



JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE

Thursday, April 16, 2026

The House of Representatives was called to order at 4:47 o'clock p.m., in accordance with the provisions of House Rule 50, and under the authority of the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the House Minority Leader.

Prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Peter M. Murszewski of Wethersfield, Connecticut.

The following is the prayer:

Let us pray. Lord, grant us Your blessing as we fulfill our duties. Help us to keep in mind the laws of justice and let us remember that we are all accountable to You. Amen.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Peter M. Murszewski of Wethersfield, Connecticut.

Pursuant to House Rule 50, the House of Representatives was called to order, by the Office of the House Clerk under the authority of the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the House Minority Leader.

It was moved that the House agenda dated Thursday, April 16, 2026 be adopted, and the items on said agenda - illustrating Business on the Clerk's desk - were acted upon as indicated, and the matters contained in the agenda were incorporated by reference into the House Journal and the House Transcript.

FAVORABLE REPORTS OF JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES HOUSE BILLS

The following House Bills were received from the committees indicated, the bills read the second time and tabled for the Calendar and printing:

APPROPRIATIONS. Substitute for H.B. No. 5032 (File No. 661) AN ACT ADJUSTING THE STATE BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM ENDING JUNE 30, 2027.

FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING. H.B. No. 5113 (File No. 662) AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PERSONAL INCOME TAX DEDUCTION FOR THE AMOUNT OF CANCELLED DEBT AND DEBT RELIEF RECEIVED BY A TAXPAYER FOR STUDENT LOANS, MEDICAL DEBT AND CREDIT CARD DEBT.

FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING. Substitute for H.B. No. 5114 (File No. 663) AN ACT ESTABLISHING A REFUNDABLE CREDIT AGAINST THE PERSONAL INCOME TAX FOR A PORTION OF ANNUAL RENT PAYMENTS MADE BY A TAXPAYER FOR A PRIMARY RESIDENCE IN THE STATE.

FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING. H.B. No. 5115 (File No. 664) AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PERSONAL INCOME TAX DEDUCTION FOR CERTAIN LOSSES INCURRED AS A RESULT OF CRYPTOCURRENCY INVESTMENT FRAUD OR WIRE FRAUD.

APPROPRIATIONS. Substitute for H.B. No. 5418 (RAISED) (File No. 665) AN ACT CONCERNING THE KIRKLYN M. KERR PROGRAM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT.

FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING. H.B. No. 5442 (RAISED) (File No. 666) AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR AND TAX AGREEMENTS RELATED TO CERTAIN CLASS I RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES.

FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING. Substitute for H.B. No. 5444 (RAISED) (File No. 667) AN ACT CONCERNING THE INDEXING OF CERTAIN PERSONAL INCOME TAX THRESHOLDS AND EXEMPTION AMOUNTS.

FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING. H.B. No. 5445 (RAISED) (File No. 668) AN ACT CONCERNING THE AMORTIZABLE BOND PREMIUM SUBTRACTION FOR PURPOSES OF THE PERSONAL INCOME TAX.

FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING. Substitute for H.B. No. 5536 (RAISED) (File No. 669) AN ACT ESTABLISHING A STATE SHORT-TERM RENTAL REGISTRY.

FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING. H.B. No. 5538 (RAISED) (File No. 670) AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY OF STATE FINANCE POLICIES.

FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING. Substitute for H.B. No. 5539 (RAISED) (File No. 671) AN ACT CONCERNING REQUIREMENTS FOR AND PENALTIES ON HOLDERS OF DEALER REGISTRATIONS REGARDING ELECTRONIC NICOTINE DELIVERY SYSTEMS AND VAPOR PRODUCTS AND MANUFACTURER REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF SUCH DELIVERY SYSTEMS AND PRODUCTS.

FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING. Substitute for H.B. No. 5570 (RAISED) (File No. 672) AN ACT CONCERNING A TAX CREDIT FOR MILK PRODUCERS.

GOVERNMENT OVERSIGHT. H.B. No. 5572 (RAISED) (File No. 673) AN ACT CONVEYING A PARCEL OF STATE LAND TO THE TOWN OF WOODBURY.

GOVERNMENT OVERSIGHT. Substitute for H.B. No. 5573 (RAISED) (File No. 674) AN ACT CONVEYING A PARCEL OF STATE LAND TO THE CITY OF TORRINGTON.

GOVERNMENT OVERSIGHT. H.B. No. 5574 (RAISED) (File No. 675) AN ACT AMENDING A CONVEYANCE OF A PARCEL OF STATE LAND TO THE TOWN OF HAMDEN.

GOVERNMENT OVERSIGHT. Substitute for H.B. No. 5575 (RAISED) (File No. 676) AN ACT CONVEYING A PARCEL OF STATE LAND TO THE CITY OF SHELTON.

GOVERNMENT OVERSIGHT. Substitute for H.B. No. 5577 (RAISED) (File No. 677) AN ACT AMENDING A CONVEYANCE OF A PARCEL OF LAND TO THE TOWN OF SOMERS.

GOVERNMENT OVERSIGHT. Substitute for H.B. No. 5578 (RAISED) (File No. 678) AN ACT AMENDING A CONVEYANCE OF A PARCEL OF STATE LAND TO THE CHESPROCOTT HEALTH DISTRICT.

GOVERNMENT OVERSIGHT. Substitute for H.B. No. 5581 (RAISED) (File No. 679) AN ACT AMENDING A PRIOR CONVEYANCE OF A PARCEL OF STATE LAND TO THE TOWN OF ROCKY HILL.

**BUSINESS FROM THE SENATE
FAVORABLE REPORTS OF JOINT STANDING COMMITTEES
SENATE BILLS**

The following favorable reports of the Joint Standing Committees were received from the Senate, the bills read the second time and tabled for the Calendar:

COMMERCE. Substitute for S.B. No. 132 (RAISED) (File No. 70) AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE CONNECTICUT-GERMANY TRADE COMMISSION. (As amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A").

ENVIRONMENT. Substitute for S.B. No. 147 (RAISED) (File No. 201) AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY ON THE NEED FOR EXTENDED PRODUCER RESPONSIBILITY FOR ELECTRONIC NICOTINE DELIVERY SYSTEMS AND VAPOR PRODUCTS AND INCLUDING AEROSOL PAINTS UNDER THE PAINT STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM. (As amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A").

COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN. S.B. No. 156 (RAISED) (File No. 6) AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE VOLUNTARY SURRENDER OF INFANTS. (As amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A").

BANKING. S.B. No. 218 (RAISED) (File No. 75) AN ACT REQUIRING A STUDY RELATING TO BANKING ISSUES IN THE STATE. (As amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A").

EDUCATION. Substitute for S.B. No. 222 (RAISED) (File No. 559) AN ACT PERMITTING SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO OFFER AN EXEMPTION FROM THE PHYSICAL EDUCATION CREDIT REQUIREMENT TO HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO PARTICIPATE IN INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS.

LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. S.B. No. 268 (RAISED) (File No. 76) AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE COMPTROLLER TO WITHHOLD PAYMENT FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE PREVAILING WAGE STATUTES.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT. S.B. No. 274 (RAISED) (File No. 153) AN ACT CONCERNING NONRESIDENT LANDLORD REGISTRATION AND INCREASING PENALTIES FOR REPEAT BUILDING AND FIRE CODE VIOLATIONS.

HOUSING. S.B. No. 339 (RAISED) (File No. 129) AN ACT ALLOWING LONG-TERM RENTAL OF BEDROOMS IN A SINGLE-FAMILY HOME AS OF RIGHT. (As amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A").

GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS. Substitute for S.B. No. 393 (RAISED) (File No. 563) AN ACT CONCERNING SPECIAL ELECTIONS TO FILL VACANCIES DUE TO THE DEATH OF CERTAIN ELECTED OFFICIALS.

JUDICIARY. Substitute for S.B. No. 397 (RAISED) (File No. 399) AN ACT CONCERNING DEMOCRACY AND GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY.

JUDICIARY. Substitute for S.B. No. 439 (RAISED) (File No. 366) AN ACT CONCERNING ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCE DEVICES AND SYSTEMS AND SELF-SERVICE KIOSKS IN EMPLOYEE LOUNGES.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT. Substitute for S.B. No. 446 (RAISED) (File No. 230) AN ACT REQUIRING THE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS TO CONDUCT A STUDY CONCERNING THE FEASIBILITY OF AUTHORIZING MUNICIPALITIES THAT HAVE ENTERED INTO REVENUE SHARING AGREEMENTS TO ADOPT DIFFERENTIAL MILL RATES.

GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS. Substitute for S.B. No. 468 (RAISED) (File No. 503) AN ACT CONCERNING REPORTING REQUIREMENTS AND PAYMENT OF NONPROFIT HUMAN SERVICES PROVIDERS. (As amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A").

ADJOURNMENT

Pursuant to House Rule 50, the House adjourned at 4:48 o'clock p.m., to meet again at the Call of the Chair.