

# **2016 BILL TRACKING REPORT**

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#### SUMMARY

This report lists the bills considered during the General Assembly's 2016 regular session and May special session (MSS) whose provisions were enacted under another bill number.

The provisions of many bills that die in committee or on the calendar become law after the (1) original committee incorporates them in another bill that receives a favorable report or (2) concept is adopted as an amendment and incorporated in another bill. This report includes bills whose language may have changed in the final enactment from that of the original committee bill or file but represent the legislature's final action on the matter taken during the session.

During the session, the content or concept of approximately 135 bills that started as separate legislation was later incorporated in other legislation that passed and became law. Table 1 lists the original bills in numeric order and shows the public or special act that included their provisions. Table 2 lists the bills by the committee of origin.

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<u>1 §§ 1-4</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 1-4</u>	Creates an entity within Connecticut Innovations (CI) to support the entrepreneurship community and new business development in Connecticut
<u>1 §§ 5-9</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 5-9</u>	Creates a program to designate and develop, through a competitive process, geographic areas with entrepreneurial and innovation potential ("Innovation Places")
<u>1 §§ 10 &amp;</u> <u>16</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 10 &amp; 16</u>	Earmarks previously authorized Manufacturing Assistance Act and CI funds for various entrepreneurship- and innovation-related programs
<u>1 §§ 11 &amp;</u> <u>12</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 11&amp;12</u>	Moves the operation of, and funding for, the Small Businesses Innovation Research Office from CI to a new entity within CI
<u>1 § 13</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 13</u>	Requires CI, in most instances, to invest with at least one private partner
<u>1 § 14</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 14</u>	Requires CI to hire an independent consulting firm to conduct a performance audit
<u>1 § 15</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 15</u>	Allows the Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD) commissioner to forgive a portion of state assistance certain businesses received if the business participates in the state's mentorship network
<u>1 § 17</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 17</u>	Allows the DECD commissioner to give priority for Small Business Express Assistance to businesses located in a designated Innovation Place
<u>1 §§ 22 &amp;</u> <u>307</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 24</u>	Allows the DECD commissioner to establish knowledge center enterprise zones around colleges and universities
<u>13</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 195 &amp; 196</u>	Caps probate estate settlement fees
<u>16 § 2</u>	<u>16-58 § 1</u>	Expands the reasons for which agencies may propose amendments to regulations without prior notice or public comment
<u>171 § 2;</u> <u>173 §§ 44-</u> <u>48</u>	<u>16-65 §§ 38-42</u>	Specifies how the deposit index should be (1) determined and applied by holders of certain deposits, such as a tenant's security deposit, and (2) published and disseminated by the banking commissioner
<u>17 §§ 3-16</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 47-59</u>	Makes the Department of Social Services (DSS), instead of the Department of Developmental Services (DDS), the lead agency for the provision of autism spectrum disorder services in the state
<u>17 § 17</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 63</u>	Defines autism spectrum disorder as it is defined in the American Psychiatric Association's Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders
<u>17 § 18</u>	<u>16-118</u>	Eliminates eligibility for state employee health insurance coverage for blind individuals formerly employed in certain Department of Rehabilitation Services (DORS) workshops
<u>17 § 21</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 46</u>	Freezes, at FY 16 levels for FY 17, the rates the state pays to residential care homes, community living arrangements, and community companion homes that receive the flat rate for residential services
<u>17 § 25</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 209</u>	Eliminates a requirement that the DSS commissioner develop a plan to maximize federal Medicaid reimbursements for Healthy Start in Connecticut and expand services within available state appropriations

## Table 1: Bill Tracking by Bill Number

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<u>17 §§ 19-20</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 44-45</u>	Reduces, from \$1,400 to \$1,200, the maximum amount DSS may pay for funeral and burial expenses for State Administered General Assistance (SAGA), Temporary Financial Assistance (TFA), and State Supplement (SSP) recipients, and certain indigent individuals
<u>17 §§ 22-23</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 87 &amp; 88</u>	Makes numerous changes to the methodology DSS must use to determine payment rates for various services hospitals provide to Medicaid recipients
<u>79</u>	<u>16-89 § 7</u>	Makes a conforming change to PA 14-100 on "running bamboo"
<u>105</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 44 &amp; 45</u>	Adds certain funding sources to the types of funds DSS must deduct from its maximum burial allowance when calculating its payment toward funeral and burial expenses of indigent individuals and those who receive TFA, SSP, and SAGA benefits
<u>106</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 88</u>	(1) Requires Medicaid payments for hospital outpatient and emergency department visits to be based on an unspecified ambulatory payment classification system and (2) allows DSS to establish a supplemental pool to provide payments to offset losses publicly operated acute care and acute care children's hospitals may incur as a result of the new payment system
<u>112</u>	<u>16-131, §§ 4-6</u>	(1) Makes TFA recipients eligible for Care 4 Kids child care subsidies if they enroll in a higher education degree program as part of their required TFA employment activity and (2) requires the Department of Labor (DOL) to approve such course enrollment as part of its Jobs First Employment Services program for TFA recipients
<u>138</u>	<u>16-102 §§ 4-7</u>	Subjects certain licenses and registrations that the Department of Agriculture (DoAg) issues to biennial, rather than annual, renewal and adjusts the associated fee for each to reflect the longer term
<u>149</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 188</u>	Establishes a new local option admissions surcharge
<u>159</u>	<u>16-213 §§ 1-2</u>	Makes changes to the insurance statute on market conduct examinations and explicitly authorizes the insurance commissioner to issue "data calls" to regulated entities
<u>164</u>	<u>16-198</u>	Requires DSS, within available state and federal resources, to provide Medicaid coverage for telehealth services that the commissioner determines are (1) clinically appropriate, (2) cost-effective for the state, and (3) likely to expand access to medically necessary services for certain Medicaid recipients
<u>167</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 176</u>	Requires the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors to study the need for emergency power generators at Connecticut's elderly public housing sites and report to the Aging, Housing, and Public Safety committees by January 1, 2017
<u>169</u>	<u>16-114</u>	Requires DOL to update its apprenticeship website, by March 1, 2017, with certain information, such as a list of occupations in which apprentices are employed and apprenticeship coursework and costs
<u>170 §§ 1-3</u> <u>&amp; 5-6;</u> <u>410;</u> <u>5567</u>	<u>16-65 §§ 73-92 &amp; 94</u>	(1) Creates a new process, judgement of loss mitigation, to be used to modify or satisfy underwater mortgages, (2) makes several changes to certain existing foreclosure programs, and (3) limits how and when a state marshal may carry out a foreclosure related eviction

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<u>171 § 1;</u> <u>173 § 43</u>	<u>16-65 § 37</u>	Imposes certain requirements on landlords pertaining to tenants' security deposits
<u>172;</u> <u>173 §§ 34-</u> <u>38</u>	<u>16-65 §§  9-13</u>	Updates references to federal securities law
<u>173 §§ 1-5</u>	<u>16-65 §§ 1-5</u>	(1) Requires troubled Connecticut credit unions to obtain the banking commissioner's approval of any election, appointment, or employment of the union's senior management; (2) updates certain capital requirements to conform to federal law; (3) makes it easier for the commissioner to have priority in certain collateral; (4) allows certain banks and credit unions outside of New England, New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania to join a group of banks that own Connecticut-chartered bankers' banks; and (5) expands confidentiality provisions to include confidential records obtained from regulatory or law enforcement agencies of other states
<u>173 § 51</u>	<u>16-65 § 45</u>	Allows the banking commissioner to assess money transmitters and student loan servicers to cover department expenses
<u>174</u>	<u>16-9 § 2 (Special Act)</u>	Creates a task force to study teacher professional development and in- service training requirements
<u>175 § 3</u> (JFS)	<u>16-41 § 9</u>	(1) Changes the criteria under which the education commissioner must join interstate agreements for teacher certification reciprocity and (2) requires her to enter into teacher reciprocity recognition agreements when she is unable to enter into an interstate agreement
<u>175 § 3</u> (Raised Bill)	<u>16-3 MSS § 125</u>	Permits minimum budget requirement relief for school districts that score in the top 10% of all districts based on the accountability index rather than an obsolete index
<u>175 § 10</u> (JFS)	<u>16-3 MSS § 86</u>	Extends, for FY 16, the education commissioner's authority to make supplemental magnet school transportation grants to assist <i>Sheff</i> stipulation school integration goals
<u>188</u>	<u>16-117 § 6</u>	Extends, by one hour on Sunday, the hours during which a farm winery may sell, and offer free samples of, wine
<u>194</u>	<u>16-43 § 9</u>	Extends, from 24 hours to the end of the following day, the deadline for controlled substance dispensers to report prescription information to the Department of Consumer Protection (DCP) under the prescription drug monitoring program
<u>198</u>	<u>16-191 § 2</u>	Requires municipalities to waive the interest on delinquent property taxes owed by certain active military members serving out-of-state, rather than only by those serving in Iraq or Afghanistan
<u>214</u>	<u>16-85 § 9</u>	Subjects probate courts to the state's whistleblower law
216	<u>16-3 MSS § 202</u>	Exempts from the sales and use tax sales of feminine hygiene products and disposable and reusable diapers
<u>246</u>	<u>16-67 §§ 6-9</u>	Increases penalties for certain school-related threats and establishes (1) conditions for absolute pardons and (2) an absolute defense to a civil action for those who report certain threats
<u>307</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 24</u>	Authorizes the DECD commissioner to establish up to 10 knowledge center enterprise zones in the state's distressed municipalities based on proposals submitted by higher education institutions

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<u>315</u>	<u>16-188 §1</u>	Requires the State Board of Education to award an exemplary veterans education program distinction to local and regional boards of education that offer programs providing opportunities to learn about veterans' contributions or to collaborate with veterans organizations
<u>316</u>	<u>16-188 §2</u>	Requires boards of education to post the telephone number for the Department of Children and Families (DCF) 24-hour hotline for reporting child abuse or neglect in schools ("Careline") where students can see it
<u>352 §3</u>	<u>16-43 §7</u>	Prohibits, with certain exceptions, a prescribing practitioner authorized to prescribe an opioid drug from issuing a prescription for more than a seven-day supply to (a) an adult for the first time for outpatient use or (b) a minor
<u>353</u>	<u>16-43 §§ 4-6</u>	(1) Requires the Alcohol and Drug Policy Council's statewide plan for substance abuse treatment and prevention to include measurable goals, including reducing the number of opioid-induced deaths; (2) expands the settings in which certified individuals may practice auricular acupuncture to treat alcohol and drug abuse under a physician's supervision; and (3) specifies several steps that alcohol and drug counselors may take when treating clients
<u>354</u>	<u>16-66 §§ 35 &amp; 36</u>	Generally prohibits anyone from representing himself or herself as a music or art therapist unless meeting certain certification and education requirements
<u>355</u>	<u>16-66 § 41</u>	Requires the Department of Public Health (DPH) commissioner to take certain action if he reasonably suspects impropriety on the part of a municipal or district health director or the director's employee related to the performance of their duties
<u>361 § 17</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 122</u>	Extends, from 30 to 45 days after a payment or reimbursement, the deadline by which lobbyists who provide more than \$10 in payments or reimbursements for necessary expenses must report them to the Office of State Ethics
<u>362</u>	<u>16-32 (Vetoed, Veto</u> <u>Overruled)</u>	Expands the requirements of the regulatory flexibility analysis that state agencies must prepare before adopting regulations that directly affect small businesses
<u>375</u>	<u>16-213 §§ 13-19</u>	Allows the Insurance Department to authorize HMOs organized outside the state to do business here and eliminates a requirement that health carriers annually file a utilization review report with the insurance commissioner
<u>377</u>	<u>16-188 §4</u>	Requires public schools to include in their program of studies, instruction in performing self-exams for breast and testicular cancer
<u>381</u>	<u>16-188 §5</u>	Establishes a task force to review, streamline, and align state policies on school climate, bullying, school safety, and social-emotional learning
<u>390</u>	<u>16-79</u>	For the two-generational school readiness and workforce development pilot program: (1) expands the interagency working group that oversees the program and (2) changes the contents of the report the working group must submit and expands the number of legislative committees that receive the report
<u>404 § 1;</u> <u>173 § 8</u>	<u>16-65 § 8</u>	Imposes certain requirements on mortgage servicers holding escrow funds

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<u>406;</u> 173 <u>§ 53</u>	<u>16-65 § 46</u>	Alters when mortgage servicers are prohibited from placing insurance on mortgaged property
<u>411</u>	<u>16-65 § 63</u>	Requires the housing commissioner to create a pilot program for local housing authorities to use rental payments as a means of building tenants' credit
<u>416</u>	<u>16-127 § 30</u>	Allows parties to certain claims against the state to agree to an extension of time for the claims commissioner to dispose of the claim even though it is beyond the timeframe allowed by law for extensions.
<u>432</u>	<u>16-66 §§ 29-31</u>	(1) Exempts marriages at the Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan reservations from certain requirements that generally apply to Connecticut marriages and (2) specifies the validity of these marriages under Connecticut law, including marriages celebrated before the act's passage
<u>440</u>	<u>16-93</u>	Adds several reporting requirements for the UConn Foundation
<u>448 §§ 2 &amp;</u> <u>6</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 199 &amp; 200</u>	Requires companies to use market-based sourcing to determine which service sales are attributable to Connecticut for corporation and personal income tax purposes
<u>448 §§ 6 &amp;</u> <u>7</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 200 &amp; 201</u>	Requires multistate companies to determine the percentage of their gains and losses attributable to Connecticut for personal income tax purposes based on their Connecticut sales, rather than the average of property, payroll, and sales in the state
<u>449</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 31</u>	Eliminates the limit on the number of commercial properties to which municipalities may apply profit-based property tax assessments under a pilot program for such assessments
<u>450</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 32</u>	(1) Gives municipalities more latitude to set the terms and conditions for fixing an assessment on eligible property by eliminating the statutory criteria for doing so and (2) limits their ability to fix the assessment for residential and transient residential property improvements to those with at least four units
<u>451 § 1</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 198</u>	Bars the Department of Revenue Services (DRS) commissioner from issuing or renewing certain licenses or permits for anyone who he determines has failed to file any required tax returns
<u>460</u>	<u>16-127</u>	Makes a number of changes to procedures and allowable awards for wrongful incarceration claims, including expanding the eligibility criteria, prescribing a new method for calculating an award, and requiring the legislature to review any award that exceeds \$20,000 or for which a claimant requests review
<u>470</u>	<u>16-4 MSS §§ 206 &amp; 260</u>	Establishes (1) the Neighborhood Security Fellowship Program, which is a pilot program that identifies and recruits certain at-risk individuals to participate as fellows, and (2) requirements for Neighborhood Security projects, which are certain public construction contracts awarded only to bidders who employ such fellows
<u>5046 § 1</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 179</u>	Increases, from \$25 to \$200, the fee an employer and its employee must each pay when submitting a grievance or dispute to the State Board of Mediation and Arbitration
<u>5046 §§ 7 &amp;</u> <u>8</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 193 &amp; 194</u>	Caps probate estate settlement fees
<u>5046 §10</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 186</u>	Establishes a new local option admissions surcharge

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<u>5046 § 13</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 202</u>	Exempts from the sales and use tax sales of feminine hygiene products and disposable and reusable diapers
<u>5046 § 17</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 181</u>	Diverts a portion of regional greenhouse gas initiative auction proceeds to the General Fund
<u>5046 §§ 18</u> <u>&amp; 19</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 189-191</u>	Makes various changes to grant programs funded through the Municipal Revenue Sharing Account
<u>5046 § 20</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 182</u>	Requires the DRS commissioner to make reasonable efforts to facilitate the issuance of tax warrants on "payment settlement entities" (i.e., banks or third-party settlement organizations, such as MasterCard, Paypal, and Visa) for payments they made to Connecticut retailers
<u>5046 § 29</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 184</u>	Delays the start of required payments to pay off the state's amortized unreserved negative assigned balance for FY 14
<u>5049 § 7</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 42</u>	Requires municipalities that received certain payment in lieu of taxes grants in FY 15 to waive, through June 30, 2018, payments owed to them by housing authorities with moderate rental housing projects
<u>5049 § 8</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 41</u>	Increases, from \$225 to \$325, the amount of money a panel member on the Department of Labor's (DOL) Board of Mediation and Arbitration receives after concluding a proceeding over which the panel presided
<u>5049 § 19</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 81</u>	Requires that state payments under the elderly tax freeze program be reduced proportionately in the event that the total amount payable to all municipalities exceeds the appropriated amount
<u>5049 § 20</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 82</u>	Requires the Office of Policy and Management (OPM) secretary to determine whether to apply a percentage reduction to all claims under the rental rebate program for the elderly and people with total and permanent disabilities to stay within available appropriations
<u>5049 § 21</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 83</u>	Conforms law to current practice by allowing municipalities with airports owned by the Connecticut Airport Authority (other than Bradley) to receive payment in lieu of taxes for such property
<u>5049 §§ 25-</u> <u>26</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 76-77</u>	Transfers the State Board of Accountancy from the Secretary of the State's Office to the Department of Consumer Protection (DCP)
<u>5052 § 2;</u> 5623 § 29	<u>16-71 § 12</u>	Expands the crime of trafficking in persons
<u>5052 § 5;</u> <u>5623 § 3</u>	<u>16-71 § 3</u>	Requires lodging operators to keep guest records for at least six months
<u>5055</u>	<u>16- 55 § 24</u>	(1) Allows the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to contract with other entities to conduct certain license and registration transactions; (2) increases, from \$3 to \$5, the maximum amount contractors may charge per transaction; and (3) allows municipal departments and offices to conduct these transactions
<u>5071</u>	<u>16-120</u>	Requires the Office of Higher Education, by January 1, 2017, to enter into a multistate or regional reciprocity agreement that allows Connecticut and its higher education institutions to participate in distance learning programs across the country
<u>5075</u>	<u>16-10</u>	Establishes a program to provide wage replacement benefits to firefighters with cancer

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<u>5129</u>	<u>16-66 § 43</u>	Requires the DPH commissioner to annually obtain, and make publicly available, a list of state residents on the National Healthcareer Association's registry of certified medical assistants
<u>5131</u>	<u>16-66 § 44</u>	Establishes a working group to study nail salons and the provision of services by nail technicians
<u>5133</u>	<u>16-66 § 38</u>	Establishes a two-tiered system of dental assistants and makes changes to the list of procedures that dental assistants may perform
<u>5229</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 122</u>	Extends, from 30 days to 45 days after a payment or reimbursement, the deadline by which lobbyists who provide more than \$10 in payments or reimbursements for necessary expenses must report them to the Office of State Ethics
<u>5268</u>	<u>16-66 § 37</u>	Require all hospice facilities that serve up to six people and meet certain other requirements, not just inpatient facilities, to be treated as single family residences for zoning purposes
<u>5270</u>	<u>16-214</u>	Allows certain terminally ill patients, under specified conditions, to access investigational drugs
<u>5283</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 43</u>	Requires DSS to pay Medicare Part D prescription drug co-payments that exceed \$17 per month for individuals who are eligible for full Medicaid benefits and have Part D coverage
<u>5292;</u> <u>173 §§ 49 &amp;</u> <u>50</u>	<u>16-65 §§ 43 &amp; 44</u>	Makes permanent prior law's protections available to certain tenants of foreclosed properties by eliminating the December 31, 2017 sunset date
<u>5293;</u> <u>173 §§ 39-</u> <u>42</u>	<u>16-65 §§ 14-18</u>	Specifies how retail installment contract holders must (1) apply unearned insurance premiums related to repossessed goods and (2) calculate fair market value of repossessed cars and boats
<u>5294;</u> <u>5560 § 6</u>	<u>16-65 § 58</u>	Requires contract holders to notify customers of their responsibilities regarding personal possessions inside repossessed cars and allows the holders to charge a reasonable storage fee
<u>5304</u>	<u>16-4 MSS</u>	Authorizes numerous school construction projects for state reimbursement and modifications of existing projects
<u>5325</u>	<u>16-103 § 1</u>	Increases, from four to 16, the number of times that DCP can waive the requirements that restaurant permittees for a catering establishment must only (1) serve alcohol to guests invited to and attending a function at the catering establishment and (2) sell alcohol during the specific hours the function is scheduled
<u>5329</u>	<u>16-103 § 2</u>	Generally allows permittees that sell or dispense alcohol for on-premises consumption (e.g., restaurants) to sell and dispense alcohol an hour earlier on Sundays, starting at 10:00 a.m. instead of 11:00 a.m.
<u>5343</u>	<u>16-119</u>	Adopts the National Association of Insurance Commissioners' Interstate Insurance Product Regulation Compact for life insurance and annuity products
<u>5345</u>	<u>16-65 § 64</u>	Specifies when liens for unpaid estate settlement probate fees are unenforceable against third parties

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<u>5347</u>	<u>16-68 §§ 2 &amp; 3</u>	Requires the (1) veterans' affairs commissioner to require the administrators of each nursing home and assisted living facility in the state to notify the department's veterans' advocacy and assistance unit every six months of new residents who are veterans or their family members and (2) unit to use this information to develop an annual schedule for veteran service officers to visit these facilities, among other things
<u>5372</u>	<u>16-10</u>	Establishes a program to provide wage replacement benefits to firefighters with cancer
<u>5399</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 42</u>	Extends by two years the requirement that municipalities waive certain payments due from certain state-financed housing authorities
<u>5401</u>	<u>16-67 § 10</u>	Requires the court to remove a minor's name from certain eviction-related records
<u>5422</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 33 &amp; 34</u>	Changes criterion for determining the amount of funds annually available in the Connecticut Arts Endowment Fund for making grants to arts organizations
<u>5432</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 205</u>	Excludes employees of a business registered to sell e-cigarettes or other vapor products from also having to register
<u>5434</u>	<u>16-43, § 9</u>	Decreases prescriber reviews for prolonged treatment of Schedule V nonnarcotic drugs
5455	16-66 § 46	Establishes a medical records task force
<u>5457</u>	<u>16-66 §§ 39 &amp; 40</u>	(1) Requires district health directors to serve in a full-time capacity, instead of devoting their "entire time" to performing the duties of the position, as was required under prior law and (2) prohibits district health directors and certain municipal health directors from having a financial interest or engaging in a job, transaction, or professional activity that substantially conflicts with their duties
<u>5461</u>	<u>16-55 § 15</u>	Requires DMV to issue a certificate of title for vehicles 20 model years old or older upon the owner's request
<u>5463</u>	<u>16-55 §§ 16-22</u>	Makes technical changes to the motor vehicle statutes
<u>5536</u>	<u>16-66 § 51</u>	Allows a new diabetes advisory council to study the effectiveness of existing state diabetes programs and related issues and develop an action plan to reduce the disease's impact on the state
<u>5550 § 14</u>	<u>16-4 MSS § 310</u>	Delays, by one year, the implementation of new high school graduation requirements for all school districts
<u>5559;</u> 5560 § 4	<u>16-65 § 57</u>	Allows a bank and its customers to agree to a shorter time period for reporting fraud
5560 <u>§§ 2 &amp;</u> <u>3:</u> 5565	<u>16-65 §§ 55 &amp; 56</u>	Limits a parent's or guardian's authority to freeze his or her child's credit report to children under the age of 16, instead of 17, and makes several changes to security freeze procedures
<u>5568;</u> <u>173 § 6</u>	<u>16-65 § 6</u>	Requires the banking commissioner to designate three Martin Luther King, Jr. corridors to promote secured and unsecured lending
<u>5569</u>	<u>16-65 §§ 59-62</u>	Requires the banking commissioner to set service standards for student loan servicers, exempts certain entities from student loan servicer licensure, and allows the student loan ombudsman to evaluate moving toward debt-free education in Connecticut

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<u>5572</u>	<u>16-65 §§ 19-36</u>	Revises the small loan statutes and in doing so (1) expands the scope of activities subject to licensure, (2) requires all licensing activities be done through the Nationwide Mortgage Licensing System Registry, (3) establishes a comprehensive list of permitted and prohibited practices, and (4) converts the interest rate structure to an annual percentage rate capped at 36%
<u>5573</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §18</u>	Extends the First Five Plus program's sunset date by three years, from June 30, 2016 to June 30, 2019, and increases, from 15 to 20, the maximum number of business development projects the program can fund
<u>5598</u>	<u>16-127 § 31</u>	Deems certain claims against the state disposed of by the claims commissioner to have been disposed of during the required timeframe and deems certain claims to be properly within the courts' jurisdiction
<u>5602</u>	<u>16-144</u>	Makes changes related to (1) contracts for municipal goods and services, (2) sharing law enforcement personnel, (3) funding for audits of private special education service providers, and (4) regional performance incentive program (RPIP) grant eligibility
<u>5603</u>	<u>16-144</u>	Makes changes related to (1) municipal, regional, and state plans of conservation and development and (2) sunsetting RPIP grants for costs associated with connecting to the Nutmeg Network
<u>5616 § 3</u>	<u>16-84</u>	Gives the secretary of the state the option of notifying legislators of special and reconvened sessions through email
<u>5619</u>	<u>16-1 MSS</u>	Conveys various parcels of state property
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<u>5624</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 205 &amp; 206</u>	Makes various changes to the laws requiring electronic nicotine delivery system or vapor product dealers and manufacturers to register with DCP and annually renew their registrations in order to sell or manufacture these products
<u>5627</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 180</u>	Exempts parking fees at certain state and municipal lots from sales and use tax (these provisions also passed in the underlying bill)
<u>5635</u>	<u>16-148 §§ 2-7</u>	Creates a specific crime of telephone fraud and classifies this crime into six degrees, which are generally based on the amount of money or value of the property the violator obtained illegally
<u>5639</u>	<u>16-197</u>	Makes numerous changes to the laws governing limited liability companies

### Table 2: Bill Tracking by Committee

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	AGING		
<u>164</u>	<u>16-198</u>	Requires DSS, within available state and federal resources, to provide Medicaid coverage for telehealth services that the commissioner determines are (1) clinically appropriate, (2) cost-effective for the state, and (3) likely to expand access to medically necessary services for certain Medicaid recipients	
<u>167</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 176</u>	Requires the Commission on Women, Children and Seniors to study the need for emergency power generators at Connecticut's elderly public housing sites and report to the Aging, Housing, and Public Safety committees by January 1, 2017	
<u>5283</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 43</u>	Requires DSS to pay Medicare Part D prescription drug co-payments that exceed \$17 per month for individuals who are eligible for full Medicaid benefits and have Part D coverage	
		BANKING	
<u>411</u>	<u>16-65 § 63</u>	Requires the housing commissioner to create a pilot program for local housing authorities to use rental payments as a means of building tenants' credit	
<u>5569</u>	<u>16-65 §§ 59-62</u>	Requires the banking commissioner to set service standards for student loan servicers, exempts certain entities from student loan servicer licensure, and allows the student loan ombudsman to evaluate moving toward debt-free education in Connecticut	
<u>5572</u>	<u>16-65 §§ 19-36</u>	Revises the small loan statutes and in doing so (1) expands the scope of activities subject to licensure, (2) requires all licensing activities be done through the Nationwide Mortgage Licensing System Registry, (3) establishes a comprehensive list of permitted and prohibited practices, and (4) converts the interest rate structure to an annual percentage rate capped at 36%	
<u>170 §§ 1-3</u> <u>&amp; 5-6;</u> <u>410;</u> <u>5567</u>	<u>16-65 §§ 73-92 &amp; 94</u>	(1) Creates a new process, judgement of loss mitigation, to be used to modify or satisfy underwater mortgages, (2) makes several changes to certain existing foreclosure programs, and (3) limits how and when a state marshal may carry out a foreclosure related eviction	
<u>171 § 1;</u> <u>173 § 43</u>	<u>16-65 § 37</u>	Imposes certain requirements on landlords pertaining to tenants' security deposits	
<u>171, § 2;</u> <u>173 §§ 44-</u> <u>48</u>	<u>16-65 §§ 38-42</u>	Specifies how the deposit index should be (1) determined and applied by holders of certain deposits, such as a tenant's security deposit, and (2) published and disseminated by the banking commissioner	
<u>172;</u> <u>173 §§ 34-</u> <u>38</u>	<u>16-65 §§  9-13</u>	Updates references to federal securities law	
<u>173 § 51</u>	<u>16-65 § 45</u>	Allows the banking commissioner to assess money transmitters and student loan servicers to cover department expenses	

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<u>173 §§ 1-5</u>	<u>16-65 §§ 1-5</u>	(1) Requires troubled Connecticut credit unions to obtain the banking commissioner's approval of any election, appointment, or employment of the union's senior management; (2) updates certain capital requirements to conform to federal law; (3) makes it easier for the commissioner to have priority in certain collateral; (4) allows certain banks and credit unions outside of New England, New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania to join a group of banks that own Connecticut-chartered bankers' banks; and (5) expands confidentiality provisions to include confidential records obtained from regulatory or law enforcement agencies of other states.
<u>404 § 1;</u> <u>173 § 8</u>	<u>16-65 § 8</u>	Imposes certain requirements on mortgage servicers holding escrow funds
<u>406;</u> <u>173 § 53</u>	<u>16-65 § 46</u>	Alters when mortgage servicers are prohibited from placing insurance on mortgaged property
<u>5292;</u> <u>173 §§ 49 &amp;</u> 50	<u>16-65 §§ 43 &amp; 44</u>	Makes permanent prior law's protections available to certain tenants of foreclosed properties by eliminating the December 31, 2017 sunset date
<u>5293;</u> <u>173 §§ 39-</u> <u>42</u>	<u>16-65 §§ 14-18</u>	Specifies how retail installment contract holders must (1) apply unearned insurance premiums related to repossessed goods and (2) calculate fair market value of repossessed cars and boats
<u>5294;</u> <u>5560 § 6</u>	<u>16-65 § 58</u>	Requires contract holders to notify customers of their responsibilities regarding personal possessions inside repossessed cars and allows the holders to charge a reasonable storage fee
<u>5559;</u> 5560 § 4	<u>16-65 § 57</u>	Allows a bank and its customer to agree to a shorter time period for reporting fraud
<u>5560 §§ 2 &amp;</u> <u>3;</u> <u>5565</u>	<u>16-65 §§ 55 &amp; 56</u>	Limits a parent's or guardian's authority to freeze his or her child's credit report to children under the age of 16, instead of 17, and makes several changes to security freeze procedures
<u>5568;</u> <u>173 § 6</u>	<u>16-65 § 6</u>	Requires the banking commissioner to designate three Martin Luther King, Jr. corridors to promote secured and unsecured lending
		COMMERCE
<u>307</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 24</u>	Authorizes the Department of Economic and Community Development commissioner to establish up to 10 knowledge center enterprise zones in the state's distressed municipalities based on proposals submitted by higher education institutions
<u>5422</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 33 &amp; 34</u>	Changes criterion for determining the amount of funds annually available in the Connecticut Arts Endowment Fund for making grants to arts organizations
<u>5573</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §18</u>	Extends the First Five Plus Program's sunset date by three years, from June 30, 2016 to June 30, 2019, and increases, from 15 to 20, the maximum number of business development projects the program can fund

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<u>112</u>	<u>16-131, §§ 4-6</u>	(1) Makes TFA recipients eligible for Care 4 Kids child care subsidies if they enroll in a higher education degree program as part of their required TFA employment activity and (2) requires the Department of Labor (DOL) to approve such course enrollment as part of its Jobs First Employment Services program for TFA recipients
<u>174</u>	<u>16-9 § 2 (Special Act)</u>	Creates a task force to study teacher professional development and in- service training requirements
<u>175 § 10</u> (JFS)	<u>16-3 MSS § 86</u>	Extends, for FY 16, the education commissioner's authority to make supplemental magnet school transportation grants to assist Sheff stipulation school integration goals
<u>175 § 3</u> (JFS)	<u>16-41 § 9</u>	(1) Changes the criteria under which the education commissioner must join interstate agreements for teacher certification reciprocity and (2) requires her to enter into teacher reciprocity recognition agreements when she is unable to enter into an interstate agreement
<u>175 § 3</u> (Raised Bill)	<u>16-3 MSS § 125</u>	Permits minimum budget requirement relief for school districts that score in the top 10% of all districts based on the accountability index rather than an obsolete index
<u>315</u>	<u>16-188 §1</u>	Requires the State Board of Education to award an exemplary veterans education program distinction to local and regional boards of education that offer programs providing opportunities to learn about veterans' contributions or to collaborate with veterans organizations
<u>316</u>	<u>16-188 §2</u>	Requires boards of education to post the telephone number for the DCF 24-hour hotline for reporting child abuse or neglect in schools ("Careline") where students can see it
<u>377</u>	<u>16-188 §4</u>	Requires public schools to include in their program of studies, instruction in performing self-exams for breast and testicular cancer
<u>381</u>	<u>16-188 §5</u>	Establishes a task force to review, streamline, and align state policies on school climate, bullying, school safety, and social-emotional learning
<u>5304</u>	<u>16-4 MSS</u>	Authorizes numerous school construction projects for state reimbursement and modifications of existing projects
<u>5550 § 14</u>	<u>16-4 MSS § 310</u>	Delays, by one year, the implementation of new high school graduation requirements for all school districts
		ENVIRONMENT
<u>79</u>	<u>16-89 § 7</u>	Makes a conforming change to PA 14-100 on "running bamboo"
<u>138</u>	<u>16-102 §§ 4-7</u>	Subjects certain licenses and registrations that the Department of Agriculture issues to biennial, rather than annual, renewal and adjusts the associated fee for each to reflect the longer term
<u>SJ 5</u>	<u>SJ 36</u>	Proposes a constitutional amendment to protect the state's natural resources and sets out a specific process to follow for the transfer of state land held for conservation purposes
	FINA	NCE, REVENUE, AND BONDING
<u>13</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 195 &amp; 196</u>	Caps probate estate settlement fees
<u>149</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 188</u>	Establishes a new local option admissions surcharge
<u>449</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 31</u>	Eliminates the limit on the number of commercial properties to which municipalities may apply profit-based property tax assessments under a pilot program for such assessments

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<u>1 §§ 1-4</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 1-4</u>	Creates an entity within Connecticut Innovations to support the entrepreneurship community and new business development in Connecticut
<u>1 §§ 5-9</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 5-9</u>	Creates a program to designate and develop, through a competitive process, geographic areas with entrepreneurial and innovation potential ("Innovation Places")
<u>1 §§ 10 &amp;</u> <u>16</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 10 &amp; 16</u>	Earmarks previously authorized Manufacturing Assistance Act and Connecticut Innovation bond funds for various entrepreneurship- and innovation-related programs
<u>1 §§ 11 &amp;</u> <u>12</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 11&amp;12</u>	Moves the operation of, and funding for, the Small Businesses Innovation Research Office from Connecticut Innovations to a new entity within Connecticut Innovations
<u>1 § 13</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 13</u>	Requires Connecticut Innovations, in most instances, to invest with at least one private partner
<u>1 § 14</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 14</u>	Requires Connecticut Innovations to hire an independent consulting firm to conduct a performance audit
<u>1 § 15</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 15</u>	Allows the Department of Economic and Community Development commissioner to forgive a portion of state assistance certain businesses received if the business participates in the state's mentorship network
<u>1 § 17</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 17</u>	Allows the Department of Economic and Community Development commissioner to give priority for Small Business Express Assistance to businesses located in a designated Innovation Place
<u>1 §§ 22 &amp;</u> <u>307</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 24</u>	Allows the Department of Economic and Community Development commissioner to establish knowledge center enterprise zones around colleges and universities
<u>448 §§ 2 &amp;</u> <u>6</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 199 &amp; 200</u>	Requires companies to use market-based sourcing to determine which service sales are attributable to Connecticut for corporation and personal income tax purposes
<u>448 §§ 6 &amp;</u> <u>7</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 200 &amp; 201</u>	Requires multistate companies to determine the percentage of their gains and losses attributable to Connecticut for personal income tax purposes based on their Connecticut sales, rather than the average of property, payroll, and sales in the state
<u>450</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 32</u>	(1) Gives municipalities more latitude to set the terms and conditions for fixing an assessment on eligible property by eliminating the statutory criteria for doing so and (2) limits their ability to fix the assessment for residential and transient residential property improvements to those with at least four units
<u>451 § 1</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 198</u>	Bars the Department of Revenue Services commissioner from issuing or renewing certain licenses or permits for anyone who he determines has failed to file any required tax returns
<u>5046 § 1</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 179</u>	Increases, from \$25 to \$200, the fee an employer and its employee must each pay when submitting a grievance or dispute to the State Board of Mediation and Arbitration
<u>5046 §§ 7 &amp;</u> 8	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 193 &amp; 194</u>	Caps probate estate settlement fees
<u>5046 §10</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 186</u>	Establishes a new local option admissions surcharge
<u>5046 § 13</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 202</u>	Exempts from the sales and use tax sales of feminine hygiene products and disposable and reusable diapers

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<u>5046 § 17</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 181</u>	Diverts a portion of regional greenhouse gas initiative auction proceeds to the General Fund
<u>5046 §§ 18</u> <u>&amp; 19</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 189-191</u>	Makes various changes to grant programs funded through the Municipal Revenue Sharing Account
<u>5046 § 20</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 182</u>	Requires the DRS commissioner to make reasonable efforts to facilitate the issuance of tax warrants on "payment settlement entities" (i.e., banks or third-party settlement organizations, such as MasterCard, Paypal, and Visa) for payments they made to Connecticut retailers
<u>5046 § 29</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 184</u>	Delays the start of required payments to pay off the state's amortized unreserved negative assigned balance for FY 14
<u>5624</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 205 &amp; 206</u>	Makes various changes to the laws requiring electronic nicotine delivery system or vapor product dealers and manufacturers to register with DCP and annually renew their registrations in order to sell or manufacture these products
<u>5627</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 180</u>	Exempts parking fees at certain state and municipal lots from sales and use tax (these provisions also passed in the underlying bill)
		GENERAL LAW
<u>188</u>	<u>16-117 § 6</u>	Extends, by one hour on Sunday, the hours during which a farm winery may sell, and offer free samples of, wine
<u>194</u>	<u>16-43 § 9</u>	Extends, from 24 hours to the end of the following day, the deadline for controlled substance dispensers to report prescription information to the Department of Consumer Protection (DCP) under the prescription drug monitoring program
<u>5325</u>	<u>16-103 § 1</u>	Increases, from four to 16, the number of times that DCP can waive the requirements that restaurant permittees for a catering establishment must only (1) serve alcohol to guests invited to and attending a function at the catering establishment and (2) sell alcohol during the specific hours the function is scheduled
<u>5329</u>	<u>16-103 § 2</u>	Generally allows permittees that sell or dispense alcohol for on-premises consumption (e.g., restaurants) to sell and dispense alcohol an hour earlier on Sundays, starting at 10:00 a.m. instead of 11:00 a.m.
<u>5432</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 205</u>	Excludes employees of a business registered to sell e-cigarettes or other vapor products from also having to register
<u>5434</u>	<u>16-43, § 9</u>	Decreases prescriber reviews for prolonged treatment of Schedule V nonnarcotic drugs
	GOVERNMI	ENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS
<u>16 § 2</u>	<u>16-158 § 1</u>	Expands the reasons for which agencies may propose amendments to regulations without prior notice or public comment
<u>361 § 17</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 122</u>	Extends, from 30 to 45 days after a payment or reimbursement, the deadline by which lobbyists who provide more than \$10 in payments or reimbursements for necessary expenses must report them to the Office of State Ethics
<u>362</u>	<u>16-32 (Vetoed, Veto</u> <u>Overruled)</u>	Expands the requirements of the regulatory flexibility analysis that state agencies must prepare before adopting regulations that directly affect small businesses
<u>440</u>	<u>16-93</u>	Adds several reporting requirements for the UConn Foundation

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<u>5049 § 7</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 42</u>	Requires municipalities that received certain payment in lieu of taxes grants in FY 15 to waive, through June 30, 2018, payments owed to them by housing authorities with moderate rental housing projects
<u>5049 § 8</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 41</u>	Increases, from \$225 to \$325, the amount of money a panel member on the Department of Labor's Board of Mediation and Arbitration receives after concluding a proceeding over which the panel presided
<u>5049 § 19</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 81</u>	Requires that state payments under the elderly tax freeze program be reduced proportionately in the event that the total amount payable to all municipalities exceeds the appropriated amount
<u>5049 § 20</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 82</u>	Requires the Office of Policy and Management secretary to determine whether to apply a percentage reduction to all claims under the rental rebate program for the elderly and people with total and permanent disabilities to stay within available appropriations
<u>5049 § 21</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 83</u>	Conforms law to current practice by allowing municipalities with airports owned by the Connecticut Airport Authority (other than Bradley) to receive payment in lieu of taxes for such property
<u>5049 §§ 25-</u> 26	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 76-77</u>	Transfers the State Board of Accountancy from the Secretary of the State's Office to the Department of Consumer Protection
<u>5229</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 122</u>	Extends, from 30 days to 45 days after a payment or reimbursement, the deadline by which lobbyists who provide more than \$10 in payments or reimbursements for necessary expenses must report them to the Office of State Ethics
<u>5616 § 3</u>	<u>16-84</u>	Gives the secretary of the state the option of notifying legislators of special and reconvened sessions through email
5619	16-1 MSS	Conveys various parcels of state property
	HIGHE	R EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT
<u>5071</u>	<u>16-120</u>	Requires the Office of Higher Education, by January 1, 2017, to enter into a multistate or regional reciprocity agreement that allows Connecticut and its higher education institutions to participate in distance learning programs across the country
		HOUSING
<u>5399</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 42</u>	Extends by two years the requirement that municipalities waive certain payments due from certain state-financed housing authorities
		HUMAN SERVICES
<u>17 §§ 3-16</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 47-59</u>	Makes the Department of Social Services, instead of the Department of Developmental Services, the lead agency for the provision of autism spectrum disorder services in the state
<u>17 § 17</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 63</u>	Defines autism spectrum disorder as it is defined in the American Psychiatric Association's "Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders"
<u>17 § 18</u>	<u>16-118</u>	Eliminates eligibility for state employee health insurance coverage for blind individuals formerly employed in certain Department of Rehabilitation Services workshops
<u>17 § 21</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 46</u>	Freezes, at FY 16 levels for FY 17, the rates the state pays to residential care homes, community living arrangements, and community companion homes that receive the flat rate for residential services

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<u>17 § 25</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 209</u>	Eliminates a requirement that the Department of Social Services commissioner develop a plan to maximize federal Medicaid reimbursements for Healthy Start in Connecticut and expand services within available state appropriations
<u>17 §§ 19-20</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 44-45</u>	Reduces, from \$1,400 to \$1,200, the maximum amount the Department of Social Services may pay for funeral and burial expenses for State Administered General Assistance (SAGA), Temporary Financial Assistance (TFA), and State Supplement recipients, and certain indigent individuals
<u>17 §§ 22-23</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 87 &amp; 88</u>	Makes numerous changes to the methodology the Department of Social Services must use to determine payment rates for various services hospitals provide to Medicaid recipients
<u>105</u>	<u>16-3 MSS §§ 44 &amp; 45</u>	Adds certain funding sources to the types of funds the Department of Social Services (DSS) must deduct from its maximum burial allowance when calculating its payment toward funeral and burial expenses of indigent individuals and those who receive Temporary Family Assistance (TFA), State Supplement Program (SSP), and State Administered General Assistance (SAGA) benefits
<u>106</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 88</u>	(1) Requires Medicaid payments for hospital outpatient and emergency department visits to be based on an unspecified ambulatory payment classification system and (2) allows DSS to establish a supplemental pool to provide payments to offset losses publicly operated acute care and acute care children's hospitals may incur as a result of the new payment system
<u>390</u>	<u>16-79</u>	For the two-generational school readiness and workforce development pilot program: (1) expands the interagency working group that oversees the program and (2) changes the contents of the report the working group must submit and expands the number of legislative committees that receive the report
	IN	SURANCE AND REAL ESTATE
<u>159</u>	<u>16-213 §§ 1-2</u>	Makes changes to the insurance statute on market conduct examinations and explicitly authorizes the insurance commissioner to issue "data calls" to regulated entities
<u>375</u>	<u>16-213 §§ 13-19</u>	Allows the Insurance Department to authorize HMOs organized outside the state to do business here and eliminates a requirement that health carriers annually file a utilization review report with the insurance commissioner
<u>5343</u>	<u>16-119</u>	Adopts the National Association of Insurance Commissioners' Interstate Insurance Product Regulation Compact for life insurance and annuity products
014		JUDICIARY
<u>214</u> <u>246</u>	<u>16-85 § 9</u> <u>16-67 §§ 6-9</u>	Subjects probate courts to the state's whistleblower law Increases penalties for certain school-related threats and establishes (1) conditions for absolute pardons and (2) an absolute defense to a civil action for those who report certain threats
<u>416</u>	<u>16-127 § 30</u>	Allows parties to certain claims against the state to agree to an extension of time for the claims commissioner to dispose of the claim even though it is beyond the timeframe allowed by law for extensions.

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<u>432</u>	<u>16-66 §§ 29-31</u>	(1) Exempts marriages at the Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan reservations from certain requirements that generally apply to Connecticut marriages and (2) specifies the validity of these marriages under Connecticut law, including marriages celebrated before the act's passage
<u>460</u>	<u>16-127</u>	Makes a number of changes to procedures and allowable awards for wrongful incarceration claims, including expanding the eligibility criteria, prescribing a new method for calculating an award, and requiring the legislature to review any award that exceeds \$20,000 or for which a claimant requests review
<u>470</u>	<u>16-4 MSS §§ 206 &amp; 260</u>	Establishes (1) the Neighborhood Security Fellowship Program, which is a pilot program that identifies and recruits certain at-risk individuals to participate as fellows, and (2) requirements for Neighborhood Security projects, which are certain public construction contracts awarded only to bidders who employ such fellows
<u>5052 § 2;</u> 5623 § 29	<u>16-71 § 12</u>	Expands the crime of trafficking in persons
<u>5052 § 5;</u> 5623 § 3	<u>16-71 § 3</u>	Requires lodging operators to keep guest records for at least six months
<u>5345</u>	<u>16-65 § 64</u>	Specifies when liens for unpaid estate settlement probate fees are unenforceable against third parties
<u>5401</u>	<u>16-67 § 10</u>	Requires the court to remove a minor's name from certain eviction-related records
<u>5598</u>	<u>16-127 § 31</u>	Deems certain claims against the state disposed of by the claims commissioner to have been disposed of during the required timeframe and deems certain claims to be properly within the courts' jurisdiction
<u>5623</u> (various sections)	<u>16-71 (various sections)</u>	(1) Changes Trafficking in Persons Council membership and changes the council's charge, (2) requires states' attorneys and police chiefs to report on trafficking activities, (3) requires the departments of Children and Families and Emergency Services and Public Protection to develop a training program on trafficking activities, (4) requires training for lodging employees, (5) increases the minimum age to be convicted of prostitution from 16 to 18, (6) enhances the penalty for certain forms of patronizing a prostitute and sets the fine for patronizing a prostitute (including from a motor vehicle) at the maximum of the range currently applicable, (7) expands the crime of enticing a minor, (8) requires more people to post a notice about services for trafficking victims, and (9) changes the type of property subject to forfeiture as tainted property related to sexual exploitation and trafficking
<u>5635</u>	<u>16-148 §§ 2-7</u>	Creates a specific crime of telephone fraud and classifies this crime into six degrees, which are generally based on the amount of money or value of the property the violator obtained illegally
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LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES			
<u>5075</u>	<u>16-10</u>	Establishes a program to provide wage replacement benefits to firefighters with cancer	
<u>5372</u>	<u>16-10</u>	Establishes a program to provide wage replacement benefits to firefighters with cancer	
	PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT		
<u>5602</u>	<u>16-144</u>	Makes changes related to (1) contracts for municipal goods and services, (2) sharing law enforcement personnel, (3) funding for audits of private special education service providers, and (4) regional performance incentive program (RPIP) grant eligibility	
<u>5603</u>	<u>16-144</u>	Makes changes related to (1) municipal, regional, and state plans of conservation and development and (2) sunsetting RPIP grants for costs associated with connecting to the Nutmeg Network	
		PUBLIC HEALTH	
<u>216</u>	<u>16-3 MSS § 202</u>	Exempts from the sales and use tax sales of feminine hygiene products and disposable and reusable diapers	
<u>352 § 3</u>	<u>16-43 §7</u>	Prohibits, with certain exceptions, a prescribing practitioner authorized to prescribe an opioid drug from issuing a prescription for more than a seven-day supply to (a) an adult for the first time for outpatient use or (b) a minor	
<u>353</u>	<u>16-43 §§ 4-6</u>	(1) Requires the Alcohol and Drug Policy Council's statewide plan for substance abuse treatment and prevention to include measurable goals, including reducing the number of opioid-induced death; (2) expands the settings in which certified individuals may practice auricular acupuncture to treat alcohol and drug abuse under a physician's supervision; and (3) specifies several steps that alcohol and drug counselors may take when treating clients	
<u>354</u>	<u>16-66 §§ 35 &amp; 36</u>	Generally prohibits anyone from representing himself or herself as a music or art therapist unless meeting certain certification and education requirements	
<u>355</u>	<u>16-66 § 41</u>	Requires the Department of Public Health (DPH) commissioner to take certain action if he reasonably suspects impropriety on the part of a municipal or district health director or the director's employee related to the performance of their duties	
<u>5129</u>	<u>16-66 § 43</u>	Requires the DPH commissioner to annually obtain, and make publicly available, a list of state residents on the National Healthcareer Association's registry of certified medical assistants	
<u>5131</u>	<u>16-66 § 44</u>	Establishes a working group to study nail salons and the provision of services by nail technicians	
<u>5133</u>	<u>16-66 § 38</u>	Establishes a two-tiered system of dental assistants and makes changes to the list of procedures that dental assistants may perform	
<u>5268</u>	<u>16-66 § 37</u>	Require all hospice facilities that serve up to six people and meet certain other requirements, not just inpatient facilities, to be treated as single family residences for zoning purposes	
<u>5270</u>	<u>16-214</u>	Allows certain terminally ill patients, under specified conditions, to access investigational drugs	
<u>5455</u>	<u>16-66 § 46</u>	Establishes a medical records task force	

Originated As Bill #	Enacted as Public Act #	Brief Explanation of Concept
<u>5457</u>	<u>16-66 §§ 39 &amp; 40</u>	(1) Requires district health directors to serve in a full-time capacity, instead of devoting their "entire time" to performing the duties of the position, as was required under prior law and (2) prohibits district health directors and certain municipal health directors from having a financial interest or engaging in a job, transaction, or professional activity that substantially conflicts with the their duties
<u>5536</u>	<u>16-66 § 51</u>	Allows a new diabetes advisory council to study the effectiveness of existing state diabetes programs and related issues and develop an action plan to reduce the disease's impact on the state
	PROGR	AM REVIEW AND INVESTIGATIONS
<u>169</u>	<u>16-114</u>	Requires DOL to update its apprenticeship website, by March 1, 2017, with certain information, such as a list of occupations in which apprentices are employed and apprenticeship coursework and costs
		TRANSPORTATION
<u>5055</u>	<u>16- 55 § 24</u>	(1) Allows the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to contract with other entities to conduct certain license and registration transactions; (2) increases, from \$3 to \$5, the maximum amount contractors may charge per transaction; and (3) allows municipal departments and offices to conduct these transactions
<u>5461</u>	<u>16-55 § 15</u>	Requires DMV to issue a certificate of title for vehicles 20 model years old or older upon the owner's request
<u>5463</u>	<u>16-55 §§ 16-22</u>	Makes technical changes to the motor vehicle statutes
		VETERANS' AFFAIRS
<u>198</u>	<u>16-191 § 2</u>	Requires municipalities to waive the interest on delinquent property taxes owed by certain active military members serving out-of-state, rather than only by those serving in Iraq or Afghanistan
<u>5347</u>	<u>16-68 §§ 2 &amp; 3</u>	Requires the (1) veterans' affairs commissioner to require the administrators of each nursing home and assisted living facility in the state to notify the department's veterans' advocacy and assistance unit every six months of new residents who are veterans or their family members and (2) unit to use this information to develop an annual schedule for veteran service officers to visit these facilities, among other things

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