sincerely,

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