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I. Summary

FY 15 General Obligation Bonds¹

Allocations	FY 15 \$	FY 14 \$ (Dec.)
November Agenda	266,970,253	10,493,635
Prior Allocations	193,234,082	494,734,460
TOTAL	460,204,335	505,228,095
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The figures do not include reallocations.

FY 15 Transportation Fund Bonds

Allocations	FY 15 \$	FY 14 \$ (Dec.)
November Agenda	99,252,532	110,766,512
Prior Allocations	491,803,000	549,639,100
TOTAL	591,055,532	660,405,612

Special note on job creation/retention estimates in the SBC agenda:

The Office of Policy and Management has provided an estimate for the number of jobs created or retained for each agenda item. The figures are based on the assumption that for every \$1 million of directly expended project construction costs, a total of 21 jobs are created or retained. Of the 21 job total, 9.4 are direct jobs and 11.6 are supplier jobs.

II. Agenda Items

Item #1 Department of Energy and Environmental Protection: Reallocation of funds for a press box at Bristol Eastern High School's athletic field (\$70,000 in previously allocated General Obligation bonds)

The State Bond Commission allocated \$70,000 at its July 25, 2014 meeting to Bristol for the installation of stadium lights at Bristol Eastern High School's athletic field. The current agenda item reallocates the \$70,000 for construction of a stadium press box at the athletic fields. The funds are being reallocated because the town received \$20,000 in private donations to pay for the stadium lights.

Item #2 Department of Economic and Community Development: Grant-in-aid to the Music Theater of Connecticut in Norwalk (\$230,000 in new General Obligation bonds)

These funds will provide a supplemental grant-in-aid to the Music Theater of Connecticut for renovations and improvements to 509 Westport Avenue in Norwalk for creation of a new theater facility. The State Bond Commission allocated \$150,000 to the Music Theater at its July 2014 meeting.

Background: Founded in 1987, the Music Theater of Connecticut produces an annual series of Equity productions featuring New York professionals, six annual student productions and a conservatory-style school of performing arts with curriculum-based training for students ages four through high school.

Item #3 Department of Transportation: Town Aid Road (TAR) program grants-in-aid (\$30,000,000 in new General Obligation bonds)

Please see Appendix A for a town-by-town list of FY 15 TAR grants-in-aid.

Items #4 & #19 Department of Transportation: Local Bridge Program (a total of \$12,500,109 in new Special Tax Obligation bonds)

The funds will be used to finance Local Bridge Program grants-in-aid to towns for the projects listed in the table below. The grants-in-aid are for between 15% and 50% of total eligible project costs and may be used for the removal, replacement, reconstruction, or rehabilitation of structurally deficient local bridges. The funds cannot be used to construct new bridges.

Town	Description	State \$	Local \$	Other \$	Total \$
Montville	Wellsville Avenue over Trading Cove Brook	185,362	-	500,000	685,362
Bloomfield	Bloomfield, Mountain Avenue over	349,835	386,815	-	736,650
	Tumbledown Brook				
New	New Haven, Crown Street over Church Street	375,644	767,869	-	1,143,513
Haven	Tunnel				

Projects funded under the Local Bridge Program

Town	Description	State \$	Local \$	Other \$	Total \$
Hartford	Hartford, New Park Avenue over Kane Brook	584,944	584,944	-	1,169,888
New	New Milford, Gaylord Road over Morrissey	499,790	560,210	-	1,060,000
Milford	Brook				
Berlin	Berlin, Burnham St. over Mattabessett River and	2,551,297	2,851,703	-	5,403,000
	High Rd. over Sebethe River				
Branford	Branford, Harbor Street over Tidal Channel	726,322	837,678	-	1,564,000
Bristol	Bristol, Memorial Boulevard over Pequabuck	1,302,336	1,357,664	-	2,660,000
	River				
East	East Haddam, Bone Mill Road #2 over unnamed	220,875	244,125	-	465,000
Haddam	brook				
Naugatuck	Naugatuck, Maple Street over Naugatuck River	3,190,880	3,284,120	-	6,475,000
Plymouth	Plymouth, Keegan Road over unnamed brook	282,788	294,212	-	577,000
Durham	Durham, Coe Road over Parmalee Brook	218,270	241,730	-	460,000
Enfield	Enfield, Orlando Road over Beemans Brook	132,165	137,504	-	269,669
New	New Milford, Mud Pond Road over Bull	235,750		-	500,000
Milford	Mountain Brook		264,250		
Putnam	Putnam, East Putnam Road over Mary Brown	784,538		-	1,592,000
	Brook		807,462		
Sharon	Sharon, Dug road over unnamed brook	265,655	388,345	-	654,000
Westbrook	Westbrook, Winthrop and Lynn Roads over Falls	593,658	723,827	-	1,317,485
	River				
TOTAL		12,500,109	13,732,458	500,000	26,732,567

Background: The state's original Local Bridge Program was created in 1984 to assist municipalities with bridges on locally-maintained roadways. It provided towns with: (1) a grant-in-aid of between 10% and 33% of the total eligible project costs and (2) a loan of up to 50% of the eligible project cost from the Local Bridge Revolving Fund. PA 13-239, the bond act, eliminated the loan provision and increased the grant-in-aid to between 15% and 50% of total eligible project costs.

Item #5 Approval of an agreement allowing a \$7,500,000 prior allocation to Connecticut Institute for Communities, Inc. to be paid to a qualified community development entity

At its October 2011 meeting, the State Bond Commission allocated \$7.5 million to assist the Connecticut Institute for Communities, Inc. in constructing a new community health center in Danbury. The current item allows Connecticut Institute for Communities, Inc. to lend the funds to a federally-certified "qualified community development entity" (CDE) that has received an allocation of New Markets tax credits, provided that a substantial amount of the grant proceeds are made available to Connecticut Institute for Communities, Inc. for the health center project. The CDE may use a portion of the money to support the issuance of New Markets tax credits, which may provide additional funding for the Connecticut Institute for Communities' project.

Background on the New Market tax credit program: The New Markets tax credit program uses federal income tax credits to attract private capital for business projects in low-income areas. Investors seeking credits must access them through federally certified for-profit CDEs. The credits equal 39% of the invested amount, and investors must claim them over seven years according to a statutory schedule.

CDEs must lend to or invest the funds in business projects or use them for other specified activities. Business projects include mixed residential and commercial real estate developments where the housing units generate no more than 80% of the project's income.

Background on community development entities: CDEs are certified by the U. S. Treasury Department through a competitive application process. A CDE must: (1) primarily serve low-income people or provide capital to areas where they live and (2) answer to a board of directors that includes people who live in those areas. Investors can access the new market tax credits only by acquiring stock or capital interest in the CDE. The CDE must invest most of the investment proceeds in projects or activities located in low-income communities. For purposes of the credit, federal law defines a low-income area as one where at least 20% of the residents are below the poverty level or earn no more than 80% of the area's median income.

Questions:

- 1. How much of the \$7.5 million will be used to establish a CDE?
- 2. Under what conditions would a decision be made to not establish a CDE and instead use the grant-in-aid to directly finance the office building?

Item #6 Department of Education: Grant-in-aid to two technical high schools to cover the cost of extending school hours (\$434,000 in new General Obligation bonds)

This allocation will be used to establish extended hours programs at A.I Prince and Eli Whitney Technical Schools in Hartford for youth and unemployed or underemployed adults. The funds will cover the cost of staffing, supplies, and equipment. This is the first of several requests to fund extended hours programs at technical schools.

Background: The Connecticut Technical High School System (CTHSS) consists of seventeen comprehensive high schools, the Bristol Technical Education Center (11th and 12th graders and post graduates), and two adult education facilities (Stratford School for Aviation Maintenance and CT Aero Tech). Several of the comprehensive high schools also have full-time day adult programs (i.e. LPN, Dental, Surgical Tech.). The official October 1, 2014 enrollment was 10,794 secondary high school students plus 149 students at Bristol and 438 full-time day adult students for a total district enrollment of 11,381.

The CTHSS receives bond funding for general alterations and improvements on a periodic basis upon request. These funds are generally used to make repairs in the twenty (20) facilities operated by the CTHSS whereby the repair costs cannot be funded through the district's operating budget. Examples include repairs to boilers, roofs, electrical, plumbing, and HVAC work.

Questions:

1. Staffing costs and supplies are usually considered to be operating expenses. Will bond funds continue to be used for operating expenses?

2. Which other technical schools have been selected for extended hours programs?

Item #7 Office of Policy and Management: Information Technology Capital Investment Program (\$1,200,000 in new General Obligation bonds)

This funding will be used to develop and implement information technology enhancements for the Office of Policy and Management (OPM). The table below shows the breakdown of what will be purchased.

Description	OPM \$
Consultant Services	750,000
Software	225,000
Hardware	225,000
TOTAL	1,200,000

Funding under the Information Technology Capital Investment Program

A portion of the funding will be used for OPM's own Information Technology strategic planning and development. It will also be used for pilot projects for new or enhanced use of mobile technology at: (1) Department of Revenue Services; (2) Department of Labor; (3) Department of Public Health; (4) Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection; (5) Department of Consumer Protection; and, (6) Office of the Chief Medical Examiner.

Item #8 Department of Energy and Environmental Protection: State-owned dam inspections and development of an emergency action plan for state-owned dams (\$572,000 in new General Obligation bonds)

The funds will be used to: (1) hire an outside licensed professional engineer to inspect 66 state-owned dams (see Appendix B) before May 31, 2015 and (2) update the Emergency Action Plan (EAP's) as required biennially under state regulation.

The state is required to do the inspections based on Section 4 of PA 13-197, "AAC Dam Safety Program and Mosquito Control". The act requires dam owners to hire a professional engineer to perform a regulatory inspection of certain dams. DEEP received notifications for 66 dams needing regulatory inspection by a professional engineer for the dams listed in Appendix B.

Background: DEEP regulates over 3,043 dams. Of this total, about 75% of regulated dams are privately owned. The state is largest single owner, with 265 dams.

Item #9 Board of Regents for Higher Education: Design of parking and site improvements at Quinebaug Community College in Danielson (\$282,896 in new General Obligation bonds)

The funds will be used to: (1) repave 300 parking spaces and drive aisles using the existing asphalt as "reclaim", along with repaving the campus entry and perimeter "loop" road in the same manner. (2) perform miscellaneous repairs where needed, to the site's drainage system, (3) replace 35 site lights and 17 sidewalk bollard lights with new energy efficient L.E.D. fixtures, and (4) make necessary landscape repairs at disturbed areas.

Background: The existing main campus roadways and parking areas are original to the 1984 campus and are in need of major repairs and upgrades. The project is for design and construction of repairs to a variety of parking and site improvements including parking lots, perimeter loop road, drainage, and replacing old site lighting with energy conservative L.E.D. types, provide new curbing, striping, and sidewalks. Quinebaug Community College currently enrolls approximately 1,900 students.

Items #10, #40 & #44 Department of Correction: Renovations and improvements at departmental facilities (a total of \$825,100 in new General Obligation bonds)

The funding will be used as follows:

- \$240,000 to design parking garage repairs for the New Haven Correctional facility. The parking garage is 21 years old, and repairs needed include repairing concrete cracks, sealing the parking surfaces, drainage improvements, and waterproofing the structural components of the garage.
- \$85,100 to design roof replacements for Robinson and Enfield Correctional Institutions. The roof on Robinson CI is 25 years old and the roof of Enfield CI is about 50 years old. Both facilities are suffering roof failures and leaks.
- \$500,000 for emergency and minor capital projects. Typical emergency repairs include boilers, hot water heaters, and other mechanical, electrical or plumbing systems. Except for one wing of the Bridgeport facility, all of the Department of Correction facilities are over 20 years old.

Item #11 Department of Housing: Flexible Housing Program (\$11,864,053 in new General Obligation bonds)

The funds will be used for the following projects.

- A. <u>Frost Homestead Apartments in Waterbury (\$4,400,000)</u> These funds will support a loan to The Caleb Foundation, Inc., or other eligible applicant, to finance rehabilitation of the Frost Homestead Apartments in Waterbury.
- B. <u>Hill House in Greenwich (\$7,464,053)</u> These funds will provide a grant-in-aid to Hill House, Inc. to finance construction of Hill House II which will contain 24 units of elderly congregate housing in Greenwich. The original Hill House facility currently has 37 units of congregate housing.

Background: The Flexible Housing program provides affordable housing for Connecticut residents, promotes and supports homeownership and mixed income developments, and assists in the revitalization of urban and rural centers. Funding under the program may be in the form of grants or loans on a competitive basis.

Item #12 Office of Policy and Management: Grant-in-aid to Newtown for planning and design of a new Sandy Hook Elementary School (\$5,000,000 in new General Obligation bonds)

The funds will provide a grant-in-aid to Newtown to plan and design a new Sandy Hook Elementary School. The Department of Administrative Services will administer the funds. The town previously received \$6.7 million for this project.

Item #13 Department of Economic and Community Development: Small Business Express Program (\$5,000,000 in new General Obligation bonds)

The funds will be used to recapitalize the Small Business Express Program, which was created by PA 11-1 of the October Special Session. The State Bond Commission allocated \$180 million in total to the program since 2011.

Currently \$80 million remains available for allocation to the program. This includes: (1) the funding requested at this meeting and (2) funds that were made available to the program through the Manufacturing Assistance Act under PA 13-2.

The Express program provides regular loans, forgivable loans, or matching grants to Connecticut-based small businesses and small manufacturers. Awards range from \$10,000 to \$250,000.

In order to be eligible for assistance businesses must:

- Employ no more than 50 people during at least half of its working days during the prior 12 months;
- Be based and operate in Connecticut;
- Have been registered to do business at least for 12 months;
- Be current on all state and local taxes; and
- Be in good standing with all state agencies.

As of October 31, 2014, a total 1,206 businesses have been approved for funding. A total of \$170.9 million of the \$180 million allocation has been paid/will be paid shortly by the Department or has been given to partnering entities to provide to businesses.¹ In total these companies will create 4,478 jobs and retain 12,621 jobs.

¹ The Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD) administers the funds in the Express program with six partnering entities, including the Community Economic Development Fund, the Waterbury Development Corporation, the Connecticut Community Investment Corp., the Hartford Economic Development Corp, the Middlesex County Revitalization Commission, and the SouthEastern Connecticut Enterprise Region.

Questions:

- 1. On average, how much assistance does DECD approve per month through the Express Program?
- 2. Does the agency anticipate the demand for assistance to grow (or decrease) over the next two years?

Item #14 Department of Administrative Services: Statewide Asbestos Abatement Program (\$5,000,000 in new General Obligation bonds)

These funds will be used to finance the estimated costs of the Statewide Asbestos Abatement Program. These funds are expended in support of renovation and repair projects statewide.

Current and Pending Asbestos Abatement Projects in 2014²

- DEEP Seaside Park (if decision is to fully demo) \$2,000,000
- Southbury Training School (on-going) \$10,000,000
- DVA Veterans' Home Dorms \$250,000
- Burrville Fire Training Facility \$300,000
- Ella Grasso Technical High School (on-going) \$500,000
- High Meadows \$300,000
- Cedar Crest (on-going) \$2,500,000
- 79 Elm street canopy (on-going) \$30,000
- DVA Veterans' Home boiler house \$ 100,000
- WCSU Litchfield Hall \$200,000
- CCSU Willard & DeLoreto \$250,000
- 10 Clinton Street, Hartford (on-going) \$2,000,000
- Altobello Campus Kimberly Hall \$250,000
- Naugatuck Valley Community College Founders Hall \$900,000
- DEEP Harkness Park \$200,000
- Osborne Correctional (on-going) \$250,000
- Enfield Correctional (on-going) \$50,000
- WCSU Newberry Hall \$200,000
- State Office Building \$2,000,000
- Connecticut Valley Hospital various minor projects throughout campus; demo Smith House \$500,000
- Numerous minor-emergency abatement projects across various agencies -\$500,000

TOTAL \$23,280,000

 $^{^2}$ Full abatement project costs are listed. Some projects due to construction phasing and budgets have already begun and have been partially funded under previous bonding; therefore future portions of the work will require additional funding to complete the abatement project. Conversely, abatement project costs show estimated total abatement costs; however, they too will have to be phased over multiple funding years in order to complete the project due to construction timing or funding issues.

Item #15 Capital Region Development Authority: Improvements at the Connecticut Convention Center in Hartford and Rentschler Field in East Hartford (\$2,895,000 in new General Obligation bonds)

These funds will finance the capital improvements at the Connecticut Convention Center in Hartford and Rentschler Field in East Hartford listed below.

Facility	Amount \$
Convention Center	
Exterior Awning for Snow Protection	295,000
Loading Dock Improvements	50,000
Carpet Replacement	1,800,000
Construction of Permanent Lobby Box Office	350,000
Subtotal	2,495,000
Rentschler Field	
Field Wall Repairs - Phase 2	116,319
Concourse Leak Repairs	95,000
Electrical Upgrades	137,220
Concession stand Upgrades – Phase 2	51,461
Subtotal	400,000
TOTAL	2,895,000

Connecticut Convention Center and Rentschler Field Projects

Background: Since 2012, the State Bond Commission allocated \$1.3 million to the Convention Center for capital improvements and \$3.1 million to Rentschler Field for a replacement scoreboard and capital and code improvements.

Item #16 Board of Regents for Higher Education: Design of parking garage repairs at Housatonic Community College in Bridgeport (\$487,039 in new General Obligation bonds)

These funds will finance long-term restoration repairs such as: (1) façade restoration, (2) elevator and stair tower upgrades, and (3) improvements to concrete block walls, including repairs, sealing and painting. In addition the project will integrate energy efficient lighting and storm management components. The repairs are the result of a study that was conducted in 2011. The study noted areas where restoration and remediation work was required in order to extend the useful life of the building framing system. The remediation work, which was completed in November 2014, was supported by a \$532,740 allocation from the State Bond Commission in February 2014.

Background: The existing parking garage facility is an eight-story structure consisting of approximately 440,000 sq. ft. It was originally constructed in 1968 and has undergone a series of renovations and modifications to accommodate Housatonic Community

College student parking requirements. Housatonic Community College currently enrolls approximately 5,800 students.

Item #17 Connecticut Innovations, Inc.: Regenerative Medicine Research Fund (\$10,000,000 in new General Obligation bonds)

These funds will support grants-in-aid for the regenerative medicine research projects listed below.

Location/Project	Researcher	Amount \$
Yale University		
Continued Support and Technology Development for Shared Core Facilities at the Yale Stem Cell Center	Haifan Lin	500,000
Studying the Therapeutic Role of iPSCs in Human Lupus	Joseph Craft	1,200,000
Dissecting human embryonic stem cell pluripotency with functional genomics approaches	Natalia Ivanova	550,200
Reconstruction of an outer retina for transplantation and pharmaceutical testing	Lawrence Rizzolo	550,200
Modeling Pax7-associated craniofacial defects with Human ES derived neural crest	Martin Garcia-Castro	500,000
Regulation of Stem Cell Self-Renewal and Differentiation during Human Neurogenesis	Weimin Zhong	550,200
TNFR-Bmx signaling in cardiac stem cells and cardiac repair	Wang Min	750,000
Engineering patient-specific tracheas using iPSC-derived airway epithelial cells	Mahboobe Ghaedi	199,900
Use of human embryonic stem cells and murine neural stem cells to elucidate pro-apoptotic signaling in Glioblastoma	Samuel Katz	200,000
Understanding mechanism of tissue repair by live imaging	Sangbum Park	200,000
Human embryonic and patient-derived induced pluripotent stem cell models of neuronal ceroid lipofuscinosis	Sreeganga Chandra	200,000
Investigating the role of RIFI in human embryonic stem cells	Yifei Liu	200,000
Subtotal		5,600,500
University of Connecticut		
UCONN-Wesleyan Stem Cell Core	Marc Lalande, Ren-He Xu	500,000
Using Dup15q iPSCs to explore the genetics and synaptic pathophysiology of autism	Stormy Chamberlain	1,100,000
Modeling human cortico-striatal circuit and understanding dendritic spines in schizophrenia	Xin-Ming Ma	750,000
Use of neonatal Human Induced Pluripotent Stem Cells and Human Embryonic Stem Cells in Hyperoxia Induced Lung Injury	Christine Finck	750,000
In vivo characterization of periosteal mesenchymal stem cells	Brya Matthews	199,500
Subtotal	·	3,299,500
Jackson Laboratories		
Mechanisms of Crohn's Disease Revealed by Patient-Specific Stem Cells	Frank McKeon	1,100,000
TOTAL		10,000,000

Background: PA 14-98 changed the name of the Stem Cell Research Fund to the Regenerative Medicine Research Fund and broadened the scope of the Fund to include "regenerative medicine." The Act defines "regenerative medicine" as the process for creating living, functional tissue to repair or replace tissues or organ function lost due to aging, disease, damage, or congenital defects. Regenerative medicine also includes basic stem cell research. The Regenerative Medicine Advisory Committee reviews and recommends research grants from the Regenerative Medicine Research Fund.

Items #18 & #23 Department Education: Grants-in-aid to Commissioner's Network Schools for alterations, repairs, improvements, technology and equipment (a total of \$5,941,200 in new General Obligation bonds)

The funds will be used to make building improvements and address site deficiencies at seventeen Commissioner's Network Schools, as indicated in the table below.

School	Description	Amount \$
West Haven School District	Outfitting 20 classrooms for full-day Kindergarten	1,000,000
Windsor Locks Public Schools	iPads and STEM equipment	200,000
Wilbur Cross	Furniture, repairs, computers, laptops, science equipment	132,000
DiLoreto School	Auditorium upgrades, repairs and alterations	323,000
Uncas School	Carpeting and furniture	32,000
Walsh School	Smartboards, upgrades and alterations	200,000
High School in the Community	Creation of a multi-purpose student room, upgrades	500,000
Milner School	Improvements for a new computer lab	306,410
Clark School	Security related improvements, iPads and laptops	400,000
Dunbar School	Laptop carts, including laptops	105,000
Curiale School	Repair school blacktop and classroom window sills	350,000
O'Brien STEM Academy	Door replacement, pavement expansion, classroom dividers	268,000
Marin School	Computer, smartboards, gym improvements	328,600
Pulaski Middle School	Auditorium upgrades, repairs and alterations	500,000
John Barry Elementary School	Chrome books, iPads, adaptive playground installation	427,690
Micro Sociey/West Rock Author's Academy	Classroom repairs, playground equipment, security cameras, computer lab equipment	500,000
Slade Middle School	Auditorium upgrades, fitness room expansion, chrome books	368,500
TOTAL		5,941,200

Capital Projects for Low-Performing Schools

Background: The Commissioner's Network is a partnership between local government and the State Department of Education (SDE) to turn around up to 25 of the state's lowest-performing schools by offering additional resources. Schools are selected by the Commissioner of Education to participate pursuant to CGS Sec. 10-223h. After the Commissioner of Education selected the schools to join the Commissioner's Network, the schools developed Turnaround Plans, which the State Board of Education approved. The schools were then invited by the SDE to identify needs aligned to allowable bond investments. Schools submitted bond requests to the SDE, and SDE reviewed requests for reasonableness and alignment to the school's turnaround plan and reform strategies. Schools were asked to refine their requests, incorporating feedback from SDE. In total, the majority of the Network schools have requested bond funding, leading the SDE to submit bond requests on behalf of these schools.

The capital improvements and technology investments proposed for the Network schools vary and align to each school's needs and turnaround strategies.

Item #19 Department of Transportation: Local Bridge Program (a total of \$12,500,109 in new Special Tax Obligation bonds)

See Item #4.

Items #20, #21, #36 & #37 Department of Transportation: Department of Transportation: Construction of a new maintenance and repair facility in Rocky Hill (a total of \$35,000,000 in new Special Tax Obligation bonds)

The funds will be used to construct a new 82,000 sq. ft. DOT repair facility located on Brook Street in Rocky Hill. The new facility will the collaboration of personnel from the Wethersfield and Portland maintenance and repair facilities and will be responsible for the maintenance and repairs of the state's highways and bridges. The design phase is expected to begin in December 2014 and construction is expected to begin in April 2015.

<u>Question:</u> When will the facility be completed?

Item #21 Department of Transportation: Department of Transportation: Construction of a new maintenance and repair facility in Rocky Hill (a total of \$35,000,000 in new Special Tax Obligation bonds)

See Item #20.

Item #22 Department Education: School Infrastructure Competitive Grant Program (\$22,000,000 in new General Obligation bonds)

Please see Appendix C for a town-by-town list of 445 school security infrastructure grants-in-aid at existing schools, including the total amount requested, the state share and the local match. The state grants-in-aid are subject to downward revision if unallowable expenses are discovered.

Background: The School Security Infrastructure Competitive Grant Program was established by PA 13-3, An Act Concerning Gun Violence Prevention and Children's

Safety. The program was expanded by PA 14-98 to encompass additional schools including private schools and publically endowed institutions.

The program allows local and regional boards of education to be reimbursed for 20% to 80% of eligible expenses. Eligible expenses include, but are not limited to: installation of surveillance cameras, penetration-resistant vestibules, ballistic glass, solid core doors, double access doors, computer-controlled electronic locks, entry door buzzer systems, scan card systems, panic alarms, or systems and; the training of school personnel in the operation and maintenance of the security infrastructure of school buildings. In addition, the purchase of portable entrance security devices, including but not limited to metal detector wands and screening machines and related training. Expenses related to School Resource Officers are ineligible.

Item #23 Department Education: Grants-in-aid to Commissioner's Network Schools for alterations, repairs, improvements, technology and equipment (a total of \$5,941,200 in new General Obligation bonds)

See Item #18.

Item #24 Capital Region Development Authority (CRDA): Housing development projects in Hartford (\$4,607,819 in previously allocated General Obligation bonds)

This item reallocates funding for the following projects in Hartford:

A. <u>TAROB, Inc. (\$2,487,819)</u> - This request will convert a \$2,487,819 loan to TAROB, Inc. to an equity investment. The State Bond Commission previously allocated funding to support the loan at its February 2014 meeting in conjunction with \$1,802,158 to support an equity investment. The total equity investment under this request will be \$4,289,977. The original terms of the loan were 2.0% interest for a ten year, with a 25 year amortization schedule and payments deferred for six years. CRDA was to receive an equity stake in the property with the \$1,802,158 investment.

Background: The funding will to assist with the development of the Residences at Riverview, a ten story mixed-use, mixed-income high-rise building with 48 rental units and 20,000 square feet of commercial space at 3 Constitution Plaza in Hartford.

B. <u>CIL Development Incorporated (\$2,120,000)</u> - This request will provide supplemental \$2.12 million loan from previously-allocated bond funds to assist in creating a lease-up³ collateral fund to act as a guarantee for the privately-funded first mortgage until revenue flow begins. The funds will only be drawn down if operating revenues fall short. The loan will be provided initially as a construction loan at an interest rate of 3.0%. The loan will be converted to a 1.0%

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³ Lease-up is the time period for a newly available property to attract tenants and reach stabilized occupancy.

permanent loan for 40 years, which will be subordinate to the conventional first mortgage loan. The interest rate will be reset in year ten to a rate not in excess of the primary conventional mortgage and subject to the projects cash flow.

As of February 4, 2014, the developer was awaiting clearance from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for building remediation.⁴ Assuming that the project receives EPA approval this month, the purchase would close and remediation would begin in April 2015 and last about six months. Construction would follow and the units could be ready for occupancy by December 2015.

Background: The State Bond Commission previously allocated \$5 million to support a loan to CIL Development Incorporated to assist in financing the Capewell Lofts project into approximately 72 units of housing, including studio, one, two and three bedroom units. The project also includes approximately 5,400 sq. ft. of commercial space.



Former Capewell Horse Nail Factory

Background: The Capital Region Development Authority (CRDA) provides grants or loans to encourage residential housing development in downtown Hartford. Specifically, CRDA seeks projects that are 80% market rate and 20% affordable and has designated a portion of its funding for small projects (less than 20 units). CRDA requires its funds to be leveraged by private lending and/or equity contributions and the amount of assistance and its nature are determined on a case by case basis.

<u>Question:</u> This item reallocates \$2.1 million for the Capewell Lofts project. Why is this funding available for reallocation? What other CRDA project is not going forward?

Item #25 Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection: Roof replacement at the Connecticut Fire Academy in Windsor Locks (\$1,102,700 in new General Obligation bonds)

⁴ Gregory Seay, "With \$5M from CRDA, Capewell housing awaits EPA," *Hartford Business Journal*, February 4, 2014.

The funds will be used to remove and replace approximately 23,000 sq. ft. of roofing at the CT Fire Academy in Windsor Locks. The current roof is coal tar pitch and the new roof will be a three-ply modified bitumen cold-applied roofing system.

<u>Question:</u> How long will the project take to complete?

Items #26 & #32 Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection: Alterations and improvements at departmental facilities (a total of \$1,280,000 in new General Obligation bonds)

The funds will be used for the projects described in the table below.

Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection Capital Projects

Project	Amount \$
Meriden Complex Natural Gas Conversion Study: The Mulcahy Complex in	200,000
Meriden utilizes a central steam heating system built in the 1930s. The funds are	
to perform a study on the feasibility of converting to a natural gas powered	
system for increased efficiency and reduced operational cost.	
Forensic Lab Repaying: The funds will be used to repaye the front parking lot at	175,000
the lab in Meriden to mitigate current hazards to pedestrian and vehicle traffic.	
Police Academy Repaying: The funds will be used to repave the skid track at the	185,000
police academy to facilitate continued use in training by state and local police.	
Training Village Upgrades: The funds will be used to repair and upgrade the	20,000
firearms training village at the police academy, which provides situational	
training for state and local police officers.	
<u>Fuel Pump Upgrades:</u> The funds will be used to repair and upgrade DESPP fuel	200,000
pumps to ensure continued operation and compliance with DEEP requirements.	
The work includes underground tanks and pumps at certain facilities.	
Emergency and Minor Facility Repairs: Minor and time-sensitive work needed	500,000
to maintain departmental facilities	
TOTAL	1,280,000

Item #27 Department of Energy and Environmental Protection: State park renovation and improvement projects (\$3,804,625 in new General Obligation bonds)

The funds will be used for renovations and improvements at various DEEP facilities:

DEEP Renovation and Improvement Projects

Project	Location	Cost \$
Bridge design & repair	Various state parks & forests	2,000,000
Reconstruct & repave Hell Hollow Road	Griswold & Voluntown	356,000
Design of a new maintenance complex	Sherwood Island State Park - Westport	248,625
Design of Sherwood Island Lane bridge	Sherwood Island State Park - Westport	200,000
Minor capital repairs	various state parks & forests	1,000,000
TOTAL	·	3,804,625

Background for minor capital repairs: DEEP controls over 400 buildings and 250,000 acres of land. The funds will be used for minor capital projects that are too small to bring to the bond commission as an individual project. Projects will be prioritized by a staff committee that represents DEEP's various disciplines. Project examples include: (1) a new roof on a small building; (2) re-drill of a failed drinking water well at a campground; (3) replacement of a failed boiler at a building; (4) small building demolition; (5) reapplication of non-slip flooring at beach facility bathhouses; (6) materials for the replacement of a pedestrian bridge in a park; and (7) replacement of garage doors on an 80-year-old shop building.

Background: DEEP projects are selected based on an evaluation of 51 state parks and forest recreation areas against an established infrastructure baseline. Priority is given to addressing public health and safety issues, building code and/or OSHA violations, and replacement of failing infrastructure.

Item #28 Judicial Department: Window replacement project at the Danbury Superior Court House (\$2,441,357 in new General Obligation bonds)

The funds will be used for a window replacement project at the Danbury Superior Courthouse at 146 White Street. The project consists of the removal and replacement of the existing window curtain wall systems for the entire courthouse. The current window system, which is is part of the original building from 1984, has deteriorated, causing gaskets, trim, glazing, and sealants to be fail. This has allowed water to infiltrate the building in several areas and damage interior finishes.

Items #29 & #45 Judicial Department: Technology Strategic Plan Project (a total of \$3,620,000 in new General Obligation bonds

The funds will be used for the agency's Technology Strategic Plan, including changes to: (1) the Alternative Processing Center (\$2.8 million) and (2) the e-filing web system (\$820,000).

The Alternative Processing Center, along with the primary data center, connects networks and data from all the courthouses, detention centers, and offices statewide. The funds will be used to upgrade the data storage and network equipment to increase the capacity to store and transmit greater volumes of data. This has become increasingly necessary due to the expansion of applications to provide online access to case information for attorneys and the public and for the courthouses, detention centers, and offices to transact business. Of the \$2.8 million total cost, \$2,205,000 is for hardware updates and \$595,000 is for software upgrades.

The e-filing enhancements will allow e-filing for the Appellate Case Management System. Currently electronic filing of cases is mandatory in civil and small claims cases for attorneys to reduce data entry functions and storage of paper documents. E-filing provides attorneys and judges with almost real-time access to filed documents and the ability to respond more quickly to motion and other filings. The entire cost of the project, \$820,000, is for consultant services.

Items #30 & #48 Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services: Grants-in-aid to three nonprofit providers of community mental health and addiction treatment services (a total of \$764,437 in new General Obligation bonds)

The table below lists the repair and improvement projects at non-profit community providers of mental health and addiction services that will be funded by this item.

Town	Agency	Amount \$	Description
Branford	BHcare, Inc.	38,925	The BHcare sites at 31-33 Briarwood Lane in Branford serve individuals in the Harbor Apartment and Respite Program (HARP). Services are provided in a cluster apartment model with intensive supervision, allowing for on-site support to assist with activities of daily living. Respite services provide temporary supervision to individuals with increased symptoms or those discharged from the hospital requiring supervision. Requested funds will enable the installation of an 80kw standby generator with an automatic transfer switch.
New Haven	Chemical Abuse Services Agency, Inc.	180,240	The Multicultural Ambulatory Addictions Services (MAAS) facility at 426 East Street offers a Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) program, Day Treatment program, Outpatient Treatment program, and Primary Care clinic for Spanish and English speaking participants. Requested funds will support the construction of two clinician offices, replacement of 38 windows, installation of a standby generator, replacement of the 10,240 square foot roof, and masonry work in various areas of the building.
New Britain	Farrell Treatment Center	545,272	The substance abuse treatment center at 586 Main Street in New Britain supports a 24 bed residential facility for men as well as outpatient services for men and women. The inpatient program offers individual and group therapies for up to 28 days, serving approximately 300 men annually. The outpatient program provides structure and support while in the community, serving approximately 500 clients annually. Requested funds will support fire code upgrades (sprinklers, fire barriers, exits), health code upgrades (prevent access to laundry through commercial kitchen), window replacement, and electrical system upgrades.
		764,437	TOTAL

Projects at Non-profit Community Providers

Item #31 Department of Administrative Services: Renovation and improvement projects at state-owned buildings (\$4,533,891 in new General Obligation bonds)

The time frame to complete roof replacement at:

- 61 Woodland Street, Hartford (\$55,000) -- Design Phase: 60 Days
- 11 Shuttle Road, Farmington (\$400,000) -- Design Phase: 44 Days
- 10 Franklin Square, New Britain (\$1,057,465) -- Construction Phase: 75 Days
- Campbell Building, Uncas-on-Thames, Norwich (\$513,676) -- Construction Phase: 90 Days

Interior improvements at 450 Capitol Avenue, Hartford (\$800,000) - The scope of work includes interior building improvements for floors one through five at 450 Capitol Ave. This work includes carpet replacement, new stair treads/risers at the main stair, painting of walls and ceilings, replacement of ceiling tiles, and steam cleaning the systems furniture panels. Much of this work will occur after hours as the work will be performed while the space remains occupied.

Interior & exterior improvements at 450 Uncas Campus, Norwich (\$207,750)

- <u>Cottage No. 8 and Paint Shop Building / Exterior Improvements</u>: Both buildings have asphalt shingles that have exceeded their useful life that need to be replaced. This scope includes new roof shingles, new rain gutters and downspouts and replacement of rake/trim/fascia boards. In addition, the cottage requires substantial exterior repairs (chimney repointing, new windows, exterior doors and vinyl siding).
- <u>Campbell Building</u>: The scope of work includes the repair and painting of walls & doors in the common areas and public building corridors.

Emergency/Minor Capital Projects funds (\$1,500,000) - Emergency and Minor Capital Projects funds will be used to deal with unanticipated and or emergency projects as well as minor projects addressed on an as needed basis.

Item #32 Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection: Alterations and improvements at departmental facilities (a total of \$1,280,000 in new General Obligation bonds)

See Item #26.

Item #33 Department Education – Regional Vocational-Technical Schools: Renovation and improvement projects at various schools (\$1,646,530 in new General Obligation bonds)

Location	Description	Cost \$
Wolcott, Bristol Tech, Vinal	Design of paving and site improvements	696,530
Bullard Havens, Bridgeport	Alteration & improvements	217,045
Grasso, Groton	Alteration & improvements	157,496

Regional Vocational-Technical Schools Renovation and Improvement Projects

Location	Description	Cost \$
Vinal, Middletown	Alteration & improvements	29,848
Goodwin, New Britain	Alteration & improvements	40,031
Kaynor, Waterbury	Alteration & improvements	162,587
Windham, Willimantic	Alteration & improvements	62,600
As needed emergency/minor repairs	Alteration & improvements	280,393
TOTAL	^	1,646,530

Background: The Connecticut Technical High School System (CTHSS) consists of seventeen comprehensive high schools, the Bristol Technical Education Center (11th and 12th graders and post graduates), and two adult education facilities (Stratford School for Aviation Maintenance and CT Aero Tech). Several of the comprehensive high schools also have full-time day adult programs (i.e. LPN, Dental, Surgical Tech.). The official October 1, 2014 enrollment was 10,794 secondary high school students plus 149 students at Bristol and 438 full-time day adult students for a total district enrollment of 11,381.

The CTHSS receives bond funding for general alterations and improvements on a periodic basis upon request. These funds are generally used to make repairs in the twenty (20) facilities operated by the CTHSS whereby the repair costs cannot be funded through the district's operating budget. Examples include repairs to boilers, roofs, electrical, plumbing, and HVAC work.

Item #34 Department Education – Regional Vocational-Technical Schools: Purchase of new and replacement equipment and vehicles (\$6,400,000 in new General Obligation bonds)

The funds will be used to purchase: (1) replacement of trade and academic equipment (\$4.3 million) and (2) the replacement of technology hardware throughout the district (\$2.1 million). The table below provides a list of the technology hardware that will be replaced throughout the district.

Location	Item	Quantity	Cost \$
All locations	Desktop Computers / 1 to 1	75	1,300,000
	devices/ patch cables		
All locations	Printers BW and Color	31	70,000
Windham, Vinal, Grasso, Platt, BHT, Norwich	Interactive Whiteboards	5	180,000
Cheney, Prince, Norwich	Network Switches	50	225,000
All locations	Wireless Access Points	2	53,000
Wolcott, Platt, BHT, Bristol, Grasso	Data Wiring	14	235,000
BHT, Platt,	Document Cameras	multiple	12,000
Vinal, BHT, Goodwin, Cheney	Projectors (short throw and	multiple	25,000
	ceiling mount)		
TOTAL			2,100,000

Replacement Technology Hardware for the Vocational-Technical Schools

Item #35 Department Education – Regional Vocational-Technical Schools: New and replacement equipment for the manufacturing cluster expansion at various vo-tech high schools (\$5,000,000 in new General Obligation bonds)

The table below lists the items that will be purchased with this funding.

Program Upgrades	Cost \$
Bristol Tech- Replace outdated equipment and upgrade precision machines and CNC technology including facility infrastructure to support the new technology	360,000
Howell Cheney Tech- Replace outdated equipment and upgrade precision machines and CNC technology including facility infrastructure to support the new technology	80,000
Windham Tech- Replace outdated equipment and upgrade precision machines and CNC technology including facility infrastructure to support the new technology	600,000
Wolcott Tech- Replace outdated equipment and upgrade precision machines and CNC technology including facility infrastructure to support the new technology	250,000
Platt Tech- Replace surface grinders	20,000
Kaynor Tech- Replace outdated equipment and upgrade precision machines and CNC technology including facility infrastructure to support the new technology	450,000
Abbott Tech- Replace CNC plasma cutter	30,000
Goodwin Tech- Replace outdated equipment and upgrade precision machines and CNC technology including facility infrastructure to support the new technology	800,000
Bullard Havens Tech - Purchase of new precision machines and CNC technology including facility infrastructure to support the new technology- <i>New program</i>	1,000,000
Ellis Tech- Replace 6 precision lathes	140,000
Vinal Tech- Replace outdated equipment and upgrade precision machines and CNC technology including facility infrastructure to support the new technology	800,000
Statewide- Computer and technology upgrades for the CNC and CAD labs	470,000
TOTAL	5,000,000

Item #36 Department of Transportation: Construction of a new maintenance and repair facility in Rocky Hill (a total of \$35,000,000 in new Special Tax Obligation bonds)

See Item #20.

Item #37 Department of Transportation: Construction of a new maintenance and repair facility in Rocky Hill (a total of \$35,000,000 in new Special Tax Obligation bonds)

See Item #20.

Item #38 Connecticut Innovations, Inc.: Recapitalization of CII programs (\$25,000,000 in new General Obligation bonds)

These funds will recapitalize programs administered by Connecticut Innovations, Inc. (CII), including its Equity Pipeline and PreSeed programs. As of September 27, 2014,

CII had sufficient cash balance to fund its current project commitments. However, the agency did not have enough funds available to formally commit to the new projects it was negotiating with new potential participants in its programs. The \$25 million will enable CII to commit funding for the new projects.

Prior to the current item, the State Bond Commission allocated \$33.5 million to recapitalize CII's programs and the agency has expended all of these funds. The unallocated balance in this account after the current \$25 million allocation is \$60 million.

Questions:

- 1. Is the allocation sufficient enough to fund the level of applications to the agency's programs?
- 2. Does CII currently have a list of projects ready for funding from this allocation?

Item #39 Department of Transportation: Development of a rail station in Hamden along the New Haven/Hartford/Springfield commuter line (\$500,000 in new Special Tax Obligation bonds)

The funds will finance preliminary planning and environmental studies for development of a rail station in Hamden along the New Haven/Hartford/Springfield commuter line. The commuter line is a planned rail service between New Haven, Connecticut and Springfield, Massachusetts that will use Amtrak's New Haven-Springfield Line and supplement existing intercity rail services between the two cities.

Item #40 Department of Correction: Renovations and improvements at departmental facilities (a total of \$825,100 in new General Obligation bonds)

See Item #10.

Item #41 State Library: Grant-in-aid to Wheeler School and Library in North Stonington (\$140,009 in previously allocated General Obligation bonds)

The funds will support a grant-in-aid awarded by the State Library Commission to the Wheeler Library in North Stonington in November 2013. The project scope is to repair ten large, old and energy inefficient windows at an estimated cost of \$280,000. Half the cost will be covered by the Wheeler Library, as a match to the state funds. Library revenues currently come from an endowment and through local town contributions.

Item #42 State Library: Grant-in-aid to The Public Library of North London (\$75,000 in new General Obligation bonds)

These funds will be used by the Public Library of New London: (1) to provide ADA accessibility, (2) to make energy efficiency improvements, and (3) for interior and exterior renovations.

Background: The Public Library of New London, which opened in 1891, was established with a \$65,000 fund left by Henry P. Haven. In 1974, the library added a modern 15,000 sq. ft. building at the existing site. Further renovations to create more space for increased collections and administrative offices were finished as of March 2001. Renovations to the Children's area and the meeting rooms were made in 2006.

Item #43 Military Department: Purchase of land for a security perimeter at the Connecticut Air National Guard Base at Bradley International Airport in Windsor Locks (\$500,000 in new General Obligation bonds)

The funds will be used to purchase 4.52 acres of land adjacent to the Connecticut Air National Guard Base at Bradley International Airport in Windsor Locks. The purchase will allow the planning phase for a largely federally-funded construction project to move forward. The project will enhance base security by: (1) relocating the existing main entrance, (2) creating a new Gate House, Visitors Center, Vehicle Inspection Station and (3) expanding and improving the road network. The project is being undertaken because the analysis phase of BRAC 2005 indicated that the main entrance at the Windsor Locks facility failed to meet established Federal Department of Defense standards for protection of personnel and priority resources.

Item #44 Department of Correction: Renovations and improvements at departmental facilities (a total of \$825,100 in new General Obligation bonds)

See Item #10.

Item #45 Judicial Department: Technology Strategic Plan Project (a total of \$3,620,000 in new General Obligation bonds

See Item #29.

Item #46 Department of Transportation: State matching funds for replacement of the Walk Bridge swing bridge on the New Haven Line in Norwalk (\$53,659,674 in new Special Tax Obligation bonds)

The funds will finance construction of a new bridge to replace the New Haven Rail Line River Bridge in Norwalk, which was constructed in 1896 and is the oldest movable bridge along the Northeast rail corridor. The new bridge will have a vertical lift that opens for marine traffic from one side with a counterweight system. The construction is expected to begin in 2016 and be completed in 2019.

Funding Source for the New Haven Rail Line River Bridge in Norwalk

Funding Description	Amount \$
November 2014 SBC allocation	53,659,674
Federal Emergency Relief Funds	160,979,022
Future Federal Funds	146,000,000

Funding Description	Amount \$
Future State Bond allocation	104,500,000
Total Estimated Cost	465,138,696

Background: The current swing bridge was built in 1896 for the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad. It currently carries Amtrak and Metro-North Railroad trains over the Norwalk River. The State Bond Commission allocated \$3.0 million at its July 2014 meeting to keep the old bridge operational until the new bridge is completed.



Historic Walk Bridge in Norwalk

Item #47 Department of Transportation: Funding for two strategic transportation projects (\$9,500,000 in new Special Tax Obligation bonds)

These funds will finance: (1) the design phase of the installation of a cab signal system with automatic train control on the 27 mile long Waterbury branch and (2) a study on the Route 2 corridor required under section 18 of PA 14-199.

Description	Amount \$
Design of Cab Signal and Automatic Train Control - Waterbury Line	7,000,000
Route 2 Corridor Study – East Hartford/Glastonbury	2,500,000
Total	9,500,000

Question: What are the timelines for these projects?

Item #48 Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services: Grants-in-aid to three nonprofit providers of community mental health and addiction treatment services (a total of \$764,437 in new General Obligation bonds)

See Item #30.

Item #49 Department of Veteran's Affairs: Boiler plant improvements at the Veteran's Home in Rocky Hill (\$117,335 in new General Obligation bonds)

The funds will finance a construction contract to replace a 75 year old boiler at the Veterans Home in Rocky Hill. The improvements include replacement of the old boiler unit and all connective piping with a new tank and piping. The projected is expected to be completed by spring 2015.

Items #50 & #54 Department of Economic and Community Development: Grant-in-aid to New Haven for the Downtown Crossing project (a total of \$21,500,000 in new General Obligation bonds)

The funds will support a grant-in-aid to New Haven for Phase 2 of the Downtown Crossings project. This phase will connect Union Station, the Medical District and the Hill neighborhood with Downtown New Haven by rejoining South Orange Street across the current Route 34 towards Union Station (see diagram below). The project also includes pedestrian improvements to the State Street underpass, a bike lane on Water Street, and the relocation of utilities and storm water improvements.



Downtown Crossing: Orange Street Design

Background: Downtown Crossing is the city's plan to transform Route 34 East by reclaiming 10 acres for transit-oriented development. The infrastructure improvements in Phase 2 will support the \$395 million redevelopment of the former New Haven Coliseum site (see artist's rendering below) by developer LiveWorkLearnPlay.

Phase I of the project, scheduled for 2013-2015, involves the conversion of MLK and South Frontage Road to urban boulevards, the reconstruction of College Street and the

development of 100 College Street. New Haven won a \$16 million TIGER II to support this phase of the project.

Phase III, scheduled for 2016-2020, involves reconstruction of Temple Street which will further enable the development of 10 acres of land in the project area.



Artist's rendering of the New Haven Coliseum Site Redevelopment

Item #51 Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services: Renovation and improvement projects at Connecticut Valley Hospital (\$722,090 in new General Obligation bonds)

The funds will support the following repair and improvement projects at CT Valley Hospital:

Location	Cost \$	Description
Page Hall & Merritt Hall	121,817	Design of a new generator.
Whiting Forensic Institute	123,933	Replacement of the gym roof.
Cotter and Haviland	76,340	Upgrade of the fire alarm system.
Emergency/Minor Capitol Projects	400,000	Urgent and minor projects at various
		locations
TOTAL	722,090	

Projects at Connecticut Valley Hospital

Item #52 Department of Economic and Community Development: Manufacturing Assistance Act (\$15,850,000 in new General Obligation bonds and \$3,718,217 in previously allocated General Obligation bonds)

A. <u>Electric Boat Corporation (\$10,000,000)</u> - These funds will support a loan for machinery, equipment and building improvements associated with expansion of operations in Groton. As part of the expansion, Electric Boat will invest \$31.5 million and add up to 200 new employees to its Connecticut workforce of 8,700. The loan will be provided at an interest rate of 2% for ten years, with principal and interest deferred for four years. The company will be eligible for loan forgiveness within four years if it meets the employment obligation of 8,900 within two years and maintains the jobs for 24 consecutive months.

As part of its expansion plans, Electric Boat will purchase a parcel of land and buildings at 9 King's Highway in Groton that is currently owned by Pfizer Corporation. A portion of the project will involve improvements to the former Pfizer property, as well as upgrades to Electric Boat's existing facilities and equipment located in Groton.

Background: Electric Boat is the U.S. Navy's prime contractor for the design and construction of the U.S. Navy's Virginia Class nuclear submarines, subcontracting with nearly 600 vendors across Connecticut. In April, the U.S. Navy awarded Electric Boat a contract valued at \$17.6 billion for the construction and delivery of the next block (Block IV) of Virginia Class submarines.

Since 2007, the State Bond Commission allocated: (1) \$9.9 million for a loan supporting renovations to Graving Docks and (2) \$15 million for a grant to finance equipment and construction related to its acquisition of the Pfizer Corporation research facilities in new London for an engineering center.

B. <u>Deringer-Ney, Inc. (\$5,000,000)</u> - These funds will support a loan to assist with leasehold improvements, machinery, equipment, relocation and related costs for relocation and expansion to a new facility in Bloomfield. The loan will be provided at an interest rate of 2% for ten years with principal and interest deferred for six years. The company will be eligible for \$3 million in loan forgiveness if it meets the job retention and creation goals within five years.

Background: Deringer-Ney, with a Connecticut location in Bloomfield, invents specialty alloys and makes precision manufactured parts for a wide variety of applications as well as custom electrical contacts and contact assemblies for switches and controls.

C. <u>Atlantic City Linen Supply, LLC (\$850,000)</u> - These funds will support a loan to assist in acquisition of machinery and equipment at its facility in Norwich. The loan will be provided at an interest rate of 2% for ten years with principal. The funds will also support a \$100,000 grant-in-aid for employee training. The company will retain 110 jobs and create 20 new jobs.

Background: Atlantic City Linen Supply, LLC a family owned and operated commercial laundry and dry cleaning company based in Atlantic City, New Jersey with additional locations in Pleasantville, NJ and Norwich, CT.

D. <u>Amco Precision Tools, Inc. (\$2,100,000)</u> - These funds will support a loan to assist in acquisition of machinery, equipment and raw materials for expansion at its facility in Kensington.

Background: Founded in 1966, AMCO Precision Tool specializes in intricate aerospace and commercial parts and provides a variety of support services to meet customer specifications, from purchasing raw materials, to plating, heat treating, assembly and testing.

E. <u>Various Small Projects (\$1,618,217)</u> - This funding will support various small projects and programs and administrative costs associated with the Manufacturing Assistance Act program. The funds will allow DECD to finance the small business development projects (under \$500,000) it is currently negotiating.

<u>Question:</u> This item includes \$3,718,217 in previously-allocated funds. Why are these funds available for reallocation? Which MAA projects were these funds originally intended for and why are those projects not going forward?

Item #53 Office of Policy and Management: Local Capital Improvement Program - LoCIP (\$10,000,000 in new General Obligation bonds)

LoCIP is an entitlement program for municipalities that provides General Obligation bond funds for eligible projects, as defined in statute. New funds are annually deposited into municipal accounts administered by the Office of Policy and Management (OPM) on March 1st. Towns may choose to: (1) expend the funds on smaller projects or (2) accumulate the funds over a period of time for one large project.

Towns begin the process of accessing their LoCIP funds by submitting a proposal to OPM describing the proposed project and certifying that it is part of the town's capital improvement plan. If OPM grants approval, the town may proceed to carry out the project. Because LoCIP is a reimbursement program, towns must first incur the expense for a project before reimbursement can be requested. Reimbursement may be made in one lump sum for a smaller project or in a series of payments as successive stages of a larger project are completed.

Item #54 Office of Policy and Management: Urban Action Program (\$22,256,154 in new General Obligation bonds)

I. Department of Economic and Community DevelopmentA. <u>New Haven: Downtown Crossing project (a total of \$21,500,000)</u> - See Item #50.

- B. <u>Milford: Property acquisition (\$4,990,000)</u> The funds will support a grant-in-aid to acquire approximately 2.2 acres of property at 0 and 44-64 River Street, 0 Railroad Avenue and 145 High Street. The land will be used to develop parking that will be financed with local and private funds. The additional parking will alleviate parking shortages for the rail station, courthouse and local businesses.
- C. <u>Grant-in-aid to City of New Britain for Road Improvements (\$850,000)</u> These funds will provide a grant-in-aid to finance road improvements along Route 71 (Hartford Road) and at the Route 9 north-bound off ramp to Route 71. The improvements are needed to accommodate development of a Costco store adjacent on the Target store. Contractors are currently starting the first phase of building a roughly 150,000-square-foot warehouse for the business, which is slated to open next fall.

II. Department of Education

A. <u>New Haven: Common Ground Charter School (\$750,000)</u> – The funds will be used for renovations and additions to the school's current facility.

Background: Common Ground Charter School is located in New Haven and is projected to have approximately 195 students in FY 16.

Item #55 Department of Administrative Services: School construction grants-in-aid for progress payments (\$50,000,000 in new General Obligation bonds)

These funds will be used to finance FY 15 grants-in-aid for the state's share of the cost of progress payments (Item #55) and interest payments (Item #56) for the construction of local school building projects. The school construction grant program has in excess of 600 school construction projects in various stages of completion. These projects include expansion, renovations and improvements, safety and health related projects, vocational agricultural centers and cooperative regional special educational facilities.

School districts may submit requests for school construction grant payments for any one or all of those projects. The dollar amount of the bond commission request is based upon the aggregate of all open school construction projects, specific cash flows from some projects, and historical experience with the ebb and flow of grant payment requests.

Item #56 Department of Administrative Services: School construction grants-in-aid for interest subsidy (\$4,300,000 in new General Obligation bonds)

See Item #55.

Item #57 Carry forward of unused 2014 Private Activity Bond Allocation

The state received a Private Activity Bond allocation of \$359.6 million for the 2014 calendar year. Of this total, \$101.3 million was issued in 2014, which leaves \$258.3 million available for the following carry forward: (1) \$223.3 million that will be issued as single or multifamily housing revenue bonds by the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority (CHFA), and (2) \$35.0 million that will be issued as student loan revenue bonds by CHESLA.

Background: Private Activity Bonds are revenue bonds issued by quasi-public authorities or municipalities on the credit of a private borrower or a pool of borrowers. The bonds are <u>not</u> a state obligation because the private borrowers pay the debt service. The statutes refer to private activity bonds as "industrial development bonds" (CGS Secs. 32-140 to 32-142).

The federal government imposes an annual cap (see Unified Volume Cap, below) on the value of tax-exempt private activity bonds that may be issued in each state and limits the list of qualified private activities for which bonds could be issued to:

- Sewage Disposal (Exempt Facility)
- Water Facilities (Exempt Facility)
- Solid Waste Disposal (Exempt Facility)
- Local District Heating and Cooling (Exempt Facility)
- Qualified Redevelopment Bonds (Exempt Facility)
- Qualified 501(c)(3) Corporation
- Manufacturing (maximum of \$10 million annually for this activity)

<u>Unified Volume Cap</u>: Federal tax law limits the volume of tax-exempt state private activity bonds each calendar year. Connecticut's cap has been as follows:

Calendar Year	Per Capita Amount \$	Minimum Amount ⁵ \$	Connecticut's Cap \$
2006	80.0	246.6 million	280.8 million
2007	85.0	256.2 million	297.9 million
2008	85.0	262.1 million	297.7 million
2009	90.0	273.3 million	315.1 million
2010	90.0	273.8 million	316.6 million
2011	95.0	277.3 million	339.5 million
2012	95.0	284.6 million	340.2 million
2013	95.0	291.9 million	341.1 million
2014	95.0	296.8 million	359.6 million
Source: Federal Fun	ds Information for States	•	

Private Activity Bond Unified Volume Cap

⁵ The small state minimum cap

<u>Private Activity Bond Authorization and Allocation</u>: The process through which private activity bonds are authorized and allocated is different than the process followed for General Obligation (GO) bonds or Special Tax Obligation (STO) bonds. PA 01-7 (June Special Session) amended CGS Sec. 32-141 to provide the following statutory allocation formula:

Agency	Statutory Allocation
Connecticut Housing Finance Authority	60.0%
Connecticut Development Authority	12.5%
Municipalities, CT Higher Educational Supplemental Loan	<u>27.5%</u>
Authority, Clean Energy Finance and Investment Authority	
& contingencies	
TOTAL	100%

Prior to the passage of PA 01-7 (June Special Session), private activity bonds were overseen by the State Private Activity Bond Commission (PABC.) The public act eliminated PABC and transferred its authority over these bonds to the State Bond Commission (SBC.) This means that when the General Assembly is not in session, the SBC is able to reallocate bonding authority for that year if it determines doing so is in the state's best interests.

Item #58 Authorization for the Office of the State Treasurer to issue up to \$400,000,000 in nontaxable General Obligation (GO) bonds

The Office of the State Treasurer requires approval from the State Bond Commission to issue bonds.

Item #59 Authorization for the Office of the State Treasurer to issue: (a) up to \$250,000,000 in nontaxable Clean Water Fund revenue bonds and (b) up to \$100,000,000 in Clean Water Fund refunding bonds.

The Office of the State Treasurer requires approval from the State Bond Commission to issue bonds.

Item #60 Approval of State Bond Commission meeting dates for 2015

Item #61 Approval of the State Treasurer's Certificate of State Indebtedness

This resolution satisfies statutory requirements for approval of documents related to State Bond Commission meetings.

Appendix A

Town	July \$	January \$
Andover	95,237	95,237
Ansonia	160,178	160,178
Ashford	145,251	145,251
Avon	155,559	155,559
Barkhamsted	98,303	98,303
Beacon Falls	93,548	93,548
Berlin	164,103	164,103
Bethany	105,763	105,763
Bethel	157,313	157,313
Bethlehem	107,330	107,330
Bloomfield	168,487	168,487
Bolton	100,359	100,359
Bozrah	90,984	90,984
Branford	199,934	199,934
Bridgeport	685,121	685,121
Bridgewater	89,509	89,509
Bristol	333,100	333,100
Brookfield	150,828	150,828
Brooklyn	120,970	120,970
Burlington	129,340	129,340
Canaan	84,656	84,656
Canterbury	112,902	112,902
Canton	130,591	130,591
Chaplin	95,439	95,439
Cheshire	202,304	202,304
Chester	93,109	93,109
Clinton	135,014	135,014
Colchester	173,921	173,921
Colebrook	100,380	100,380
Columbia	102,996	102,996
Cornwall	111,509	111,509
Coventry	146,784	146,784
Cromwell	138,364	138,364

Item #3: FY 15 Town Aid Road Grants-in-aid

Town	July \$	January \$
Danbury	421,666	421,666
Darien	166,331	166,331
Deep River	99,502	99,502
Derby	133,474	133,474
Durham	111,632	111,632
Eastford	87,571	87,571
East Granby	100,919	100,919
East Haddam	166,902	166,902
East Hampton	161,599	161,599
East Hartford	294,545	294,545
East Haven	202,210	202,210
East Lyme	160,693	160,693
Easton	113,478	113,478
East Windsor	133,006	133,006
Ellington	169,492	169,492
Enfield	270,452	270,452
Essex	107,828	107,828
Fairfield	353,760	353,760
Farmington	186,197	186,197
Franklin	62,108	62,108
Glastonbury	232,019	232,019
Goshen	137,690	137,690
Granby	129,854	129,854
Greenwich	371,815	371,815
Griswold	96,087	96,087
Groton	248,000	248,000
Guilford	180,708	180,708
Haddam	122,242	122,242
Hamden	335,878	335,878
Hampton	93,967	93,967
Hartford	602,524	602,524
Hartland	71,428	71,428
Harwinton	114,006	114,006
Hebron	121,240	121,240
Kent	140,498	140,498
Killingly	181,655	181,655
Killingworth	126,409	126,409

Town	July \$	January \$
Lebanon	158,814	158,814
Ledyard	148,117	148,117
Lisbon	88,229	88,229
Litchfield	190,762	190,762
Lyme	90,145	90,145
Madison	156,997	156,997
Manchester	324,336	324,336
Mansfield	212,152	212,152
Marlborough	106,166	106,166
Meriden	336,747	336,747
Middlebury	111,696	111,696
Middlefield	98,777	98,777
Middletown	300,874	300,874
Milford	292,726	292,726
Monroe	174,649	174,649
Montville	163,621	163,621
Morris	88,657	88,657
Naugatuck	213,015	213,015
New Britain	386,550	386,550
New Canaan	164,756	164,756
New Fairfield	137,757	137,757
New Hartford	135,110	135,110
New Haven	624,343	624,343
Newington	208,138	208,138
New London	195,243	195,243
New Milford	280,158	280,158
Newtown	234,747	234,747
Norfolk	125,228	125,228
North Branford	140,994	140,994
North Canaan	94,463	94,463
North Haven	180,748	180,748
North Stonington	119,935	119,935
Norwalk	438,715	438,715
Norwich	251,564	251,564
Old Lyme	115,071	115,071
Old Saybrook	123,612	123,612
Orange	137,915	137,915

Town	July \$	January \$
Oxford	136,771	136,771
Plainfield	145,930	145,930
Plainville	153,639	153,639
Plymouth	131,933	131,933
Pomfret	121,307	121,307
Portland	120,383	120,383
Preston	99,891	99,891
Prospect	119,283	119,283
Putnam	119,851	119,851
Redding	133,867	133,867
Ridgefield	188,756	188,756
Rocky Hill	170,958	170,958
Roxbury	168,476	168,476
Salem	96,716	96,716
Salisbury	145,685	145,685
Scotland	77,071	77,071
Seymour	148,740	148,740
Sharon	176,843	176,843
Shelton	245,528	245,528
Sherman	102,101	102,101
Simsbury	180,468	180,468
Somers	135,184	135,184
Southbury	189,919	189,919
Southington	260,946	260,946
South Windsor	190,345	190,345
Sprague	75,685	75,685
Stafford	197,500	197,500
Stamford	594,651	594,651
Sterling	98,165	98,165
Stonington	149,557	149,557
Stratford	296,874	296,874
Suffield	145,553	145,553
Thomaston	112,399	112,399
Thompson	126,763	126,763
Tolland	169,857	169,857
Torrington	236,876	236,876
Trumbull	230,711	230,711

Town	July \$	January \$
Union	62,371	62,371
Vernon	201,950	201,950
Voluntown	86,457	86,457
Wallingford	271,785	271,785
Warren	90,853	90,853
Washington	164,003	164,003
Waterbury	543,163	543,163
Waterford	161,256	161,256
Watertown	177,904	177,904
Westbrook	108,723	108,723
West Hartford	345,063	345,063
West Haven	312,766	312,766
Weston	125,154	125,154
Westport	190,000	190,000
Wethersfield	201,746	201,746
Willington	128,886	128,886
Wilton	155,825	155,825
Winchester	151,334	151,334
Windham	185,534	185,534
Windsor	202,209	202,209
Windsor Locks	131,735	131,735
Wolcott	151,201	151,201
Woodbridge	120,690	120,690
Woodbury	148,379	148,379
Woodstock	189,579	189,579
Fenwick (Bor.)	522	522
Jewett City (Bor.)	39,337	39,337
Stonington (Bor.)	7,863	7,863
Woodmont (Bor.)	8,484	8,484
TOTAL	30,000,000	30,000,000

Appendix B Item #8: State-owned dams that require inspection

Western District Dams for Inspection - 35 sites

Fairfield and New Haven County

Butterworth Lake Dam* Bunnells Pond Dam* Farm Brook Pond Site 1 Dam* Farm Brook Pond Site 2A Dam* Great Swamp Flood Control Dam Lake Wintergreen Dam* Paper Millpond Dam Quillinan Reservoir Dam* Seymour Reservoir 1 Dam* Seymour Reservoir 2 Dam Seymour Reservoir 3 Dam Seymour Reservoir 4 Dam Spectacle Swamp Flood Control Dam* Wilmot Brook Dam

Litchfield County

Wood Creek Pond Dam* Lost Pond Dam Winchester Lake Dam* Park Pond Dam* Burr Pond Dam* Roraback Pond Dam* Black Rock Pond Dam*

Hartford County

Collins Company Lower Dam Collins Company Upper Dam Bloomfield Flood Control Site 3 Dam* Blue Hills Flood Control Site 2 Dam Blue Hills Flood Control Site 3A Dam Talcott Flood Control Dam 1 Talcott Flood Control Dam 2* Burnt Hill Flood Control Dam* South Flood Control Dam* South Flood Control Dike Silver Lake Dam* Bugbee Flood Control Dam* Wintonbury Flood Control Site 1 Dam* Cold Spring Flood Control Site 9 Dam* Dobsonville Pond Avery Flood Control Site 1 Dam Avery Flood Control Site 2 Dam

Eastern District Dams for Inspection - 31 sites

Middlesex and New London County

Ashland Pond Dam* Pachaug Pond Dam* Beachdale Pond Dam Brewster Pond Dam Red Cedar Lake Dam* Gardner Lake Dam Pickerel Lake Dam Leesville Dam Great Hill Pond Dam Miller Pond Dam Pattaconk Reservoir Dam* Messerschmidt Pond Dam*

Tolland and Windham County

Mill Pond Dam Pomeroy Flood Control Site 3* Mashapaug Pond Dam* Ellithorpe Flood Control Site 5 Dam* Shenipsit Flood Control Site 6 Dam Bradway Reservoir Site 4 Dam Upper Bolton Lake Dam Lower Bolton Lake Dam* Mono Pond Dam* Quaddick Reservoir Dam and Dike* Whitney Flood Control Site 1 Ellis Flood Control Site 2 Middle Bolton Lake Aldon Mill Pond Dam Dobsonville Pond Dam*

*In the above list, dams with an asterisk have an existing Emergency Action Plan (EAP) that requires updating. Dams without an asterisk do not have an EAP, and will need one to be developed.

Appendix C

Item #22 Department of Education: School Infrastructure Competitive Grant Program

District	Total	State	Local	Number
	Requested \$	Funded \$	Match \$	of Schools
ANSONIA	15,559	7,780	7,780	1
AVON	11,300	6,918	4,382	1
BERLIN	376,400	155,943	220,457	4
BETHANY	180,000	66,852	113,148	1
BETHEL	55,150	26,918	28,232	3
BLOOMFIELD	48,116	29,457	18,659	3
BOZRAH	42,850	21,729	21,121	1
BRANFORD	23,975	11,987	11,987	1
BRIDGEPORT	1,052,474	828,812	223,663	15
BRISTOL	250,175	175,047	75,129	14
BROOKFIELD	36,500	18,250	18,250	1
CANAAN	168,000	108,007	59,993	1
CANTERBURY	123,776	82,670	41,106	2
CANTON	241,247	103,398	137,848	3
COLCHESTER	217,172	143,486	73,686	2
COLUMBIA	43,606	29,896	13,710	2
CROMWELL	64,810	30,785	34,025	4
DANBURY	618,984	448,234	170,749	8
DARIEN	452,913	95,429	357,484	7
DERBY	12,963	6,482	6,482	1
DURHAM	176,786	83,337	93,449	4
EAST GRANBY	405,015	176,465	228,550	4
EAST HARTFORD	58,082	35,558	22,524	3
EASTFORD	38,265	21,183	17,081	1
ENFIELD	535,249	361,528	173,721	12
FAIRFIELD	388,660	194,330	194,330	3
GREENWICH	146,848	73,424	73,424	1
GRISWOLD	25,600	18,652	6,948	1
GROTON	293,637	212,795	80,842	3
GUILFORD	2,657,127	835,135	1,821,992	5
HAMDEN	373,670	224,500	149,170	8
HAMPTON	40,000	19,144	20,856	1
HARTFORD	1,207,595	925,543	282,052	25
HARTLAND	18,866	9,973	8,893	1
HEBRON	285,000	177,099	107,901	2
KILLINGLY	352,377	264,283	88,094	5
LITCHFIELD	74,000	37,000	37,000	1
MADISON	578,769	173,631	405,138	7
MANCHESTER	2,035,390	1,327,497	707,892	16
MERIDEN	183,792	112,365	71,427	3
MIDDLEBURY	140,200	50,065	90,135	3
MIDDLEFIELD	151,117	67,997	83,121	3

District	Total Requested \$	State Funded \$	Local Match \$	Number of Schools
MIDDLETOWN	397,091	259,152	137,938	2
MILFORD	180,454	99,627	80,827	3
MONROE	829,905	315,825	514,080	6
NAUGATUCK	1,509,216	1,117,256	391,960	7
NEW CANAAN	598,500	121,855	476,645	5
NEW BRITAIN	385,909	216,232	169,677	4
NEW HAVEN	2,621,206	2,044,953	576,253	20
NEW LONDON	350,895	205,886	145,009	2
NEWINGTON	8,000	4,000	4,000	1
NEWTOWN	1,221,415	480,707	740,708	10
NORTH BRANFORD	169,385	90,739	78,645	5
NORTH HAVEN	129,151	83,109	46,042	2
NORTH STONINGTON	86,335	36,079	50,256	2
NORWALK	980,363	305,962	674,401	9
NORWICH	3,856,584	2,890,258	966,327	16
PLAINFIELD	241,629	182,937	58,692	6
PLYMOUTH	127,120	90,344	36,776	1
POMFRET	150,000	75,000	75,000	1
ROCKY HILL	218,350	100,823	117,527	4
SALEM	325,931	159,478	166,453	1
SALISBURY	86,000	43,000	43,000	1
SEYMOUR	172,000	107,500	64,500	1
SHELTON	308,645	111,328	197,317	6
SIMSBURY	34,963	17,962	17,001	2
SOMERS	298,636	178,107	120,529	3
SOUTH WINDSOR	57,848	28,513	29,335	1
SOUTHBURY	271,000	106,476	164,524	4
SOUTHINGTON	23,672	11,836	11,836	2
STAFFORD	466,470	338,191	128,279	5
STAMFORD	86,205	43,103	43,103	2
STONINGTON	70,893	35,447	35,447	1
STRATFORD	274,630	154,604	120,027	3
THOMASTON	127,879	89,055	38,824	1
TOLLAND	414,863	240,040	174,823	4
TORRINGTON	159,495	114,604	44,891	7
TRUMBULL	192,317	95,267	97,050	2
VERNON	113,472	81,462	32,011	2
WALLINGFORD	1,128	580	548	1
WATERBURY	1,259,853	981,231	278,623	28
WATERFORD	410,969	203,388	207,580	2
WATERTOWN	366,803	209,591	157,212	5
WEST HARTFORD	957,847	528,926	428,921	23
WEST HAVEN	310,045	212,187	97,859	2
WESTON	520,116	120,719	399,397	4
WESTPORT	725,000	150,148	574,853	8
WETHERSFIELD	31,307	18,484	12,823	3

District	Total	State	Local	Number
	Requested \$	Funded \$	Match \$	of Schools
WILLIMANTIC	56,500	38,736	17,764	1
WINCHESTER	364,070	209,214	154,856	2
WINDHAM	31,914	31,914	-	1
WINDSOR	266,396	130,364	136,032	9
WOODSTOCK	399,162	220,658	178,504	2
CHESHIRE	159,550	70,269	89,281	9
PUTNAM	215,900	107,950	107,950	1
WEST HAVEN	79,131	39,566	39,566	1
WILTON	66,135	33,068	33,068	1
NEW BRITAIN	96,797	48,399	48,399	1
TOTAL	38,067,067	21,831,688	16,235,379	445