# Government Oversight Committee JOINT FAVORABLE REPORT

 Bill No.: SB-1566 AN ACT CONVEYING A PARCEL OF STATE LAND TO THE TOWN OF
Title: CHESHIRE.
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**PH Date:** 5/5/2025

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# SPONSORS OF BILL:

Sen. Sampson, Rep. Linehan

# **REASONS FOR BILL:**

This bill requires DAS on behalf of DOC to convey to Cheshire a 1.554 acre parcel of land at a cost of one dollar plus administrative costs for purposes of additional space for the adjacent school bus depot at 157 Sandbank Road.

# **RESPONSE FROM ADMINISTRATION/AGENCY:**

None expressed.

# NATURE AND SOURCES OF SUPPORT:

#### Liz Linehan, Deputy Speaker, House Democrats, CT-103:

Representative Linehan submitted testimony in support of this legislation because the growing Cheshire Public School district is in need of more space for its transportation fleet. The town's record of partnership with the state and commitment to responsible land use gives her full confidence that the parcel of land will continue to be used for the benefit of students and the town.

#### Sean Kimball, Town Manager, Cheshire, CT:

Sean Kimball submitted testimony in support of this legislation because it will provide much needed expansion space for the bus depot for Cheshire Public Schools transportation fleet.

# Robert LaFrance, Director of Policy for CT, National Audubon Society:

Robert LaFrance submitted testimony in support of this legislation with the request that a reverter clause to the state be used in each conveyance, and that recreational use be limited to "passive recreation."

# NATURE AND SOURCES OF OPPOSITION:

None expressed.

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