



# House of Representatives

General Assembly

**File No. 674**

February Session, 2026

Substitute House Bill No. 5573

*House of Representatives, April 16, 2026*

The Committee on Government Oversight reported through REP. DATHAN of the 142nd Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

## ***AN ACT CONVEYING A PARCEL OF STATE LAND TO THE CITY OF TORRINGTON.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding any provision  
2 of the general statutes, the Commissioner of Transportation shall convey  
3 to the city of Torrington a parcel of land located at 174 North Elm Street  
4 in the city of Torrington, at a cost equal to the administrative costs of  
5 making such conveyance. Said parcel of land has an area of  
6 approximately 0.22 acre and is identified as Lot 020 in Block 004 on city  
7 of Torrington Tax Assessor's Map 119. Said parcel is subject to an  
8 easement indicated as "Easement to Slope Reserved in Favor of State of  
9 Connecticut (D.O.T.) or its Assigns. Area=88.9m<sup>2</sup>± (957±Sq.Ft.)" on a  
10 map entitled "Compilation Plan, Town of Torrington, Map Showing  
11 Land Released to \_\_\_\_ by the State of Connecticut Department of  
12 Transportation, North Elm Street (CT Route 4), Scale 1:=250, December  
13 2021, Scott A. Hill, P.E., Chief Engineer-Bureau of Engineering and  
14 Construction, Town No. 143, Project No. 143-152, Serial No. 1A, Sheet 1

15 of 1". The conveyance shall be subject to the approval of the State  
16 Properties Review Board.

17 (b) The city of Torrington shall use said parcel of land for purposes  
18 of relocating a trail to the site of said parcel. If the city of Torrington:

19 (1) Does not use said parcel for said purposes;

20 (2) Does not retain ownership of all of said parcel; or

21 (3) Leases all or any portion of said parcel,

22 the parcel shall revert to the state of Connecticut.

23 (c) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review of the  
24 conveyance of said parcel of land not later than thirty days after it  
25 receives a proposed agreement from the Department of Transportation.  
26 The land shall remain under the care and control of said department  
27 until a conveyance is made in accordance with the provisions of this  
28 section. The State Treasurer shall execute and deliver any deed or  
29 instrument necessary for a conveyance under this section, which deed  
30 or instrument shall include provisions to carry out the purposes of  
31 subsection (b) of this section. The Commissioner of Transportation shall  
32 have the sole responsibility for all other incidents of such conveyance.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

**Statement of Legislative Commissioners:**

The title was changed.

**GOS**      *Joint Favorable Subst. -LCO*

The following Fiscal Impact Statement and Bill Analysis are prepared for the benefit of the members of the General Assembly, solely for purposes of information, summarization and explanation and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose. In general, fiscal impacts are based upon a variety of informational sources, including the analyst's professional knowledge. Whenever applicable, agency data is consulted as part of the analysis, however final products do not necessarily reflect an assessment from any specific department.

**OFA Fiscal Note**

**State Impact:**

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 27 \$	FY 28 \$
Department of Transportation	TF - Loss of Asset	See Below	See Below

Note: TF=Transportation Fund

**Municipal Impact:**

Municipalities	Effect	FY 27 \$	FY 28 \$
Torrington	Cost	See Below	See Below
Torrington	Gain of Asset	See Below	See Below

**Explanation**

The bill conveys a specified parcel of land, totaling 0.22 acres, from the Department of Transportation to the city of Torrington. The state would lose use of the asset (most recently valued at \$29,100). The state would retain an existing easement for property access. The city of Torrington would gain use of an asset and would pay the administrative costs of the conveyance. The asset would revert to state control if the recipient does not use the land for specified purposes.

The land conveyance is subject to the review and approval of the State Properties Review Board.

**The Out Years**

The conveyance action is one time in nature. Control of the asset would continue into the future as described above, subject to future municipal decisions.

**OLR Bill Analysis**

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**SUMMARY**

The Office of Legislative Research (OLR) does not analyze Special Acts, but information on this conveyance and others reported favorably by the Government Oversight Committee can be found in an annual report prepared by OLR. For 2026, this is OLR Report 2026-R-0063.

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Government Oversight Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 12    Nay 0    (04/06/2026)