



2026 Bill Tracking Report

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Notice to Readers

This report identifies bills considered during the General Assembly's 2026 regular legislative session whose content or concepts were incorporated into other legislation that the legislature passed under different bill numbers. It lists bills that were, at a minimum, fully drafted and had a public hearing but whose substance, in part or in whole, was enacted as a public act through separate legislation. The report includes those acts that (1) borrowed specific content from another bill or (2) addressed similar concepts using language that did not exactly match that of the other bill. It excludes vetoed acts.

The content or concepts of one bill are generally carried forward into another by (1) a committee amending or substituting the language of an existing bill or creating a new bill using language from a previous one and then favorably reporting it, (2) the House or Senate adopting an amendment containing language from a bill that otherwise failed to move forward, or (3) an emergency certified bill (such as the budget implementer) incorporating language from other legislation.

During this session, the content or concepts originating in at least 209 bills were incorporated into other legislation that was enacted in 52 public acts.

Table 1 organizes the bills by the committee of origin, lists them in numerical order based on the bill number, identifies the relevant public acts, and briefly summarizes the incorporated content in the acts. Table 2 lists all the bills in numerical order. Unless otherwise noted, the version of the bill referenced in column one of both tables is the one most recently acted upon by the legislature. In many instances, the bills and acts are broken out by specific section numbers. Consequently, some bills have multiple entries.

Table 1: Bill Tracking by Committee

AGING		
Bill #	Public Act #	Brief Explanation of Public Act
<u>124</u>	<u>26-74 § 2</u>	Prohibits anyone appointed as a municipal agent for aging (previously referred to as “municipal agent for elderly persons”) from having certain conflicts of interest
<u>284</u>	<u>26-74 § 3</u>	Raises the upper population limit for purposes of the law requiring certain multifamily housing projects with age-restricted units to have a back-up generator if they are in towns of a certain size
<u>287</u>	<u>26-74 § 4</u>	Requires home health aide agencies to provide free personal protective equipment to their employees
<u>288 §§ 1 & 2</u>	<u>26-74 §§ 5 & 6</u> , as amended by <u>26-76 § 43</u>	Creates an exception to the nursing home bed moratorium and modifies related certificate of need (CON) criteria
<u>288 § 3</u>	<u>26-74 § 7</u>	Establishes a separate auditing process for nursing homes’ minimum data set information for acuity-based Medicaid payments
<u>289</u>	<u>26-68 § 446</u>	Creates an enhanced Medicaid performance payment for nursing homes that improve their quality-based metrics; requires the Department of Social Services (DSS) to phase in the federal Patient Driven Payment Model; establishes an enhanced payment for nursing homes whose payor mix is more than 75% Medicaid residents
APPROPRIATIONS		
Bill #	Public Act #	Brief Explanation of Public Act
<u>389</u>	<u>26-76 § 53</u>	Changes how the Department of Labor (DOL) must allocate youth employment and training funds to the regional workforce development boards from specified percentages to a need-based formula
<u>5030 § 1</u>	<u>26-68 § 62</u>	Requires the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to issue “Pizza State” commemorative license plates to increase public awareness of the state’s pizza-making tradition and provide funding to Connecticut Foodshare

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5030 § 2	26-68 § 63	Authorizes the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection (DESPP) commissioner to appoint an additional deputy commissioner
5030 § 3	26-68 § 64	Decreases how often the Office of Policy and Management (OPM) distributes funds from the Hispanic-American Veterans of Connecticut account, from quarterly to annually
5030 § 4	26-68 § 65	Removes an obsolete provision that generally gave OPM responsibility for determining state energy policy
5030 § 5	26-68 § 66	Requires the Department of Public Health (DPH) commissioner to quarterly certify to OPM the (1) amount of fees collected for certified marriage and death certificates in the previous quarter and (2) neglected cemetery account's balance as of the last day of the previous quarter
5030 § 6	26-68 § 67	Removes the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities from DOL
5030 §§ 7-101	26-68 §§ 68-161 , as amended by 26-76 §§ 76 & 96	Eliminates the Office of Health Strategy (OHS) and generally transfers its powers, duties, and functions to DPH, OPM, DSS, and the Office of the Healthcare Advocate (OHA)
5032 §§ 1, 22 & 23	26-68 §§ 1, 486 & 487 , as amended by 26-76 § 63	Renames the "Governor's Guards account" as the "Governor's Foot Guards account" and requires money in the Governor's Guards horse account to be allocated and accounted for by each unit (First and Second Company)
5032 § 12	PA 26-68 § 476	Requires the Office of Legislative Management to give legislative employees the same FY 27 wage terms as required under a collective bargaining agreement with other state employees (a 2.5% general wage increase, plus annual increments and top step lump sum payments)
5032 § 16	26-68 § 480	Designates for Shore Line East \$3 million and \$4 million, respectively, from the Department of Transportation's (DOT) FYs 26 and 27 Rail Operations appropriations

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5032 § 20	26-68 § 484	Requires the DESPP commissioner, Police Officer Standards and Training Council (POST), and the Southern Connecticut State University (SCSU) president to jointly report to the legislature on the status of the social work and law enforcement project at SCSU and its associated expenditures
5032 § 21	26-68 §§ 386 & 485 , as amended by 26-76 § 84	Requires the student loan ombudsman to report to the legislature on the ombudsman's office's 2025 and 2026 activities
5032 § 24	26-68 § 470 , as amended by 26-76 § 56	Modifies the student qualification and reporting requirements under the Finish Line Scholars Program
5032 § 26	26-68 § 488	Expands the Mashantucket Pequot reservation lands that are eligible for payment in lieu of taxes (PILOT) payments to reimburse municipalities for forgone property tax revenue
5032 § 27	26-68 § 489	Codifies a stipend for General Assembly interns
BANKING		
Bill #	Public Act #	Brief Explanation of Public Act
215	26-94 § 1	Specifies ways in which someone may show their interest in their property so it is not presumed abandoned, including through activity directed by an owner for another account at a banking or financial organization that is the holder of the account with the subject property
216	26-79 § 1	Sets the minimum interest rate that the state treasurer may accept for investment-related services under the Community Bank and Credit Union Initiative; requires that the treasurer select participating banks and credit unions through an application process rather than a competitive bidding process
217	26-79 § 2	Requires mortgagees to accept payments on the outstanding principal of residential property loans that are beyond the loans' required monthly payments

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<u>219</u>	<u>26-79 § 3</u>	Explicitly authorizes the Department of Banking (DOB) commissioner, after an investigation, to order a civil penalty of up to \$100,000 for certain violations of the security deposit laws
<u>302 § 1</u>	<u>26-79 § 4</u>	Eliminates the requirement that Connecticut banks with a “satisfactory” Community Reinvestment Act rating submit a plan for meeting community banking needs when applying to establish a branch location in the state or convert a limited branch to a branch, or vice versa
<u>302 § 2</u>	<u>26-79 § 5</u>	Generally shortens the timeframe for the DOB commissioner to notify banks applying to establish a Connecticut or out-of-state branch of his determination before the applications are deemed approved
<u>5210</u>	<u>26-51 § 1</u>	Requires (1) certain entities and individuals to adopt written programs with standards on developing, implementing, and maintaining reasonable data security safeguards for customer information and (2) DOB licensees and Connecticut banks and credit unions to notify the department within three business days after a data security incident
<u>5213</u>	<u>26-51 § 2</u>	Requires DOB to study financial institutions’ payroll processing methods and how long it takes payroll checks to clear
<u>5314</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 345 & 346</u>	Make various changes to the “Homes for CT” loan program, including changing the maximum interest rate participating lenders may charge under the program and authorizing the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority (CHFA) to make grants to participating borrowers
<u>5315</u>	<u>26-51 § 3</u>	Sets up a 19-member working group to study consumer fraud and how to protect against it
<u>5316</u>	<u>26-22 § 1</u>	Prohibits hospitals from entering into sale-leaseback transactions beginning July 1, 2027

Table 1 (continued)

<u>5317</u>	<u>26-51 § 4</u>	Narrows the circumstances under which a creditor must give a mortgage loan applicant a plain language notice about flood insurance, generally to one-to-four family residential real property in the state
CHILDREN		
Bill #	Public Act #	Brief Explanation of Public Act
<u>6 § 4</u>	<u>26-26 § 23</u>	Requires (1) notification to the Department of Children and Families (DCF) when people convicted of certain crimes against children are released from prison and (2) DCF to determine if any children who are subject to a protective order, or who receive protective services, live at the address where the convicted person lives and, if so, to conduct safety visits
<u>5268</u>	<u>26-26 § 21</u> <u>26-130 § 4</u>	Permits DPH to release acknowledgment of parentage information to DCF
COMMERCE		
Bill #	Public Act #	Brief Explanation of Public Act
<u>133</u>	<u>26-78 § 2</u>	Establishes the Connecticut-India Trade Commission to, among other things, advance bilateral trade and investment between Connecticut and India
<u>5244 § 1</u>	<u>26-122 § 4</u>	Increases, from \$10 million to \$25 million, the cap on how much assistance the Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD) or Connecticut Innovations, Inc. can biennially award for a business project without legislative approval
<u>5244 § 2</u>	<u>26-122 § 5</u>	Allows certain employers to require promissory notes for fees an employer pays related to an employee's federal H-1B visa
<u>5319</u>	<u>26-68 § 267</u>	Creates an income tax credit for qualifying small businesses that incur eligible research and design (R&D) spending in Connecticut, capping the credit each tax year at \$1.5 million per business and \$25 million in total

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EDUCATION		
Bill #	Public Act #	Brief Explanation of Public Act
<u>221</u>	<u>26-149 §§ 2 & 3</u>	Revises and expands the aspiring educators scholarship program
<u>223</u>	<u>26-149 § 6</u>	Makes permanent two health care subsidy programs for paraeducators employed by school boards and expands them to include charter school paraeducators
<u>311 § 2</u> (Raised Bill)	<u>26-1 § 40</u>	Limits the circumstances under which schools may give out-of-school suspension to younger students
<u>312</u>	<u>26-149 §§ 4 & 5</u> <u>26-151 § 2</u>	Creates American Sign Language (ASL) working groups to make recommendations for curriculum guidance and teacher certification standards
<u>5033 § 5</u> (Governor's Bill)	<u>26-68 § 378</u>	Extends to FY 27 the requirement to proportionately reduce grants for health services given to private school students under state law
<u>5034 §§ 1-3</u> (Governor's Bill)	<u>26-139 §§ 7-9</u>	Establishes an incentive program for school districts that limits broad assessments and increases teacher competency in the assessment process; requires the State Department of Education (SDE) to develop and give guidance to school boards on reducing discretionary local student assessments; allows SDE to ask the U.S. Department of Education to amend the state's approved plan under the federal Every Student Succeeds Act
<u>5034 § 4</u> (Governor's Bill)	<u>26-139 § 10</u>	Requires SDE to (1) redesign the state's high school mathematics pathways, (2) develop a list of professional development providers to support high quality mathematics instruction, (3) explore the feasibility of using MathConn, and (4) develop mathematics specialist guidelines
<u>5147 § 1</u>	<u>26-68 § 397</u>	Lowens the reimbursement percentage cap on eligible costs a school board may receive for school construction grants from 100% to 95%

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<u>5147 §§ 2-7</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 398-403</u>	Renames the School Building Projects Advisory Council as the School Safety and Security Infrastructure Advisory Council and revises its responsibilities
<u>5150 § 1</u>	<u>26-68 § 396</u>	Authorizes school construction grant commitments for the 2026 priority list
<u>5150 § 2</u>	<u>26-68 § 397</u>	Creates a new bonus of an additional 20% for any school district that increased enrollment by 20% or more over a 10-year period
<u>5218 § 1</u>	<u>26-12 § 8</u>	Sets the standard of review for tenured public school teacher terminations
<u>5218 § 2</u>	<u>26-12 § 1</u>	Allows certain teachers and related employees to receive enhanced workers' compensation benefits if they are unable to work due to a physical or negligent assault while performing their work duties
<u>5323 §§ 1-3</u> (File 380)	<u>26-62 §§ 1, 2 & 4</u>	Creates two working groups, one to develop recommendations on disordered eating, including recommending an evidence-based screening tool, and one for a statewide food education road map and model school nutrition curriculum; requires school-based health centers to give the screening tool to patients in grades 6 to 12 during their annual health assessment
<u>5327</u>	<u>26-139 §§ 11-13</u>	Revises the laws on disclosing certain misconduct-related information when hiring a prospective school employee who will have contact with children, such as (1) expanding the scope of what the applicant, employers, and SDE must disclose to include allegations currently under investigation and (2) requiring the applicant's written statement, and the forms that employers must complete, to have a disclosure of whether the applicant was or is facing an allegation involving the injury or risk of injury to, or impairing the morals of, a minor

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ENERGY & TECHNOLOGY		
Bill #	Public Act #	Brief Explanation of Public Act
<u>421</u>	<u>26-12 §§ 44-47</u> , as amended by <u>26-68 § 206</u>	Creates a process with notice requirements, deadlines, and penalties for public utility pole users and owners to transfer their wires and equipment from existing poles to replacement poles and then remove double utility poles
<u>5036 § 1</u>	<u>26-127 § 15</u>	Requires the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) to implement a smart solar permitting platform to automatically review applications for residential solar projects; requires municipalities to allow applications to be submitted through the DAS platform or through an alternative automated permitting platform; sets related reporting requirements
<u>5248 § 5</u>	<u>26-127 §§ 17 & 18</u>	Requires the Siting Council, when determining whether a public need exists for certain projects, to consider whether the project addresses anticipated future electric grid reliability needs, including the need for additional generation to maintain resource adequacy
<u>5470 § 1</u>	<u>26-63 § 24</u>	Eliminates the requirement that environmental justice communities fully transition to zero-emission school buses by 2030
<u>5472 § 1</u> (File 423)	<u>26-127 § 12</u>	Requires certain Siting Council certificate holders for electric generation or storage facilities to report major and minor safety incidents to the council
<u>5472 § 2</u> (File 423)	<u>26-127 § 13</u>	Allows the Siting Council to require applicants to provide emergency service training to local firefighters or other emergency services personnel; requires applicants for council approval to designate an emergency contact person for the facility
<u>5472 § 3</u> (File 423)	<u>26-127 § 14</u>	Requires the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority to convene a working group on resuming energy generation service after a service shutoff at a generation or storage facility

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ENVIRONMENT		
Bill #	Public Act #	Brief Explanation of Public Act
<u>145</u>	<u>26-65</u>	Outlines certain rapid response actions and associated timeframes to eradicate, contain, or control hydrilla or other aquatic invasive plant species; requires the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) to expedite permitting for rapid response actions for hydrilla and other qualifying aquatic invasive species
<u>149</u>	<u>26-75 §§ 8-22</u>	Makes various changes to the Department of Agriculture's (DoAg) Farmers' Market Nutrition Program to conform with current department practices and align with program modernizations; repeals two defunct programs (the Connecticut Quality Seal and Apple Marketing Order programs); eliminates the requirement that DoAg adopt regulations for the farm transition grant program
<u>5152</u>	<u>26-124 §§ 11-14</u>	Expands the authority of the DEEP commissioner, state forest fire warden, and governor to limit activities across the state in specified ways to prevent wildfires
<u>5154</u>	<u>26-124 § 9</u>	Expands DEEP's authority to issue general permits by generally allowing it to do so for activities it can authorize by individual permit, if the activity causes minimal environmental effects
<u>5330</u>	<u>26-101 §§ 3-5</u>	Expands DEEP's traditionally non-harvested species conservation program to, among other things, implement the state's most recent federally approved wildlife action plan; creates a working group to determine how the program should be funded and implemented; requires any money donated to the state for the program to be allocated to it
<u>5333 § 3</u> (Raised Bill)	<u>26-12 § 64</u> , as amended by <u>26-68 § 253</u>	Allows food service establishments and licensed seafood dealers to sell lobsters greater or less than lobster management area six minimum and maximum length requirements under certain conditions

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<u>5520</u>	<u>26-101 § 6</u> , as amended by <u>26-124 § 15</u>	Allows 10 or more people to petition the DEEP commissioner to require a fish passage be installed at certain dams; sets an evaluation process the commissioner must follow when she receives a petition; requires her to take related actions if she determines a dam does not have an adequate passage
<u>5523 § 5</u>	<u>26-68 § 479</u>	Requires DEEP to make grants totaling \$50,000 in FY 27 to federal- and state-recognized Native American tribes for hunting and fishing license fees
FINANCE, REVENUE & BONDING		
Bill #	Public Act #	Brief Explanation of Public Act
<u>84 §§ 1 & 2</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 265 & 266</u>	Decouples the state corporation business tax from the federal bonus depreciation deduction for qualified production property, starting with the 2026 income year; delays, by one year, conforming the state corporation business tax to recent changes to the federal deduction for domestic research and experimental expenditures and disallows the retroactive application of these changes for the 2022 to 2025 income years; generally exempts corporation business taxpayers from penalties and interest on any additional tax due to these changes
<u>84 § 3</u>	<u>26-68 § 267</u>	Creates an income tax credit for qualifying small businesses that incur eligible R&D spending in Connecticut, capping the credit each tax year at \$1.5 million per business and \$25 million in total
<u>84 § 4</u>	<u>26-68 § 256</u>	Adjusts the volatility cap threshold for FY 26 and resets it for FY 27
<u>84 § 5</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 257 & 258</u>	Modifies the amount of FY 26 General Fund resources the state comptroller must transfer to be accounted for as FY 27 General Fund revenue
<u>84 § 6</u>	<u>26-68 § 260</u>	Decreases the required transfers from the General Fund to the Municipal Revenue Sharing Fund

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<u>84 §§ 7 & 8</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 269 & 270</u>	Shifts the funding source for municipal aid grants to Ledyard and Montville in FY 27 from Other Expenses to the Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund
<u>84 § 31</u>	<u>26-68 § 262</u>	Increases the exemption amount for “sales tax free week” from \$100 to \$300 and adds backpacks and cleated shoes to the list of exempt items
<u>84 §§ 34-44</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 357-362</u> , as amended by <u>26-76 §§ 18-20 & 82</u>	Restructures the state’s hospital provider tax on inpatient and outpatient hospital services
<u>84 § 44</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 60 & 61</u>	Repeals the 6% tax on nursing home and intermediate care facility revenue scheduled to take effect on July 1, 2026, and instead retains the current user fee on these facilities
<u>85</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 289-308, 310-339, 343 & 348</u>	Authorizes new state general obligation bonds for FY 27 for various state capital projects and grant programs, and adjusts several current bond authorizations and bond programs
<u>515</u>	<u>26-68 § 274</u> , as amended by <u>26-76 § 59</u>	Requires OPM to submit a workforce and productivity gap contribution plan to the General Assembly
<u>5109</u>	<u>26-68 § 264</u>	Replaces the state taxes on retail sales of cannabis plant material, cannabis edible products, and other cannabis with a single tax; increases the amount of cannabis tax revenue directed to the social equity and innovation account for FYs 27 and 28 and correspondingly reduces the amount directed to the General Fund for those years
<u>5443 § 4</u>	<u>26-68 § 262</u>	Increases the exemption amount for “sales tax free week” from \$100 to \$300 and adds backpacks to the list of exempt items
<u>5539 § 1</u>	<u>26-100 § 33</u>	Expands specified requirements for e-cigarette dealers and generally expands the circumstances under which the Department of Consumer Protection (DCP) may deny a dealer’s registration or take other enforcement actions

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5571 § 1	26-68 §§ 254 & 255	Creates a refundable sales and use tax credit up to \$10 million under which, generally, the PeoplesBank Arena's facility management company may qualify if it contracts with UConn to host a minimum number of events
5571 § 3	26-76 § 50	Modifies requirements for businesses to qualify for tax credits under the angel investor tax credit program, including reducing the minimum percentage of a business's employees that must live in Connecticut
5571 § 5	26-75 § 2	Expands who qualifies as an eligible farmer under a farm investment tax credit program
GENERAL LAW		
Bill #	Public Act #	Brief Explanation of Public Act
86 § 1	26-15 § 36	Requires the state's chief data officer to review executive branch agencies' inventory of high value data and publish anything useful for artificial intelligence (AI) systems, machine learning, and other statistical means of data analysis
86 § 2	26-15 § 3	Requires the DECD commissioner to (1) develop a plan to establish an AI regulatory sandbox program and (2) submit legislative implementation recommendations to the governor and General Assembly
86 § 3	26-15 §§ 4-6	Requires an AI companion operator to include certain protocols for specified user expressions (such as self-harm) and give certain notices to a user disclosing that the user is communicating with an AI companion
118	26-100 § 26	Prohibits making, selling, or distributing a baby food product containing toxic heavy metal amounts above federal Food and Drug Administration limits and requires certain related product testing and labeling

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<u>119</u>	<u>26-100 §§ 27 & 28</u>	Extends the statutory used vehicle warranty requirements to all vehicles that are less than 10 years old, regardless of price, rather than those that cost \$3,000 or more and are less than seven years old; requires these vehicles to have the required express warranty for at least 60 days or 3,000 miles, whichever ends first
<u>229 § 1</u>	<u>26-53 § 4</u>	Adds various requirements for the geolocation system of electronic wagering platforms that are exclusively used for fantasy contests, selling lottery draw game tickets, or keno
<u>229 § 2</u> (Raised Bill)	<u>26-53 § 5</u>	Sets deadlines for DCP to require testing and certification of a lottery gaming system, lottery draw game, or keno
<u>230 § 1</u>	<u>26-100 § 22</u>	Defines “retailer” for the purposes of certain out-of-state alcoholic liquor shippers’ permits
<u>230 §§ 2 & 3</u>	<u>26-100 §§ 23 & 24</u>	Limits placarding requirements for certain liquor permittees
<u>230 § 5</u>	<u>26-100 § 25</u>	Requires alcoholic liquor permittees or backers (who furnish an age statement form to escape liability) to have acted reasonably in serving or giving alcohol to a minor
<u>231 §§ 1 & 4</u>	<u>26-8 §§ 44 & 52</u>	Generally sets a 60-day deadline to dispose of medical marijuana and cannabis samples that fail testing
<u>232</u>	<u>26-64 § 20</u> , as amended by <u>26-100 § 58</u>	Prohibits a streaming video service from transmitting to a consumer commercial advertising audio that is louder than the video it accompanies
<u>5037</u>	<u>26-15 § 39</u>	Limits a minor’s ability to access portions of a social media platform that uses a personalized algorithm, including first requiring verification of the user’s age and limiting the times when notifications with any personalized suggestions may be sent; requires platform operators to give minors certain warnings related to mental health; requires operators to disclose certain information for the previous calendar year

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5125	26-100 §§ 30-32	Generally prohibits ticket resellers from offering to sell entertainment event tickets they do not possess or have a contract to get; changes requirements for ticket price disclosures; prohibits the unauthorized use of websites with the name of a venue, event, or performer to sell tickets
5128	26-64 §§ 17-19	Gives consumers a property right and exclusive control over their biological samples that are given to a direct-to-consumer genetic testing company and their results; requires these companies to disclose certain policies and procedures to consumers and get a consumer's consent for various uses of their genetic data
5222 §§ 12 & 16 (File 183)	26-57 §§ 2 & 3	Makes minor changes to a required statement in funeral service contracts about the purchaser receiving notice from the escrow agent about the initial deposit; requires purchasers to sign another statement about receiving and reviewing a DCP fact sheet on funeral service contracts; creates a prepaid funeral service contract working group to study issues about these contracts and a guaranty fund
5224 (File 185)	26-100 §§ 13-21 & 69	Transfers responsibility for the Real Estate Guaranty Fund to DCP; specifies when interest accrues on awards from various guaranty funds; requires an applicant for an award from the Home Improvement Guaranty Fund to state that he or she made a good faith effort to collect what is owed before receiving a fund payment and changes certain repayment provisions
5227 §§ 1-6	26-100 §§ 34-36	Requires home improvement contractors that perform mold remediation to hold a certification and requires them to perform mold remediation according to certain industry standards

Table 1 (continued)

5228 (House "A")	26-100 § 33	Expands the requirements for e-cigarette dealer registrations and the circumstances in which DCP may deny a registration, including when a municipality already has one dealer for every 2,500 residents, and authorizes the DCP commissioner to impose civil penalties
5351	26-8 §§ 54 & 57	Makes several changes related to the Social Equity Council, including allowing it to conduct investigations and consolidating certain reporting requirements; allows certain replacements of an original backer for social equity applicants
GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION & ELECTIONS		
Bill #	Public Act #	Brief Explanation of Public Act
224 226 §§ 24 & 25	26-1 §§ 94 & 95	Generally exempts ballots from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act; specifies that a referendum includes questions submitted to voters under a home rule ordinance
226 §§ 1-4, 6 & 7	26-1 §§ 69-73, 75 & 76 , as amended by 26-42 § 62	Makes various changes to the state's early voting laws and moderator requirements, including (1) requiring early voting ballots to be inserted into tabulators instead of envelopes, (2) changing the contents of and procedures for filing early voting and same-day election registration location certifications, and (3) changing the contents of reports concerning moderators for these locations
226 § 5	26-1 § 74	Extends the period before a primary prohibiting an unaffiliated voter from participating in a party's primary if the voter registers by mail and seeks to affiliate themselves with that party
226 § 8	26-1 § 77	Requires officials in all municipalities, instead of only those in municipalities with multiple voting districts, to meet to correct errors in election night returns and submit amended returns if necessary
226 § 9	26-1 § 78	Requires specified entities to notify the secretary of the state (SOTS) about certain election-related actions and violations

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<u>226 §§ 10-13</u>	<u>26-1 §§ 79-82</u> , as amended by <u>26-42 §§ 65-68</u>	Creates a process for candidates to correct endorsement certificates and certificates of candidacies for nomination; authorizes SOTS to make corrections and keep a record of them
<u>226 §§ 14-18</u>	<u>26-1 §§ 83-87</u>	Adjusts the requirements for filing ballots with SOTS for review and approval
<u>226 § 20</u>	<u>26-1 § 89</u>	Authorizes SOTS to initiate declaratory judgment actions on behalf of aggrieved electors if within the 90 days before an election or primary
<u>226 § 21</u>	<u>26-1 § 90</u> , as amended by <u>26-42 § 10</u>	Requires moderators to keep and transmit to SOTS a log of absentee ballots that are rejected due to the voter failing to (1) sign the required statement on the return envelope or (2) provide sufficient identification required by federal law
<u>226 §§ 22 & 23</u>	<u>26-1 §§ 91-93</u> , as amended by <u>26-42 §§ 35 & 36</u>	Requires recanvassing all voting districts when a discrepancy occurs, not just the district with the discrepancy; modifies the procedures for communicating with the moderator during a recanvass
<u>226 § 26</u>	<u>26-1 §§ 96 & 97</u>	Limits the disclosure and use of voter registration information and subjects violators of the use restrictions to fines; explicitly authorizes SOTS to adopt regulations regarding the use of voter registration information
<u>394</u>	<u>26-42 §§ 44-56</u>	Implements risk-limiting audits (RLAs) for state elections; establishes an RLA pilot program for municipal elections
<u>395</u>	<u>26-42 §§ 71 & 72</u>	Establishes a task force to study achieving 100% voter participation; allows municipalities to conduct pilot programs to achieve this
<u>463 § 1</u> <u>5533 § 1</u>	<u>26-42 § 57</u> , as amended by <u>26-76 § 36</u>	Prohibits, with certain exceptions, (1) law enforcement from knowingly being within 250 feet of an elections site or being within this perimeter to check voter qualifications and (2) anyone from wearing a mask or other covering within 250 feet of an election site; establishes criminal and disenfranchisement penalties for certain violations

Table 1 (continued)

<u>463 §§ 3-5</u> <u>5533 §§ 3-5</u>	<u>26-42 §§ 58-60</u>	Creates or modifies various election-related penalties including (1) increasing the penalty for subsequent offenses of an existing prohibition against harassing election workers to interfere with their election day duties, (2) expanding existing harassment protections to assistant town clerks, (3) creating a penalty for an election official giving a third party a tabulator or tabulator part when unauthorized, and (4) penalizing several acts concerning absentee ballot drop boxes
<u>463 § 6</u> <u>5533 § 6</u>	<u>26-42 § 33</u>	Requires municipal officials and election workers to notify the attorney general and SOTS of a subpoena, warrant, or other request for or to inspect certain election records
<u>463 § 7</u> <u>5533 § 7</u>	<u>26-42 § 34</u>	Authorizes the attorney general to seek certain court relief to prevent or resolve interference in elections for federal offices
<u>463 § 8</u> <u>5533 § 8</u>	<u>26-42 § 61</u>	Expands the circumstances by which the attorney general may investigate, intervene in, and seek certain forms of relief to include when anyone has established a policy that deprives or interferes with another person's civil rights; specifies that interfering with another person's civil rights (or attempting to) includes doing so by physical obstruction
<u>471 § 1</u>	<u>26-12 § 54</u> , as amended by <u>26-68 §§ 371 & 372</u>	Requires the DOL commissioner, when determining the prevailing wages required on a public works project, to determine the portion that covers payments, contributions, and member benefits at the journeyman rate
<u>486</u>	<u>26-68 § 182</u>	Changes who must perform criminal history checks for state employees with access to federal tax information
<u>491 § 1</u>	<u>26-42 § 1</u>	Expands absentee voting to all eligible voters, instead of requiring voters to have a specified excuse to vote

Table 1 (continued)

491 §§ 2, 3 & 5	26-42 §§ 2, 3 & 5	Makes various changes to absentee balloting sets and related materials including (1) consolidating the inner and outer envelopes into one “return envelope,” (2) expanding the information included on the envelope, (3) requiring a privacy sleeve, and (4) switching from serial numbers to unique ballot identification numbers
491 § 4	26-42 § 4	Allows Department of Correction (DOC) employees assisting incarcerated voters with their absentee ballots to provide the employing facility’s contact information instead of their personal contact information
491 § 6	26-42 § 6	Deems an absentee ballot as cast when properly signed by the voter and accepted by the town clerk; requires town clerks to retrieve ballots from absentee ballot drop boxes on each business day instead of each weekday
491 § 7	26-42 § 7	Establishes procedures for voters to cure their absentee ballots if they failed to sign the required statement on their return envelopes
491 §§ 7 & 10	26-42 §§ 7 & 10	Modifies deadlines for sorting and processing absentee ballots
491 § 8	26-42 § 8	Requires SOTS to develop and install absentee ballot tracking software
5220 (Raised Bill)	26-1 § 61 26-68 § 176	Increases the State Properties Review Board’s membership from six to eight and the compensation rates and limits of its members
5346	26-68 § 349	Allows the Community Investment Fund 2030 Board’s appointed members to vote by proxy
5347	26-76 § 51	Requires the OPM secretary to establish a phased statewide language access implementation plan for executive branch agencies; sets annual reporting requirements to the legislature on the plan’s implementation

Table 1 (continued)

5529	26-42 § 69	Specifies that electronic poll books may only be used as a backup to the paper-based poll book when checking in voters; requires registrars to provide certain notice if they plan to do so
5530	26-42 § 70	Establishes a task force to study absentee ballot access in certain cities and boroughs in the state that are unconsolidated with the towns where they are located
5531	26-76 §§ 73-75	Requires presidential electors to pledge they will vote for the presidential candidate they were elected to support; establishes procedures for removing electors who fail to vote for their pledged candidate and nullifying their votes
5551 § 9	26-127 § 16	Prohibits the Siting Council, until July 1, 2027, from approving solar facilities in certain municipalities that already have council-approved solar facilities on a certain proportion of their total land area
5552	26-14 § 13 , as amended by 26-76 § 46	Sets various conditions and restrictions on how law enforcement and other public agencies may use automated license plate reader (ALPR) systems or associated data
GOVERNMENT OVERSIGHT		
Bill #	Public Act #	Brief Explanation of Public Act
323 § 1	26-66 § 1	Reduces the quorum requirement for the nine-member Citizen's Ethics Advisory Board from six to five
323 § 2	26-66 § 2	Amends the Code of Ethics for Public Officials by adjusting disclosure requirements for tax-sheltered annuity retirement plans on public statements of financial interest
5353	26-12 § 17	Requires DSS to file quarterly reports on the fiscal intermediary that provides payroll and other services for DSS's self-directed home care programs

Table 1 (continued)

<u>5474</u>	<u>26-40 §§ 2 & 3</u>	Requires DOC to (1) within available bond authorizations, implement or contract for an electronic health record system that, among other things, provides accessible records on the administration of medication and allows incarcerated people to digitally request medical care and (2) annually report on the implementation status of its health care services plan
<u>5477 § 1</u>	<u>26-10 § 1</u>	Makes changes to the standards for preventing, detecting, monitoring, and responding to sexual abuse in prisons and other correctional facilities by, among other things, adding the duty to intervene and specifying that certain specialized training includes trauma-informed care methods for sexual abuse victims
<u>5477 § 6</u>	<u>26-70 § 12</u>	Requires DOC to issue a request for proposals for a confidential crisis hotline so that correction officers and inmates can report sexual violence incidents
HIGHER EDUCATION & EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT		
Bill #	Public Act #	Brief Explanation of Public Act
<u>8 §§ 1, 2 & 4</u> <u>85 §§ 8-15 & 37</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 340, 341 & 344</u>	Requires the Connecticut Higher Education Supplemental Loan Authority (CHESLA) to create a Supplemental Graduate Loan Program to provide loans to eligible graduate students; authorizes general obligation bonds for the program; increases the amount of CHESLA's bonds backed by a special capital reserve fund that can be outstanding at any time
<u>380 § 1</u> (APP JF)	<u>26-68 § 382</u>	Requires the Office of Higher Education to establish a program to support the creation of new promise programs throughout the state, with a goal of eight by January 1, 2031, and prioritization given towards ones serving students in alliance districts

Table 1 (continued)

5158	26-122 § 27	Prohibits public higher education institutions from reducing the amount of financial aid awarded to a student who receives a Willis scholarship or federal Pell grant because the student receives a private scholarship unless (1) a student's total financial aid meets or exceeds the student's cost of attendance or (2) a student athlete requires a reduction to meet individual or team financial aid restrictions imposed by an athletic association or conference
5478 §§ 1, 3 & 9	26-12 §§ 57-60	Requires (1) the UConn Board of Trustees and Board of Regents for Higher Education to develop an internship training program for businesses, higher education institutions to report on internships available through their career services offices, and (2) DAS to report on state agencies' internship programs
HOUSING		
Bill #	Public Act #	Brief Explanation of Public Act
152	26-68 §§ 1 & 463	Requires the Department of Housing (DOH) to make \$250,000 of its FY 27 Rental Assistance Program General Fund appropriation available for inspecting housing units' compliance with state and local codes
5162	26-68 § 309	Allows CHFA to use an existing bond authorization (1) to capitalize assistance issued under its Down Payment Assistance Program or (2) for its Emergency Mortgage Assistance Program (prior law only permitted the latter use)
5362 § 11	26-129 § 3	Makes a minor change to the law on off-street parking minimums (passed in the 2025 November Special Session housing legislation) to align the provision on setting parking minimums in conservation and traffic mitigation districts with one broadly limiting minimums for developments with fewer than 17 dwellings

Table 1 (continued)

<u>5362 §§ 14 & 15</u>	<u>26-129 §§ 4 & 5</u>	Sunsets the majority leaders' roundtable group on affordable housing on June 30, 2026, and makes conforming changes in the law on the Council on Housing Development
HUMAN SERVICES		
Bill #	Public Act #	Brief Explanation of Public Act
<u>3 §§ 5 & 6 5559</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 454 & 455</u>	Requires DSS to seek approvals to establish a basic health program (BHP) under certain circumstances
<u>3 § 8</u>	<u>26-68 § 456</u>	Requires OPM to hold stakeholder engagement meetings when developing a Connecticut Option program or a BHP
<u>3 § 12</u>	<u>26-68 § 457</u> , as amended by <u>26-76 § 102</u>	Establishes a safety net mitigation working group to review significant changes in federal law or policy that impact public health, social services, or other safety net programs
<u>3 § 17</u>	<u>26-68 § 459</u>	Extends legislative review requirements to any proposed Medicaid state plan amendment to provide medical assistance through a Medicaid managed care organization
<u>326</u>	<u>26-72 § 12</u>	Requires DSS to report annually, until 2032, certain information on HUSKY C, including the number of people found ineligible for exceeding the asset limit
<u>481</u>	<u>26-103</u>	Establishes new requirements for Medicaid nursing homes owned by investment entities, such as requiring them to have a surety bond in favor of the state equal to 90-days of operating costs, if the entity has a beneficial interest in the home
<u>495</u>	<u>26-72 § 5</u>	Broadens the Long-Term Care Planning Committee's required study topics; changes the committee's reporting requirements and leadership selection process
<u>498</u>	<u>26-12 § 17</u>	Requires DSS to file quarterly reports on the fiscal intermediary that provides payroll and other services for DSS's self-directed home care programs

Table 1 (continued)

501 § 1	26-72 § 14	Changes the Wheelchair Repair and Advisory Council's membership; transfers administrative duties to OHA; requires council members to serve two-year terms at the pleasure of the appointing authority
501 § 2	26-72 § 15	Requires authorized DSS-contracted wheelchair dealers to report monthly, rather than annually, on wheelchair repairs; requires authorized wheelchair dealers to notify consumers of their rights to timely repair
5040 § 1	26-68 § 442	Sets a standardized \$269 monthly cash benefit for State Administered General Assistance beneficiaries (subject to future cost of living adjustments), and in doing so, eliminates prior law's temporary payment reduction for certain transitional people
5040 § 2	26-68 § 443	Adds antiretroviral drugs to the Medicaid preferred drug list, allowing the state to negotiate supplemental rebates with drug manufacturers for these drugs
5040 § 3	26-68 § 444	Authorizes the DSS commissioner to periodically review available data on the clinical effectiveness of Medicaid-covered outpatient prescription drugs that are projected to exceed, after factoring in rebates, (1) a per-consumer net cost of \$25,000 per year or (2) an aggregate annual cost to the program of \$10 million
5040 § 5 (Governor's Bill)	26-68 § 445	Specifies that for nurses, the wage increases for nursing home employees authorized under PA 25-168 are only for those who solely provide direct patient care
5041 § 1	26-68 § 453	Sets requirements for OPM's study of a Connecticut Option program; authorizes OPM to direct state agencies to implement federal waivers under certain circumstances
5041 §§ 2 & 3	26-68 §§ 460 & 461	Requires health benefit plans to make certain generic and biosimilar drugs available on formularies with lower cost sharing relative to the respective reference drug product already on the formulary

Table 1 (continued)

5041 § 4	26-68 § 263	Establishes a tax credit for two income years against certain state business taxes for qualified small businesses that offer employees an Individual Coverage Health Reimbursement Arrangement
5041 § 6	26-68 § 462	Allows, rather than requires, Covered Connecticut to cover nonemergency medical transportation and dental services; removes references to OHS; allows DSS to seek federal approval for a BHP under certain circumstances
5487 § 1	26-149 § 4 26-151 § 2	Establishes ASL working groups to make recommendations on teacher certification standards, among other things
5487 § 2	26-72 § 11	Increases the amount the Department of Aging and Disability Services can spend in a fiscal year on community inclusion services for deaf and blind adults
5561 § 7 (File 445)	26-76 § 40	Requires the DSS commissioner to adjust Medicaid reimbursement rates for optometrists so that they equal ophthalmologist rates and seek federal approval to amend the Medicaid state plan if needed to do so
5561 § 14 (File 445)	26-68 § 448	Requires DSS to amend the Medicaid state plan to increase reimbursement rates for licensed family planning clinics
INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE		
Bill #	Public Act #	Brief Explanation of Public Act
341	26-56 § 1	Reduces the time period after receiving a clean claim during which a contracting health organization may take adverse action on a health care provider's payment due to an administrative or eligibility error; specifies how the organization must notify the provider of this
341	26-56 § 1	Requires a contracting health organization to notify a health care provider of its appeal determination within a specified number of days after receiving the provider's appeal of an adverse payment action, otherwise the appeal must be construed in the provider's favor

Table 1 (continued)

<u>342 §§ 1 & 2</u> (Senate "A")	<u>26-68 §§ 215 & 216</u> , as amended by <u>26-76 § 35</u>	Requires hospitals, health systems, health carriers, and utilization review companies to notify patients that infusion and injection services provided at hospital-based off-campus infusion centers may cost more than those provided at non-hospital-based infusion centers
<u>342 § 3</u> (Senate "A")	<u>26-68 § 218</u>	Specifies that health carriers and health plan administrators may use utilization management to encourage enrollees to use certain hospitals or health systems
<u>342 § 4</u> (Senate "A")	<u>26-68 § 217</u> , as amended by <u>26-76 § 41</u>	Requires a study of (1) cost-lowering methods for outpatient infusions and injections performed at hospital-based off-campus infusion centers, (2) patient protections for certain stop-loss insurance policies, and (3) surprise billing for ground ambulance services
<u>5262 § 10</u>	<u>26-68 § 159</u>	Eliminates the requirement for OHS to annually study and report on how certain laws (such as limitations on removing drugs from formularies) impact the costs of health insurance plans
<u>5378 § 8</u>	<u>26-68 § 453</u>	Provides for a study by OPM on the feasibility of establishing a Connecticut Option program to lower health insurance premiums and expand health care coverage
JUDICIARY		
Bill #	Public Act #	Brief Explanation of Public Act
<u>91 §§ 1 & 2</u>	<u>26-14 §§ 3 & 4</u>	Expands the circumstances under which there is an investigation into a peace officer's use of physical force on someone resulting in the person's death or the death of a person in a peace officer's custody by including when the use of force is done by, or the person is in custody of, any federal law enforcement officer
<u>91 § 3</u>	<u>26-14 § 7</u>	Prohibits peace officers from taking someone into custody for a civil offense in a state or municipal facility or certain other locations such as schools, hospitals, and houses of worship ("protected areas") without a judicial warrant for the person

Table 1 (continued)

<u>262</u>	<u>26-81 § 13</u>	Increases, from \$5 to \$10, how much a notary may charge to perform a notarial act
<u>297 § 1</u>	<u>26-92 § 7</u>	Requires the court to order specific steps a parent must take to maintain custody when the court orders a protective supervision arrangement
<u>476 § 2</u>	<u>26-92 § 32</u>	Requires DOC to disburse the remaining balance in a person's Inmate Trust Fund account upon the person's release or by mail within two weeks after the release if it did not have at least two weeks' notice of the release date
<u>506</u>	<u>26-100 §§ 63 & 64</u>	Expands the crimes of 1st and 2nd degree criminal mischief to include intentionally damaging certain tangible property of others, including public services and systems
<u>5308</u>	<u>26-130 § 8</u>	Expands the timeframe in which people sentenced to prison may file post-conviction petitions for DNA testing of evidence and explicitly allows petition denials to be appealed
<u>5428</u>	<u>26-14 §§ 3 & 5</u>	Generally, limits the inspector general's (IG) investigations of custody deaths to those in a peace officer's, law enforcement agency's, or DOC's physical custody; requires the IG's report on a death to have recommendations for the law enforcement agency involved, instead of for the IG's office; allows the IG to issue a report on the death of someone in DOC's physical custody; specifies that the IG's authority to issue subpoenas to compel attendance and testimony applies to investigative depositions
<u>5435</u>	<u>26-45 § 11</u>	Generally allows firearms, deadly weapons, and ammunition held under a risk protection order to be destroyed after two years instead of one year

Table 1 (continued)

5436 § 3	26-41 § 2	Considers as “rate of fire enhancement” (such as bump stocks) any device, component, part, combination of parts, attachment, or accessory that (1) is unnecessary for a firearm but increases the rate of fire when built in, installed, or attached to it or (2) forcibly resets a firearm’s trigger; imposes the existing penalty for related violations (generally a class D felony)
5448 § 1	26-14 § 11	Limits the circumstances under which a federal officer, employee, or agent has immunity when prosecuted for an offense based on an action taken under color of law
5448 § 2	26-14 § 12	Extends to all peace officers, including federal law enforcement, the ban on hiring police officers who (1) were dismissed for malfeasance or serious misconduct or (2) resigned or retired during an investigation for this conduct
5449	26-14 §§ 13-15 , as amended by 26-76 § 46	Sets various conditions and restrictions on how law enforcement agencies, other public agencies, and private vendors under contract with them may use ALPR systems or associated data, and sets related reporting requirements
5564	26-130 § 9	Requires the court to allow certain crime victims to make a statement for the record before any proceedings to dismiss or nolle a charge against the defendant (for sexual assault crimes, for example); requires state’s attorneys to notify victims who provide their contact information of the proceedings
LABOR & PUBLIC EMPLOYEES		
Bill #	Public Act #	Brief Explanation of Public Act
92	26-1 §§ 50-57	Limits the extent to which employers at certain warehouse distribution centers can require their employees to meet production quotas; sets quota-related notice requirements, prohibitions, and record keeping requirements; allows aggrieved employees to bring a civil action in Superior Court

Table 1 (continued)

<u>269</u>	<u>26-68 § 374</u>	Requires the DOL commissioner to study the rights of workers
<u>271 § 3</u>	<u>26-68 § 196</u>	Allows the DOL commissioner to negotiate and compromise with reimbursing employers who owe payments to the unemployment system under certain circumstances
<u>271 §§ 5-8</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 197-200</u>	Eliminates the Employment Security Advisory Board
<u>345 § 1</u>	<u>26-12 § 32</u>	Requires employers to provide reasonable break times for an employee to express breast milk for the employee's nursing child or to breastfeed in the workplace
<u>345 § 2</u>	<u>26-68 § 201</u>	Specifies that "hours worked" in state overtime law includes time employees spend in employer-required security screenings
<u>345 § 3</u>	<u>26-68 § 202</u>	Creates a taskforce to study workplace heat safety standards and make related recommendations
<u>348</u>	<u>26-12 § 7</u>	Extends "portal-to-portal" workers' compensation coverage to public works department employees under certain circumstances
<u>350</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 203 & 204</u>	Increases the (1) per diem rate for members of the State Board of Labor Relations and (2) compensation for members of the Board of Mediation and Arbitration
<u>351</u>	<u>26-12 § 8</u>	Sets a standard of review for when a tenured public school teacher is terminated; changes who makes the final decision when a tenured teacher is under consideration for termination and requests a hearing; changes the court's review standards for appeals of tenured teacher termination decisions
<u>352</u>	<u>26-12 § 6</u>	Prohibits the DOL commissioner from counting tips as part of the state's minimum wage requirement for employees of cannabis establishments, dispensaries, or producers

Table 1 (continued)

<u>356</u>	<u>26-68 § 373</u>	Requires employers on prevailing wage projects to (1) keep daily attendance records of the workers on a covered project and (2) submit them weekly to the agency overseeing the project
<u>358</u>	<u>26-12 § 9</u> , as amended by <u>26-68 § 247</u>	Requires entities that take over certain service contracts at covered locations, contract out certain services, or receive property in a sale or transfer to retain employees from a prior contractor for at least 90 days
<u>435 §§ 1-13</u>	<u>26-15 §§ 7-14</u>	Generally requires those who use automated employment-related decision technology to give employees and job applicants certain disclosures and written notices; specifies that an employer's use of this technology is not a defense against employment discrimination complaints
<u>443</u>	<u>26-12 § 10</u>	Allows surviving family members of correction officers and certain investigators killed in the line of duty to receive benefits from the Fallen Hero Fund
<u>5275</u>	<u>26-12 §§ 55 & 56</u>	Makes certain construction contractors jointly and severally liable for any unpaid wages owed to a subcontractor's employees
<u>5277</u>	<u>26-12 § 48</u>	Requires the DOL commissioner and chief manufacturing officer to post information about veterans' benefits and services on the DOL and Office of Manufacturing websites
<u>5280</u>	<u>26-68 § 195</u>	Reinstates an unemployment insurance tax non-charge for employers using a shared work program during an extended benefit or high unemployment period
<u>5382</u>	<u>26-12 § 50</u>	Requires the state comptroller to study health insurance coverage for retired police officers and firefighters in the state
<u>5386</u>	<u>26-12 § 38</u>	Requires certain employers to create a guide for employees on pay codes for overtime and pay differentials
<u>5387</u>	<u>26-12 § 2</u>	Expands the wage disclosure law by, among other things, requiring an employer to include a position's wage or wage range and a general description of the position's benefits in job advertisements

Table 1 (continued)

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT		
Bill #	Public Act #	Brief Explanation of Public Act
<u>359</u>	<u>26-76 § 25</u>	Allows Hartford to delay implementing its 2026 revaluation by one year
<u>447</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 224 & 225</u>	Creates a \$50,000 property tax exemption (a “homestead exemption”) that municipalities may give for primary residences
<u>5285</u>	<u>26-114 § 11</u>	Caps the taxable value of motor vehicles that are 20 years old or older
<u>5286</u>	<u>26-12 § 62</u>	Expands optional municipal property tax abatement for surviving spouses of first responders who died in the line of duty to also cover their domestic partners
<u>5498 § 503</u> (House “A”)	<u>26-76 § 22</u>	Temporarily allows certain municipalities to start the charter revision process if a simple majority (rather than two-thirds majority) of the appointing authority votes in favor of it
<u>5500</u>	<u>26-68 § 174</u>	Allows municipalities and water pollution control authorities to waive delinquent interest on amounts owed by certain common interest communities in court appointed receiverships
<u>5501</u>	<u>26-68 § 347</u>	Expands the purposes for which municipalities may use Town Aid Road grants by allowing them to buy certain equipment
<u>5504</u>	<u>26-76 § 23</u>	Doubles the maximum assessment the Cornfield Point Association is allowed to impose on property owners, capping it at \$1,000 per improved lot and \$200 per unimproved lot
<u>5507 §§ 1, 2 & 4-6</u>	<u>26-7</u>	Replaces references to “accessory apartment” with “accessory dwelling unit” (ADU); extends provisions on zoning regulations’ treatment of as-of-right ADUs to municipalities that exercise zoning authority under a special act; extends the law on utility providers’ treatment of ADU utility connections, such as water and sewer connections, to cover investor-owned water companies

Table 1 (continued)

PUBLIC HEALTH		
Bill #	Public Act #	Brief Explanation of Public Act
<u>93 §§ 1, 2 & 5</u>	<u>26-13 §§ 23, 24 & 27</u>	Starting in October 2027, expands DPH's nurse's aide registry to include nurse's aides working at any DPH-licensed health care institution, rather than just nursing homes, and makes related changes to expand DPH's disciplinary authority against nurse's aides who commit misconduct
<u>93 §§ 3 & 4</u>	<u>26-13 §§ 25 & 26</u>	Allows DPH to take disciplinary action against a practitioner for failing to fulfill any material obligation resulting from the receipt of DPH funding under the Rural Health Transformation (RHT) program; exempts RHT program funding to the tribes from the general requirement that they first adopt an Employment Rights Code before the state can provide funds that assist a tribe engaged in a commercial enterprise
<u>93 §§ 6 & 7</u>	<u>26-13 §§ 28-30</u>	Enters Connecticut into the Recognition of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact, no earlier than one year after a neighboring state enters it; correspondingly requires DPH to institute a criminal background check requirement for EMS personnel (starting one year after a neighboring state enters the compact)
<u>190 § 1</u>	<u>26-13 § 9</u>	Under specified conditions, allows DPH to issue a temporary veterinarian permit to graduates of foreign veterinary schools, allowing them to work under direct supervision of certain state-licensed veterinarians
<u>194</u>	<u>26-13 §§ 15-17</u>	Starting in the 2027-28 school year, generally requires public high school students, before participating in interscholastic sports, to have an annual athletics health assessment to screen for serious cardiac conditions

Table 1 (continued)

239	26-13 § 11	Requires hospitals, when conducting a community health needs assessment, to (1) consider including the nutritional needs of community members with diabetes and congestive heart failure and (2) include these community members' nutrition needs in their assessment to the extent federal law allows
364	26-13 § 32	Requires (1) DESPP to develop guidance on extreme hot and cold weather protocols and improvements to public communication of these protocols and (2) DOH to develop ways to improve outreach to unhoused people during extreme weather events
365	26-13 § 12	Generally allows hospitals to (1) administer buprenorphine or methadone to someone who comes to the emergency department with symptoms of opioid use disorder without requiring them to be admitted; (2) offer these patients an opioid antagonist prescription when discharged and refer them to outpatient care; and (3) give these patients, when discharged, either a bridging dose or last dose letter (depending on the medication)
450	26-3	Requires DPH to establish immunization standards of care for all Connecticut residents, instead of only children and adolescents, and makes various other changes related to state immunization requirements, programs, and insurance coverage
451	26-13 § 14	Establishes a 20-member advisory council on Chimeric Antigen Receptor T-cell therapy and other gene therapies to advise and make recommendations to DPH and other state agencies related to these therapies; requires the council to report annually to the legislature
5045	26-68 §§ 226-246	Starting in July 2027, replaces the health care facility CON program with a new program within DPH, with final decision-making authority vested in a panel of the DPH and DSS commissioners and OPM secretary or their designees

Table 1 (continued)

<u>5167</u>	<u>26-13 § 31</u>	Allows health authorities to disclose private residential or semipublic well testing results to eligible parties without getting the DPH commissioner's approval, and expands the allowable recipients to include certain nearby property owners
<u>5168</u> (File 37)	<u>26-13 §§ 19-22</u>	Sets requirements for (1) health care providers, after receiving consent, to share safety plans with schools for minors who received at least 12 consecutive days of inpatient behavioral health care treatment and (2) school districts and school boards related to the transmission of these plans
<u>5322</u>	<u>26-13 § 13</u>	Establishes a 20-member endometriosis working group in the Legislative Department to evaluate and make recommendations on endometriosis diagnosis, treatment, research, education, and public awareness
<u>5389</u>	<u>26-13 § 18</u>	Requires UConn's Health Disparities Institute to (1) develop a menopause toolkit for specified providers who diagnose or treat people with symptoms of menopause, perimenopause, and post-menopause; (2) distribute the toolkit to providers by June 1, 2028; and (3) distribute a revised toolkit by January 1, 2029, based on provider feedback
<u>5399</u>	<u>26-13 §§ 33-36</u>	Under certain conditions, allows dentists to administer cosmetic injections on patients' faces; eliminates the requirement that dentists remain on-site when delegating to dental assistants the taking of dental x-rays; and adds to the list of topics from which dentists must select for certain hours of continuing education
<u>5510</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 183-185</u> , as amended by <u>26-76 §§ 77 & 78</u>	Allows DPH to impose civil penalties on people who provide professional services without a required DPH license or certificate; similarly allows DPH to impose civil penalties, and sets criminal penalties, for someone who opens, manages, or operates a health care facility without a required DPH license or certificate

Table 1 (continued)

<u>5511</u>	<u>26-68 § 194</u>	Explicitly allows DPH to enforce compliance with public health laws, regulations, permits, and orders through an agreed settlement or consent order
<u>5513 § 1</u>	<u>26-68 § 186</u>	Allows DPH to appoint an embalmer to dispose of an abandoned dead body or abandoned cremated remains after a funeral director or embalmer has voluntarily or improperly relinquished control of the body or remains in violation of state law
<u>5513 § 2</u>	<u>26-68 § 187</u>	Requires DPH, upon request, to issue death records electronically regardless of when the death occurred (with the social security number generally redacted)
<u>5513 § 3</u>	<u>26-68 § 188</u>	Makes a technical change to terminology in a public health statute
<u>5513 §§ 4-6</u>	<u>26-68 § 189-191</u>	Makes minor and clarifying changes to laws related to the state's food code
<u>5513 § 7</u>	<u>26-68 § 192</u>	Makes changes to the state's medical orders for life-sustaining treatment (MOLST) program, such as providing that a MOLST under the program is invalid unless it is completed on a DPH form and executed in line with statutory and regulatory requirements
<u>5513 § 8</u>	<u>26-68 § 193</u>	Allows DPH's contracted program for HIV pre- and post-exposure prophylaxis drug assistance to also provide funding for associated lab testing and related costs
<u>5517 § 111</u>	<u>26-38 § 3</u>	Requires DESPP to coordinate with the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS), in addition to DPH, when deploying behavioral health professionals after mass shootings
<u>5517 §§ 112-114</u>	<u>26-38 §§ 4-6</u>	Updates the membership requirements of certain DMHAS advisory boards to reflect current practice
<u>5517 §§ 115-132</u>	<u>26-38 §§ 7-24</u>	Repeals a statutory provision establishing catchment area councils and makes related technical changes, removing statutory references to them (in practice, their functions are now performed by Regional Behavioral Health Action Organizations)

Table 1 (continued)

5519 §§ 1-5	26-142 §§ 21-25	Creates a three-phase DPH certification program for subsurface sewage enforcement officers who review plans, conduct inspections, investigate complaints, and perform similar work related to subsurface sewage disposal systems (septic systems)
5519 § 6	26-142 § 26	Allows DPH to certify apprentice operators for water treatment plants, water distribution systems, or small water systems
PUBLIC SAFETY & SECURITY		
Bill #	Public Act #	Brief Explanation of Public Act
372	26-45 § 14	Authorizes a Civil Air Patrol youth camp
402	26-139 § 1	Disqualifies people who retired or separated in good standing from a police department or federal law enforcement agency from being hired to provide armed security services in public schools if they are prohibited, by law, from being hired by a law enforcement unit
408 §§ 2 & 3 (Senate "A")	26-100 §§ 60 & 61	Requires the state fire marshal to create a two-year risk-based residential fire inspection pilot program and creates a working group to advise her on developing and implementing it
408 § 4 (Senate "A")	26-100 § 62	Imposes new restrictions on juice bars and requirements on cafe permittees, including allowing local ordinances to prohibit or regulate juice bar operations
411	26-12 § 53	Requires State Police assigned to a DOT highway construction project to be paid at a rate set under a DOT-DESPP agreement instead of amounts set by the DAS commissioner
5046 §§ 1-3	26-12 §§ 69-71	Expands the current tuition waiver for active National Guard members enrolled at CT State, Connecticut State Colleges and Universities (CSCU), or UConn to include all mandatory fees
5046 §§ 1-4	26-12 §§ 69, 70 & 72	Requires CT State and CSCU to waive tuition for eligible first responders; requires CHFA to develop and administer a mortgage assistance program for these first responders

Table 1 (continued)

5046 § 6	26-12 § 73	Establishes a task force to study recruitment and retention issues for public safety personnel
5400	26-45 § 15	Specifies, for the purposes of the law requiring police patrol vehicles to use dashboard cameras, what a police patrol vehicle is not
5403	26-12 §§ 11 & 12	Requires non-state public employers to provide partnership plan coverage to survivors of certain unpaid volunteer firefighters; generally allows the surviving spouse and dependent children of a state marshal, correction officer, investigator, or unpaid volunteer firefighter who died performing their duties to participate in the state employee health insurance plan
5404	26-12 § 49	Requires the DAS commissioner to create a job classification for part-time fire service instructors in DESPP's Division of Fire Services Administration
5454	26-41 § 12	Requires local handgun permitting authorities to refund \$70 to applicants if the authority does not act within statutorily established timeframes
5455	26-12 §§ 41-43	Requires UConn's president to establish a recruitment and retention program for the UConn special police forces and fire department and submit annual reports on it; expands the objective job-based criteria she must use to establish classifications for UConn's special police forces
5456	26-68 § 63	Authorizes the DESPP commissioner to appoint an additional deputy commissioner
5459	26-41 §§ 10 & 11 , as amended by 26-68 §§ 162 & 163	Allows anyone to deliver or surrender any firearm or ammunition they possess to DESPP or a local police department according to specific procedures
TRANSPORTATION		
Bill #	Public Act #	Brief Explanation of Public Act
234	26-24 § 17	Allows 16- and 17-year-old learner's permit holders to have their sibling as a passenger during driving instruction if the sibling also holds a learner's permit

Table 1 (continued)

<u>236</u>	<u>26-130 § 5</u>	Establishes a statutory registration process for smaller air navigation facilities; makes it a class C misdemeanor to operate these facilities in violation of the registration requirement and applies this penalty to existing law's prohibition on operating a larger facility without the Connecticut Airport Authority first approving and licensing it; increases the air navigation facility licensure or renewal fee from \$150 to \$300
<u>237 § 1</u> <u>5032 § 16</u>	<u>26-21 § 5</u>	Requires DOT to (1) make available \$4 million of its FY 27 rail operations appropriation for the Shore Line East rail line and (2) spend \$3 million of this funding in FY 27 to increase service on this line
<u>237 §§ 3 & 7</u>	<u>26-21 §§ 6 & 9</u>	Specifies that notice requirements for DOT mass transit fare changes only apply to fare increases and modifies how the department must advertise the notice
<u>237 § 4</u>	<u>26-21 §§ 7 & 8</u> , as amended by <u>26-76 § 64</u>	Establishes a grant program for school boards to purchase bus passes and distribute them to students at no charge
<u>237 § 5</u>	<u>26-21 § 8</u>	Requires the Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) to provide free bus passes for veterans
<u>412 §§ 1 & 2</u>	<u>26-24 §§ 18 & 19</u>	Requires car dealers to include their dealer conveyance fee or processing fee, if any, in the price they advertise or quote for a motor vehicle and prohibits them from pre-printing vehicle orders and invoices with the dealer conveyance fee amount
<u>412 §§ 3-6</u>	<u>26-24 §§ 20-25</u>	Limits the circumstances under which manufacturers may require car dealers to substantially alter their dealerships; establishes new requirements for consumer data sharing between dealers and manufacturers; requires manufacturers to compensate dealers when used vehicles in their inventories are recalled and the necessary parts or remedies are not available within a specified timeframe

Table 1 (continued)

414	26-63 §§ 15 & 16	Delays the due date for a UConn final report on its carbon sequestration study and requires it to also submit the study results and related recommendations to DOT; requires the DOT commissioner to consider the study's results and determine whether DOT's vegetation management guidelines need to be accordingly revised
415	26-63 §§ 17-21	Requires transportation network companies (TNCs, such as Uber and Lyft) to implement certain additional rider and driver safety measures; increases the frequency of criminal history records checks for TNC drivers; requires TNCs to adopt a service animal nondiscrimination policy
416 §§ 1 & 2	26-63 §§ 22 & 23	Requires DOT to give priority under the traffic signal modernization grant program to projects located in heavily congested areas, rather than to applications submitted by two or more municipalities
416 § 3	26-63 § 24	Requires 90%, rather than 100%, of school buses to be zero-emission by 2040 and sets an interim deadline for distressed municipalities; eliminates the requirement that environmental justice communities fully transition to zero-emission school buses by 2030; requires municipalities to submit plans outlining how they will meet the zero-emission requirements
416 § 3	26-63 § 24 26-124 § 4	Modifies zero-emission school bus grant program requirements, including broadening its purposes beyond providing matching funds for federal grant applications
416 § 5	26-63 § 25	Requires the Connecticut Port Authority executive director, or his designee, to convene a working group to study, among other things, policies to encourage the use of freight rail, sea lanes, and ports to transport goods in the state

Table 1 (continued)

5235	26-63 §§ 26 & 27	Establishes a notice requirement generally applicable to DOT's (or their agents' or contractors') removal of encampments located on a state highway right-of-way; requires the DOT and mental health and addiction services commissioners to study and make recommendations on best practices and standards related to addressing these encampments
5237 §§ 1-5	26-24 §§ 7-11	Generally subjects records relating to vessels and vessel titles to the privacy protections that apply to personal information in DMV records under existing law
5237 §§ 6-8	26-24 §§ 12-14	Specifies that "commissioner" refers only to the motor vehicles commissioner or a DMV employee acting on his behalf in several statutes governing background check requirements
5237 § 9	26-24 § 15	Requires DMV, before issuing a replacement title, to check the VIN against certain databases
5237 § 10	26-24 § 16	Requires the governor to proclaim the second Monday in July each year as Accessible Parking Awareness Day
5238	26-63 § 35	Creates a task force to study and make recommendations to the Transportation Committee on parking access challenges for home health agencies delivering services in residential settings
5461	26-63 §§ 28 & 29	Eliminates the fee for getting or renewing a marine pilot license
5462 § 2	26-63 § 30	Increases the fine, from \$150 per offense to \$300 per offense, for violating certain requirements under existing law related to motor vehicle mechanical equipment, primarily involving mufflers and exhaust pipes

Table 1 (continued)

5463	26-63 §§ 31-34	Updates and reorganizes the distracted driving law to reflect current device and vehicle technology; generally prohibits driving while a video is visible to the driver in the normal driving position, regardless of the technology used to play the video; prohibits (1) holding or supporting a mobile electronic device with any part of the body while driving and (2) failing to maintain a proper lookout
5465	26-24 §§ 29-42	Makes numerous changes related to nonconsensual towing and unclaimed vehicle disposal, including by (1) creating a web portal to help the public find towed vehicles; (2) allowing garage owners to begin the vehicle disposal process 30 days after a tow (rather than 15 or 45 days, depending on vehicle value); (3) requiring vehicles less than 15 model years old (rather than those worth more than \$1,500) to be initially offered at public auction; and (4) limiting the timeframe for filing consumer complaints about police-ordered towing
VETERANS' & MILITARY AFFAIRS		
Bill #	Public Act #	Brief Explanation of Public Act
280	26-35 §§ 3 & 15	Makes minor and technical changes to two veterans' and military affairs-related statutes
281	26-35 § 6	Establishes a task force to study ways to encourage nursing homes to contract with the federal Department of Veterans Affairs (U.S. DVA) and increase the availability of nursing homes to care for eligible veterans
283	26-35 §§ 7-9	Increases, from 60 to 90 days, the grace period for certain motor vehicle-related renewals or testing for certain armed forces members; requires DMV to waive fees for original driver's licenses or identity cards for certain veterans
376	26-35 § 1	Requires the state DVA commissioner to post warnings about fraudulent claims agents and links to related resources on DVA's website

Table 1 (continued)

<u>377</u>	<u>26-35 § 18</u>	Exempts from the state income tax compensation for honor guard detail at a veteran's funeral
<u>5294 § 2</u>	<u>26-35 § 14</u>	Makes a technical change to clarify that the National Guard includes the Army National Guard
<u>5294 § 3</u> (Raised Bill)	<u>26-35 § 11</u>	Changes provisions on appointments to the governor's military staff
<u>5294 §§ 4 & 5</u> (Raised Bill)	<u>26-35 §§ 12 & 13</u>	Renames the state military training facility in Niantic
<u>5296</u>	<u>26-35 § 19</u>	Exempts from the state income tax pay a National Guard member receives for being ordered out for active service
<u>5298</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 297 & 342</u>	Requires DECD to administer a grant program for municipalities and certain nonprofits for capital expenditure projects to place or maintain war or veterans' memorials or monuments; authorizes up to \$2 million in bonding for the program
<u>5408</u>	<u>26-35 § 3</u>	Expands the Office of Advocacy and Assistance manager's annual training for certain individuals to cover all veterans, instead of only women veterans, add a part on how to help women veterans on their unique issues, and include information about charitable or social service organizations
<u>5409 §§ 1, 2 & 5</u>	<u>26-12 §§ 35-37</u>	Requires various agencies to take certain actions to help current and former armed forces or National Guard members transition into the civilian workforce, such as DOL updating employment information on its website, the Military Department having an annual job fair, and DECD developing legislative recommendations for promoting employment
<u>5412</u>	<u>26-35 §§ 21 & 22</u>	Creates the "Military Department Emergency Response" account, administered by the adjutant general, to cover state costs during certain emergencies; transfers certain funds to the account
<u>5413</u>	<u>26-35 §§ 4 & 5</u>	Creates a Veterans Dental Care Access Program to help eligible veterans receive certain dental services

Table 1 (continued)

5414	26-35 § 10	Requires the state early intervention system (Birth-to-Three program) to take steps to provide a minimally disruptive transition to this state's services of a military-connected child
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Table 2: Bill Tracking by Bill Number

Bill #	Public Act #	Brief Explanation of Public Act
<u>3 §§ 5 & 6 5559</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 454 & 455</u>	Requires the Department of Social Services (DSS) to seek approvals to establish a basic health program (BHP) under certain circumstances
<u>3 § 8</u>	<u>26-68 § 456</u>	Requires the Office of Policy and Management (OPM) to hold stakeholder engagement meetings when developing a Connecticut Option program or a BHP
<u>3 § 12</u>	<u>26-68 § 457</u> , as amended by <u>26-76 § 102</u>	Establishes a safety net mitigation working group to review significant changes in federal law or policy that impact public health, social services, or other safety net programs
<u>3 § 17</u>	<u>26-68 § 459</u>	Extends legislative review requirements to any proposed Medicaid state plan amendment to provide medical assistance through a Medicaid managed care organization
<u>6 § 4</u>	<u>26-26 § 23</u>	Requires (1) notification to the Department of Children and Families (DCF) when people convicted of certain crimes against children are released from prison and (2) DCF to determine if any children who are subject to a protective order, or who receive protective services, live at the address where the convicted person lives and, if so, to conduct safety visits
<u>8 §§ 1, 2 & 4 85 §§ 8-15 & 37</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 340, 341 & 344</u>	Requires the Connecticut Higher Education Supplemental Loan Authority (CHESLA) to create a Supplemental Graduate Loan Program to provide loans to eligible graduate students; authorizes general obligation bonds for the program; increases the amount of CHESLA's bonds backed by a special capital reserve fund that can be outstanding at any time

Table 2 (continued)

<u>84 §§ 1 & 2</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 265 & 266</u>	Decouples the state corporation business tax from the federal bonus depreciation deduction for qualified production property, starting with the 2026 income year; delays, by one year, conforming the state corporation business tax to recent changes to the federal deduction for domestic research and experimental expenditures and disallows the retroactive application of these changes for the 2022 to 2025 income years; generally exempts corporation business taxpayers from penalties and interest on any additional tax due to these changes
<u>84 § 3</u>	<u>26-68 § 267</u>	Creates an income tax credit for qualifying small businesses that incur eligible research and design (R&D) spending in Connecticut, capping the credit each tax year at \$1.5 million per business and \$25 million in total
<u>84 § 4</u>	<u>26-68 § 256</u>	Adjusts the volatility cap threshold for FY 26 and resets it for FY 27
<u>84 § 5</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 257 & 258</u>	Modifies the amount of FY 26 General Fund resources the state comptroller must transfer to be accounted for as FY 27 General Fund revenue
<u>84 § 6</u>	<u>26-68 § 260</u>	Decreases the required transfers from the General Fund to the Municipal Revenue Sharing Fund
<u>84 §§ 7 & 8</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 269 & 270</u>	Shifts the funding source for municipal aid grants to Ledyard and Montville in FY 27 from Other Expenses to the Mashantucket Pequot and Mohegan Fund
<u>84 § 31</u>	<u>26-68 § 262</u>	Increases the exemption amount for “sales tax free week” from \$100 to \$300 and adds backpacks and cleated shoes to the list of exempt items
<u>84 §§ 34-44</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 357-362</u> , as amended by <u>26-76 §§ 18-20 & 82</u>	Restructures the state’s hospital provider tax on inpatient and outpatient hospital services
<u>84 § 44</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 60 & 61</u>	Repeals the 6% tax on nursing home and intermediate care facility revenue scheduled to take effect on July 1, 2026, and instead retains the current user fee on these facilities

Table 2 (continued)

<u>85</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 289-308, 310-339, 343 & 348</u>	Authorizes new state general obligation bonds for FY 27 for various state capital projects and grant programs, and adjusts several current bond authorizations and bond programs
<u>86 § 1</u>	<u>26-15 § 36</u>	Requires the state's chief data officer to review executive branch agencies' inventory of high value data and publish anything useful for artificial intelligence (AI) systems, machine learning, and other statistical means of data analysis
<u>86 § 2</u>	<u>26-15 § 3</u>	Requires the Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD) commissioner to (1) develop a plan to establish an AI regulatory sandbox program and (2) submit legislative implementation recommendations to the governor and General Assembly
<u>86 § 3</u>	<u>26-15 §§ 4-6</u>	Requires an AI companion operator to include certain protocols for specified user expressions (such as self-harm) and give certain notices to a user disclosing that the user is communicating with an AI companion
<u>91 §§ 1 & 2</u>	<u>26-14 §§ 3 & 4</u>	Expands the circumstances under which there is an investigation into a peace officer's use of physical force on someone resulting in the person's death or the death of a person in a peace officer's custody by including when the use of force is done by, or the person is in custody of, any federal law enforcement officer
<u>91 § 3</u>	<u>26-14 § 7</u>	Prohibits peace officers from taking someone into custody for a civil offense in a state or municipal facility or certain other locations such as schools, hospitals, and houses of worship ("protected areas") without a judicial warrant for the person
<u>92</u>	<u>26-1 §§ 50-57</u>	Limits the extent to which employers at certain warehouse distribution centers can require their employees to meet production quotas; sets quota-related notice requirements, prohibitions, and record keeping requirements; allows aggrieved employees to bring a civil action in Superior Court

Table 2 (continued)

93 §§ 1, 2 & 5	26-13 §§ 23, 24 & 27	Starting in October 2027, expands the Department of Public Health's (DPH) nurse's aide registry to include nurse's aides working at any DPH-licensed health care institution, rather than just nursing homes, and makes related changes to expand DPH's disciplinary authority against nurse's aides who commit misconduct
93 §§ 3 & 4	26-13 §§ 25 & 26	Allows DPH to take disciplinary action against a practitioner for failing to fulfill any material obligation resulting from the receipt of DPH funding under the Rural Health Transformation (RHT) program; exempts RHT program funding to the tribes from the general requirement that they first adopt an Employment Rights Code before the state can provide funds that assist a tribe engaged in a commercial enterprise
93 §§ 6 & 7	26-13 §§ 28-30	Enters Connecticut into the Recognition of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact, no earlier than one year after a neighboring state enters it; correspondingly requires DPH to institute a criminal background check requirement for EMS personnel (starting one year after a neighboring state enters the compact)
118	26-100 § 26	Prohibits making, selling, or distributing a baby food product containing toxic heavy metal amounts above federal Food and Drug Administration limits and requires certain related product testing and labeling
119	26-100 §§ 27 & 28	Extends the statutory used vehicle warranty requirements to all vehicles that are less than 10 years old, regardless of price, rather than those that cost \$3,000 or more and are less than seven years old; requires these vehicles to have the required express warranty for at least 60 days or 3,000 miles, whichever ends first
124	26-74 § 2	Prohibits anyone appointed as a municipal agent for aging (previously referred to as "municipal agent for elderly persons") from having certain conflicts of interest

Table 2 (continued)

<u>133</u>	<u>26-78 § 2</u>	Establishes the Connecticut-India Trade Commission to, among other things, advance bilateral trade and investment between Connecticut and India
<u>145</u>	<u>26-65</u>	Outlines certain rapid response actions and associated timeframes to eradicate, contain, or control hydrilla or other aquatic invasive plant species; requires the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) to expedite permitting for rapid response actions for hydrilla and other qualifying aquatic invasive species
<u>149</u>	<u>26-75 §§ 8-22</u>	Makes various changes to the Department of Agriculture's (DoAg) Farmers' Market Nutrition Program to conform with current department practices and align with program modernizations; repeals two defunct programs (the Connecticut Quality Seal and Apple Marketing Order programs); eliminates the requirement that DoAg adopt regulations for the farm transition grant program
<u>152</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 1 & 463</u>	Requires the Department of Housing (DOH) to make \$250,000 of its FY 27 Rental Assistance Program General Fund appropriation available for inspecting housing units' compliance with state and local codes
<u>190 § 1</u>	<u>26-13 § 9</u>	Under specified conditions, allows DPH to issue a temporary veterinarian permit to graduates of foreign veterinary schools, allowing them to work under direct supervision of certain state-licensed veterinarians
<u>215</u>	<u>26-94 § 1</u>	Specifies ways in which someone may show their interest in their property so it is not presumed abandoned, including through activity directed by an owner for another account at a banking or financial organization that is the holder of the account with the subject property

Table 2 (continued)

<u>216</u>	<u>26-79 § 1</u>	Sets the minimum interest rate that the state treasurer may accept for investment-related services under the Community Bank and Credit Union Initiative; requires that the treasurer select participating banks and credit unions through an application process rather than a competitive bidding process
<u>217</u>	<u>26-79 § 2</u>	Requires mortgagees to accept payments on the outstanding principal of residential property loans that are beyond the loans' required monthly payments
<u>219</u>	<u>26-79 § 3</u>	Explicitly authorizes the Department of Banking (DOB) commissioner, after an investigation, to order a civil penalty of up to \$100,000 for certain violations of the security deposit laws
<u>221</u>	<u>26-149 §§ 2 & 3</u>	Revises and expands the aspiring educators scholarship program
<u>223</u>	<u>26-149 § 6</u>	Makes permanent two health care subsidy programs for paraeducators employed by school boards and expands them to include charter school paraeducators
<u>224</u> <u>226 §§ 24 & 25</u>	<u>26-1 §§ 94 & 95</u>	Generally exempts ballots from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act; specifies that a referendum includes questions submitted to voters under a home rule ordinance
<u>226 §§ 1-4, 6 & 7</u>	<u>26-1 §§ 69-73, 75 & 76</u> , as amended by <u>26-42 § 62</u>	Makes various changes to the state's early voting laws and moderator requirements, including (1) requiring early voting ballots to be inserted into tabulators instead of envelopes, (2) changing the contents of and procedures for filing early voting and same-day election registration location certifications, and (3) changing the contents of reports concerning moderators for these locations
<u>226 § 5</u>	<u>26-1 § 74</u>	Extends the period before a primary prohibiting an unaffiliated voter from participating in a party's primary if the voter registers by mail and seeks to affiliate themselves with that party

Table 2 (continued)

<u>226 § 8</u>	<u>26-1 § 77</u>	Requires officials in all municipalities, instead of only those in municipalities with multiple voting districts, to meet to correct errors in election night returns and submit amended returns if necessary
<u>226 § 9</u>	<u>26-1 § 78</u>	Requires specified entities to notify the secretary of the state (SOTS) about certain election-related actions and violations
<u>226 §§ 10-13</u>	<u>26-1 §§ 79-82</u> , as amended by <u>26-42 §§ 65-68</u>	Creates a process for candidates to correct endorsement certificates and certificates of candidacies for nomination; authorizes SOTS to make corrections and keep a record of them
<u>226 §§ 14-18</u>	<u>26-1 §§ 83-87</u>	Adjusts the requirements for filing ballots with SOTS for review and approval
<u>226 § 20</u>	<u>26-1 § 89</u>	Authorizes SOTS to initiate declaratory judgment actions on behalf of aggrieved electors if within the 90 days before an election or primary
<u>226 § 21</u>	<u>26-1 § 90</u> , as amended by <u>26-42 § 10</u>	Requires moderators to keep and transmit to SOTS a log of absentee ballots that are rejected due to the voter failing to (1) sign the required statement on the return envelope or (2) provide sufficient identification required by federal law
<u>226 §§ 22 & 23</u>	<u>26-1 §§ 91-93</u> , as amended by <u>26-42 §§ 35 & 36</u>	Requires recanvassing all voting districts when a discrepancy occurs, not just the district with the discrepancy; modifies the procedures for communicating with the moderator during a recanvass
<u>226 § 26</u>	<u>26-1 §§ 96 & 97</u>	Limits the disclosure and use of voter registration information and subjects violators of the use restrictions to fines; explicitly authorizes SOTS to adopt regulations regarding the use of voter registration information
<u>229 § 1</u>	<u>26-53 § 4</u>	Adds various requirements for the geolocation system of electronic wagering platforms that are exclusively used for fantasy contests, selling lottery draw game tickets, or keno
<u>229 § 2</u> (Raised Bill)	<u>26-53 § 5</u>	Sets deadlines for the Department of Consumer Protection (DCP) to require testing and certification of a lottery gaming system, lottery draw game, or keno

Table 2 (continued)

<u>230 § 1</u>	<u>26-100 § 22</u>	Defines “retailer” for the purposes of certain out-of-state alcoholic liquor shippers’ permits
<u>230 §§ 2 & 3</u>	<u>26-100 §§ 23 & 24</u>	Limits placarding requirements for certain liquor permittees
<u>230 § 5</u>	<u>26-100 § 25</u>	Requires alcoholic liquor permittees or backers (who furnish an age statement form to escape liability) to have acted reasonably in serving or giving alcohol to a minor
<u>231 §§ 1 & 4</u>	<u>26-8 §§ 44 & 52</u>	Generally sets a 60-day deadline to dispose of medical marijuana and cannabis samples that fail testing
<u>232</u>	<u>26-64 § 20</u> , as amended by <u>26-100 § 58</u>	Prohibits a streaming video service from transmitting to a consumer commercial advertising audio that is louder than the video it accompanies
<u>234</u>	<u>26-24 § 17</u>	Allows 16- and 17-year-old learner’s permit holders to have their sibling as a passenger during driving instruction if the sibling also holds a learner’s permit
<u>236</u>	<u>26-130 § 5</u>	Establishes a statutory registration process for smaller air navigation facilities; makes it a class C misdemeanor to operate these facilities in violation of the registration requirement and applies this penalty to existing law’s prohibition on operating a larger facility without the Connecticut Airport Authority first approving and licensing it; increases the air navigation facility licensure or renewal fee from \$150 to \$300
<u>237 § 1</u> <u>5032 § 16</u>	<u>26-21 § 5</u>	Requires the Department of Transportation (DOT) to (1) make available \$4 million of its FY 27 rail operations appropriation for the Shore Line East rail line and (2) spend \$3 million of this funding in FY 27 to increase service on this line
<u>237 §§ 3 & 7</u>	<u>26-21 §§ 6 & 9</u>	Specifies that notice requirements for DOT mass transit fare changes only apply to fare increases and modifies how the department must advertise the notice
<u>237 § 4</u>	<u>26-21 §§ 7 & 8</u> , as amended by <u>26-76 § 64</u>	Establishes a grant program for school boards to purchase bus passes and distribute them to students at no charge
<u>237 § 5</u>	<u>26-21 § 8</u>	Requires the Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) to provide free bus passes for veterans

Table 2 (continued)

<u>239</u>	<u>26-13 § 11</u>	Requires hospitals, when conducting a community health needs assessment, to (1) consider including the nutritional needs of community members with diabetes and congestive heart failure and (2) include these community members' nutrition needs in their assessment to the extent federal law allows
<u>262</u>	<u>26-81 § 13</u>	Increases, from \$5 to \$10, how much a notary may charge to perform a notarial act
<u>269</u>	<u>26-68 § 374</u>	Requires the Department of Labor (DOL) commissioner to study the rights of workers
<u>271 § 3</u>	<u>26-68 § 196</u>	Allows the DOL commissioner to negotiate and compromise with reimbursing employers who owe payments to the unemployment system under certain circumstances
<u>271 §§ 5-8</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 197-200</u>	Eliminates the Employment Security Advisory Board
<u>280</u>	<u>26-35 §§ 3 & 15</u>	Makes minor and technical changes to two veterans' and military affairs-related statutes
<u>281</u>	<u>26-35 § 6</u>	Establishes a task force to study ways to encourage nursing homes to contract with the federal Department of Veterans Affairs (U.S. DVA) and increase the availability of nursing homes to care for eligible veterans
<u>283</u>	<u>26-35 §§ 7-9</u>	Increases, from 60 to 90 days, the grace period for certain motor vehicle-related renewals or testing for certain armed forces members; requires the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to waive fees for original driver's licenses or identity cards for certain veterans
<u>284</u>	<u>26-74 § 3</u>	Raises the upper population limit for purposes of the law requiring certain multifamily housing projects with age-restricted units to have a back-up generator if they are in towns of a certain size
<u>287</u>	<u>26-74 § 4</u>	Requires home health aide agencies to provide free personal protective equipment to their employees
<u>288 §§ 1 & 2</u>	<u>26-74 §§ 5 & 6</u> , as amended by <u>26-76 § 43</u>	Creates an exception to the nursing home bed moratorium and modifies related certificate of need (CON) criteria

Table 2 (continued)

<u>288 § 3</u>	<u>26-74 § 7</u>	Establishes a separate auditing process for nursing homes' minimum data set information for acuity-based Medicaid payments
<u>289</u>	<u>26-68 § 446</u>	Creates an enhanced Medicaid performance payment for nursing homes that improve their quality-based metrics; requires the DSS to phase in the federal Patient Driven Payment Model; establishes an enhanced payment for nursing homes whose payor mix is more than 75% Medicaid residents
<u>297 § 1</u>	<u>26-92 § 7</u>	Requires the court to order specific steps a parent must take to maintain custody when the court orders a protective supervision arrangement
<u>302 § 1</u>	<u>26-79 § 4</u>	Eliminates the requirement that Connecticut banks with a "satisfactory" Community Reinvestment Act rating submit a plan for meeting community banking needs when applying to establish a branch location in the state or convert a limited branch to a branch, or vice versa
<u>302 § 2</u>	<u>26-79 § 5</u>	Generally shortens the timeframe for the banking commissioner to notify banks applying to establish a Connecticut or out-of-state branch of his determination before the applications are deemed approved
<u>311 § 2</u> (Raised Bill)	<u>26-1 § 40</u>	Limits the circumstances under which schools may give out-of-school suspension to younger students
<u>312</u>	<u>26-149 §§ 4 & 5</u> <u>26-151 § 2</u>	Creates American Sign Language (ASL) working groups to make recommendations for curriculum guidance and teacher certification standards
<u>323 § 1</u>	<u>26-66 § 1</u>	Reduces the quorum requirement for the nine-member Citizen's Ethics Advisory Board from six to five
<u>323 § 2</u>	<u>26-66 § 2</u>	Amends the Code of Ethics for Public Officials by adjusting disclosure requirements for tax-sheltered annuity retirement plans on public statements of financial interest
<u>326</u>	<u>26-72 § 12</u>	Requires DSS to report annually, until 2032, certain information on HUSKY C, including the number of people found ineligible for exceeding the asset limit

Table 2 (continued)

<u>341</u>	<u>26-56 § 1</u>	Reduces the time period after receiving a clean claim during which a contracting health organization may take adverse action on a health care provider's payment due to an administrative or eligibility error; specifies how the organization must notify the provider of this
<u>341</u>	<u>26-56 § 1</u>	Requires a contracting health organization to notify a health care provider of its appeal determination within a specified number of days after receiving the provider's appeal of an adverse payment action, otherwise the appeal must be construed in the provider's favor
<u>342 §§ 1 & 2</u> (Senate "A")	<u>26-68 §§ 215 & 216</u> , as amended by <u>26-76 § 35</u>	Requires hospitals, health systems, health carriers, and utilization review companies to notify patients that infusion and injection services provided at hospital-based off-campus infusion centers may cost more than those provided at non-hospital-based infusion centers
<u>342 § 3</u> (Senate "A")	<u>26-68 § 218</u>	Specifies that health carriers and health plan administrators may use utilization management to encourage enrollees to use certain hospitals or health systems
<u>342 § 4</u> (Senate "A")	<u>26-68 § 217</u> , as amended by <u>26-76 § 41</u>	Requires a study of (1) cost-lowering methods for outpatient infusions and injections performed at hospital-based off-campus infusion centers, (2) patient protections for certain stop-loss insurance policies, and (3) surprise billing for ground ambulance services
<u>345 § 1</u>	<u>26-12 § 32</u>	Requires employers to provide reasonable break times for an employee to express breast milk for the employee's nursing child or to breastfeed in the workplace
<u>345 § 2</u>	<u>26-68 § 201</u>	Specifies that "hours worked" in state overtime law includes time employees spend in employer-required security screenings
<u>345 § 3</u>	<u>26-68 § 202</u>	Creates a taskforce to study workplace heat safety standards and make related recommendations

Table 2 (continued)

348	26-12 § 7	Extends “portal-to-portal” workers’ compensation coverage to public works department employees under certain circumstances
350	26-68 §§ 203 & 204	Increases the (1) per diem rate for members of the State Board of Labor Relations and (2) compensation for members of the Board of Mediation and Arbitration
351	26-12 § 8	Sets a standard of review for when a tenured public school teacher is terminated; changes who makes the final decision when a tenured teacher is under consideration for termination and requests a hearing; changes the court’s review standards for appeals of tenured teacher termination decisions
352	26-12 § 6	Prohibits the DOL commissioner from counting tips as part of the state’s minimum wage requirement for employees of cannabis establishments, dispensaries, or producers
356	26-68 § 373	Requires employers on prevailing wage projects to (1) keep daily attendance records of the workers on a covered project and (2) submit them weekly to the agency overseeing the project
358	26-12 § 9 , as amended by 26-68 § 247	Requires entities that take over certain service contracts at covered locations, contract out certain services, or receive property in a sale or transfer to retain employees from a prior contractor for at least 90 days
359	26-76 § 25	Allows Hartford to delay implementing its 2026 revaluation by one year
364	26-13 § 32	Requires (1) the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection (DESPP) to develop guidance on extreme hot and cold weather protocols and improvements to public communication of these protocols and (2) DOH to develop ways to improve outreach to unhoused people during extreme weather events

Table 2 (continued)

365	26-13 § 12	Generally allows hospitals to (1) administer buprenorphine or methadone to someone who comes to the emergency department with symptoms of opioid use disorder without requiring them to be admitted; (2) offer these patients an opioid antagonist prescription when discharged and refer them to outpatient care; and (3) give these patients, when discharged, either a bridging dose or last dose letter (depending on the medication)
372	26-45 § 14	Authorizes a Civil Air Patrol youth camp
376	26-35 § 1	Requires the state DVA commissioner to post warnings about fraudulent claims agents and links to related resources on DVA's website
377	26-35 § 18	Exempts from the state income tax compensation for honor guard detail at a veteran's funeral
380 § 1 (APP JF)	26-68 § 382	Requires the Office of Higher Education to establish a program to support the creation of new promise programs throughout the state, with a goal of eight by January 1, 2031, and prioritization given towards ones serving students in alliance districts
389	26-76 § 53	Changes how the DOL must allocate youth employment and training funds to the regional workforce development boards from specified percentages to a need-based formula
394	26-42 §§ 44-56	Implements risk-limiting audits (RLAs) for state elections; establishes an RLA pilot program for municipal elections
395	26-42 §§ 71 & 72	Establishes a task force to study achieving 100% voter participation; allows municipalities to conduct pilot programs to achieve this
402	26-139 § 1	Disqualifies people who retired or separated in good standing from a police department or federal law enforcement agency from being hired to provide armed security services in public schools if they are prohibited, by law, from being hired by a law enforcement unit

Table 2 (continued)

<u>408 §§ 2 & 3</u> (Senate “A”)	<u>26-100 §§ 60 & 61</u>	Requires the state fire marshal to create a two-year risk-based residential fire inspection pilot program and creates a working group to advise her on developing and implementing it
<u>408 § 4</u> (Senate “A”)	<u>26-100 § 62</u>	Imposes new restrictions on juice bars and requirements on cafe permittees, including allowing local ordinances to prohibit or regulate juice bar operations
<u>411</u>	<u>26-12 § 53</u>	Requires State Police assigned to a DOT highway construction project to be paid at a rate set under a DOT-DESPP agreement instead of amounts set by the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) commissioner
<u>412 §§ 1 & 2</u>	<u>26-24 §§ 18 & 19</u>	Requires car dealers to include their dealer conveyance fee or processing fee, if any, in the price they advertise or quote for a motor vehicle and prohibits them from pre-printing vehicle orders and invoices with the dealer conveyance fee amount
<u>412 §§ 3-6</u>	<u>26-24 §§ 20-25</u>	Limits the circumstances under which manufacturers may require car dealers to substantially alter their dealerships; establishes new requirements for consumer data sharing between dealers and manufacturers; requires manufacturers to compensate dealers when used vehicles in their inventories are recalled and the necessary parts or remedies are not available within a specified timeframe
<u>414</u>	<u>26-63 §§ 15 & 16</u>	Delays the due date for a UConn final report on its carbon sequestration study and requires it to also submit the study results and related recommendations to DOT; requires the DOT commissioner to consider the study’s results and determine whether DOT’s vegetation management guidelines need to be accordingly revised
<u>415</u>	<u>26-63 §§ 17-21</u>	Requires transportation network companies (TNCs, such as Uber and Lyft) to implement certain additional rider and driver safety measures; increases the frequency of criminal history records checks for TNC drivers; requires TNCs to adopt a service animal nondiscrimination policy

Table 2 (continued)

<u>416 §§ 1 & 2</u>	<u>26-63 §§ 22 & 23</u>	Requires DOT to give priority under the traffic signal modernization grant program to projects located in heavily congested areas, rather than to applications submitted by two or more municipalities
<u>416 § 3</u>	<u>26-63 § 24</u>	Requires 90%, rather than 100%, of school buses to be zero-emission by 2040 and sets an interim deadline for distressed municipalities; eliminates the requirement that environmental justice communities fully transition to zero-emission school buses by 2030; requires municipalities to submit plans outlining how they will meet the zero-emission requirements
<u>416 § 3</u>	<u>26-63 § 24</u> <u>26-124 § 4</u>	Modifies zero-emission school bus grant program requirements, including broadening its purposes beyond providing matching funds for federal grant applications
<u>416 § 5</u>	<u>26-63 § 25</u>	Requires the Connecticut Port Authority executive director, or his designee, to convene a working group to study, among other things, policies to encourage the use of freight rail, sea lanes, and ports to transport goods in the state
<u>421</u>	<u>26-12 §§ 44-47</u> , as amended by <u>26-68 § 206</u>	Creates a process with notice requirements, deadlines, and penalties for public utility pole users and owners to transfer their wires and equipment from existing poles to replacement poles and then remove double utility poles
<u>435 §§ 1-13</u>	<u>26-15 §§ 7-14</u>	Generally requires those who use automated employment-related decision technology to give employees and job applicants certain disclosures and written notices; specifies that an employer's use of this technology is not a defense against employment discrimination complaints
<u>443</u>	<u>26-12 § 10</u>	Allows surviving family members of correction officers and certain investigators killed in the line of duty to receive benefits from the Fallen Hero Fund
<u>447</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 224 & 225</u>	Creates a \$50,000 property tax exemption (a "homestead exemption") that municipalities may give for primary residences

Table 2 (continued)

450	26-3	Requires DPH to establish immunization standards of care for all Connecticut residents, instead of only children and adolescents, and makes various other changes related to state immunization requirements, programs, and insurance coverage
451	26-13 § 14	Establishes a 20-member advisory council on Chimeric Antigen Receptor T-cell therapy and other gene therapies to advise and make recommendations to DPH and other state agencies related to these therapies; requires the council to report annually to the legislature
463 § 1 5533 § 1	26-42 § 57 , as amended by 26-76 § 36	Prohibits, with certain exceptions, (1) law enforcement from knowingly being within 250 feet of an elections site or being within this perimeter to check voter qualifications and (2) anyone from wearing a mask or other covering within 250 feet of an election site; establishes criminal and disenfranchisement penalties for certain violations
463 §§ 3-5 5533 §§ 3-5	26-42 §§ 58-60	Creates or modifies various election-related penalties including (1) increasing the penalty for subsequent offenses of an existing prohibition against harassing election workers to interfere with their election day duties, (2) expanding existing harassment protections to assistant town clerks, (3) creating a penalty for an election official giving a third party a tabulator or tabulator part when unauthorized, and (4) penalizing several acts concerning absentee ballot drop boxes
463 § 6 5533 § 6	26-42 § 33	Requires municipal officials and election workers to notify the attorney general and SOTS of a subpoena, warrant, or other request for or to inspect certain election records
463 § 7 5533 § 7	26-42 § 34	Authorizes the attorney general to seek certain court relief to prevent or resolve interference in elections for federal offices

Table 2 (continued)

<u>463 § 8</u> <u>5533 § 8</u>	<u>26-42 § 61</u>	Expands the circumstances by which the attorney general may investigate, intervene in, and seek certain forms of relief to include when anyone has established a policy that deprives or interferes with another person's civil rights; specifies that interfering with another person's civil rights (or attempting to) includes doing so by physical obstruction
<u>471 § 1</u>	<u>26-12 § 54</u> , as amended by <u>26-68 §§ 371 & 372</u>	Requires the DOL commissioner, when determining the prevailing wages required on a public works project, to determine the portion that covers payments, contributions, and member benefits at the journeyman rate
<u>476 § 2</u>	<u>26-92 § 32</u>	Requires the Department of Correction (DOC) to disburse the remaining balance in a person's Inmate Trust Fund account upon the person's release or by mail within two weeks after the release if it did not have at least two weeks' notice of the release date
<u>481</u>	<u>26-103</u>	Establishes new requirements for Medicaid nursing homes owned by investment entities, such as requiring them to have a surety bond in favor of the state equal to 90-days of operating costs, if the entity has a beneficial interest in the home
<u>486</u>	<u>26-68 § 182</u>	Changes who must perform criminal history checks for state employees with access to federal tax information
<u>491 § 1</u>	<u>26-42 § 1</u>	Expands absentee voting to all eligible voters, instead of requiring voters to have a specified excuse to vote
<u>491 §§ 2, 3 & 5</u>	<u>26-42 §§ 2, 3 & 5</u>	Makes various changes to absentee balloting sets and related materials including (1) consolidating the inner and outer envelopes into one "return envelope," (2) expanding the information included on the envelope, (3) requiring a privacy sleeve, and (4) switching from serial numbers to unique ballot identification numbers
<u>491 § 4</u>	<u>26-42 § 4</u>	Allows DOC employees assisting incarcerated voters with their absentee ballots to provide the employing facility's contact information instead of their personal contact information

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<u>491 § 6</u>	<u>26-42 § 6</u>	Deems an absentee ballot as cast when properly signed by the voter and accepted by the town clerk; requires town clerks to retrieve ballots from absentee ballot drop boxes on each business day instead of each weekday
<u>491 § 7</u>	<u>26-42 § 7</u>	Establishes procedures for voters to cure their absentee ballots if they failed to sign the required statement on their return envelopes
<u>491 §§ 7 & 10</u>	<u>26-42 §§ 7 & 10</u>	Modifies deadlines for sorting and processing absentee ballots
<u>491 § 8</u>	<u>26-42 § 8</u>	Requires SOTS to develop and install absentee ballot tracking software
<u>495</u>	<u>26-72 § 5</u>	Broadens the Long-Term Care Planning Committee's required study topics; changes the committee's reporting requirements and leadership selection process
<u>498</u>	<u>26-12 § 17</u>	Requires DSS to file quarterly reports on the fiscal intermediary that provides payroll and other services for DSS's self-directed home care programs
<u>501 § 1</u>	<u>26-72 § 14</u>	Changes the Wheelchair Repair and Advisory Council's membership; transfers administrative duties to the Office of the Healthcare Advocate (OHA); requires council members to serve two-year terms at the pleasure of the appointing authority
<u>501 § 2</u>	<u>26-72 § 15</u>	Requires authorized DSS-contracted wheelchair dealers to report monthly, rather than annually, on wheelchair repairs; requires authorized wheelchair dealers to notify consumers of their rights to timely repair
<u>506</u>	<u>26-100 §§ 63 & 64</u>	Expands the crimes of 1st and 2nd degree criminal mischief to include intentionally damaging certain tangible property of others, including public services and systems
<u>515</u>	<u>26-68 § 274</u> , as amended by <u>26-76 § 59</u>	Requires OPM to submit a workforce and productivity gap contribution plan to the General Assembly
<u>5030 § 1</u>	<u>26-68 § 62</u>	Requires DMV to issue "Pizza State" commemorative license plates to increase public awareness of the state's pizza-making tradition and provide funding to Connecticut Foodshare

Table 2 (continued)

5030 § 2	26-68 § 63	Authorizes the DESPP commissioner to appoint an additional deputy commissioner
5030 § 3	26-68 § 64	Decreases how often OPM distributes funds from the Hispanic-American Veterans of Connecticut account, from quarterly to annually
5030 § 4	26-68 § 65	Removes an obsolete provision that generally gave OPM responsibility for determining state energy policy
5030 § 5	26-68 § 66	Requires the DPH commissioner to quarterly certify to OPM the (1) amount of fees collected for certified marriage and death certificates in the previous quarter and (2) neglected cemetery account's balance as of the last day of the previous quarter
5030 § 6	26-68 § 67	Removes the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities from DOL
5030 §§ 7-101	26-68 §§ 68-161 , as amended by 26-76 §§ 76 & 96	Eliminates the Office of Health Strategy (OHS) and generally transfers its powers, duties, and functions to DPH, OPM, DSS, and OHA
5032 §§ 1, 22 & 23	26-68 §§ 1, 486 & 487 , as amended by 26-76 § 63	Renames the "Governor's Guards account" as the "Governor's Foot Guards account" and requires money in the Governor's Guards horse account to be allocated and accounted for by each unit (First and Second Company)
5032 § 12	PA 26-68 § 476	Requires the Office of Legislative Management to give legislative employees the same FY 27 wage terms as required under a collective bargaining agreement with other state employees (a 2.5% general wage increase, plus annual increments and top step lump sum payments)
5032 § 16	26-68 § 480	Designates for Shore Line East \$3 million and \$4 million, respectively, from the Department of Transportation's (DOT) FYs 26 and 27 Rail Operations appropriations
5032 § 20	26-68 § 484	Requires the DESPP commissioner, Police Officer Standards and Training Council (POST), and the Southern Connecticut State University (SCSU) president to jointly report to the legislature on the status of the social work and law enforcement project at SCSU and its associated expenditures

Table 2 (continued)

<u>5032 § 21</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 386 & 485</u> , as amended by <u>26-76 § 84</u>	Requires the student loan ombudsman to report to the legislature on the ombudsman's office's 2025 and 2026 activities
<u>5032 § 24</u>	<u>26-68 § 470</u> , as amended by <u>26-76 § 56</u>	Modifies the student qualification and reporting requirements under the Finish Line Scholars Program
<u>5032 § 26</u>	<u>26-68 § 488</u>	Expands the Mashantucket Pequot reservation lands that are eligible for payment in lieu of taxes (PILOT) payments to reimburse municipalities for forgone property tax revenue
<u>5032 § 27</u>	<u>26-68 § 489</u>	Codifies a stipend for General Assembly interns
<u>5033 § 5</u> (Governor's Bill)	<u>26-68 § 378</u>	Extends to FY 27 the requirement to proportionately reduce grants for health services given to private school students under state law
<u>5034 §§ 1-3</u> (Governor's Bill)	<u>26-139 §§ 7-9</u>	Establishes an incentive program for school districts that limits broad assessments and increases teacher competency in the assessment process; requires the State Department of Education (SDE) to develop and give guidance to school boards on reducing discretionary local student assessments; allows SDE to ask the U.S. Department of Education to amend the state's approved plan under the federal Every Student Succeeds Act
<u>5034 § 4</u> (Governor's Bill)	<u>26-139 § 10</u>	Requires SDE to (1) redesign the state's high school mathematics pathways, (2) develop a list of professional development providers to support high quality mathematics instruction, (3) explore the feasibility of using MathConn, and (4) develop mathematics specialist guidelines
<u>5036 § 1</u>	<u>26-127 § 15</u>	Requires DAS to implement a smart solar permitting platform to automatically review applications for residential solar projects; requires municipalities to allow applications to be submitted through the DAS platform or through an alternative automated permitting platform; sets related reporting requirements

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<u>5037</u>	<u>26-15 § 39</u>	Limits a minor's ability to access portions of a social media platform that uses a personalized algorithm, including first requiring verification of the user's age and limiting the times when notifications with any personalized suggestions may be sent; requires platform operators to give minors certain warnings related to mental health; requires operators to disclose certain information for the previous calendar year
<u>5040 § 1</u>	<u>26-68 § 442</u>	Sets a standardized \$269 monthly cash benefit for State Administered General Assistance beneficiaries (subject to future cost of living adjustments), and in doing so, eliminates prior law's temporary payment reduction for certain transitional people
<u>5040 § 2</u>	<u>26-68 § 443</u>	Adds antiretroviral drugs to the Medicaid preferred drug list, allowing the state to negotiate supplemental rebates with drug manufacturers for these drugs
<u>5040 § 3</u>	<u>26-68 § 444</u>	Authorizes the DSS commissioner to periodically review available data on the clinical effectiveness of Medicaid-covered outpatient prescription drugs that are projected to exceed, after factoring in rebates, (1) a per-consumer net cost of \$25,000 per year or (2) an aggregate annual cost to the program of \$10 million
<u>5040 § 5</u> (Governor's Bill)	<u>26-68 § 445</u>	Specifies that for nurses, the wage increases for nursing home employees authorized under <u>PA 25-168</u> are only for those who solely provide direct patient care
<u>5041 § 1</u>	<u>26-68 § 453</u>	Sets requirements for OPM's study of a Connecticut Option program; authorizes OPM to direct state agencies to implement federal waivers under certain circumstances
<u>5041 §§ 2 & 3</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 460 & 461</u>	Requires health benefit plans to make certain generic and biosimilar drugs available on formularies with lower cost sharing relative to the respective reference drug product already on the formulary

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5041 § 4	26-68 § 263	Establishes a tax credit for two income years against certain state business taxes for qualified small businesses that offer employees an Individual Coverage Health Reimbursement Arrangement
5041 § 6	26-68 § 462	Allows, rather than requires, Covered Connecticut to cover nonemergency medical transportation and dental services; removes references to OHS; allows DSS to seek federal approval for a BHP under certain circumstances
5045	26-68 §§ 226-246	Starting in July 2027, replaces the health care facility CON program with a new program within DPH, with final decision-making authority vested in a panel of the DPH and DSS commissioners and OPM secretary or their designees
5046 §§ 1-3	26-12 §§ 69-71	Expands the current tuition waiver for active National Guard members enrolled at CT State, Connecticut State Colleges and Universities (CSCU), or UConn to include all mandatory fees
5046 §§ 1-4	26-12 §§ 69, 70 & 72	Requires CT State and CSCU to waive tuition for eligible first responders; requires Connecticut Housing Finance Authority (CHFA) to develop and administer a mortgage assistance program for these first responders
5046 § 6	26-12 § 73	Establishes a task force to study recruitment and retention issues for public safety personnel
5109	26-68 § 264	Replaces the state taxes on retail sales of cannabis plant material, cannabis edible products, and other cannabis with a single tax; increases the amount of cannabis tax revenue directed to the social equity and innovation account for FYs 27 and 28 and correspondingly reduces the amount directed to the General Fund for those years
5125	26-100 §§ 30-32	Generally prohibits ticket resellers from offering to sell entertainment event tickets they do not possess or have a contract to get; changes requirements for ticket price disclosures; prohibits the unauthorized use of websites with the name of a venue, event, or performer to sell tickets

Table 2 (continued)

<u>5128</u>	<u>26-64 §§ 17-19</u>	Gives consumers a property right and exclusive control over their biological samples that are given to a direct-to-consumer genetic testing company and their results; requires these companies to disclose certain policies and procedures to consumers and get a consumer's consent for various uses of their genetic data
<u>5147 § 1</u>	<u>26-68 § 397</u>	Lowers the reimbursement percentage cap on eligible costs a school board may receive for school construction grants from 100% to 95%
<u>5147 §§ 2-7</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 398-403</u>	Renames the School Building Projects Advisory Council as the School Safety and Security Infrastructure Advisory Council and revises its responsibilities
<u>5150 § 1</u>	<u>26-68 § 396</u>	Authorizes school construction grant commitments for the 2026 priority list
<u>5150 § 2</u>	<u>26-68 § 397</u>	Creates a new bonus of an additional 20% for any school district that increased enrollment by 20% or more over a 10-year period
<u>5152</u>	<u>26-124 §§ 11-14</u>	Expands the authority of the DEEP commissioner, state forest fire warden, and governor to limit activities across the state in specified ways to prevent wildfires
<u>5154</u>	<u>26-124 § 9</u>	Expands DEEP's authority to issue general permits by generally allowing it to do so for activities it can authorize by individual permit, if the activity causes minimal environmental effects
<u>5158</u>	<u>26-122 § 27</u>	Prohibits public higher education institutions from reducing the amount of financial aid awarded to a student who receives a Willis scholarship or federal Pell grant because the student receives a private scholarship unless (1) a student's total financial aid meets or exceeds the student's cost of attendance or (2) a student athlete requires a reduction to meet individual or team financial aid restrictions imposed by an athletic association or conference

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5162	26-68 § 309	Allows CHFA to use an existing bond authorization (1) to capitalize assistance issued under its Down Payment Assistance Program or (2) for its Emergency Mortgage Assistance Program (prior law only permitted the latter use)
5167	26-13 § 31	Allows health authorities to disclose private residential or semipublic well testing results to eligible parties without getting the DPH commissioner's approval, and expands the allowable recipients to include certain nearby property owners
5168 (File 37)	26-13 §§ 19-22	Sets requirements for (1) health care providers, after receiving consent, to share safety plans with schools for minors who received at least 12 consecutive days of inpatient behavioral health care treatment and (2) school districts and school boards related to the transmission of these plans
5210	26-51 § 1	Requires (1) certain entities and individuals to adopt written programs with standards on developing, implementing, and maintaining reasonable data security safeguards for customer information and (2) DOB licensees and Connecticut banks and credit unions to notify the department within three business days after a data security incident
5213	26-51 § 2	Requires DOB to study financial institutions' payroll processing methods and how long it takes payroll checks to clear
5218 § 1	26-12 § 8	Sets the standard of review for tenured public school teacher terminations
5218 § 2	26-12 § 1	Allows certain teachers and related employees to receive enhanced workers' compensation benefits if they are unable to work due to a physical or negligent assault while performing their work duties
5220 (Raised Bill)	26-1 § 61 26-68 § 176	Increases the State Properties Review Board's membership from six to eight and the compensation rates and limits of its members

Table 2 (continued)

5222 §§ 12 & 16 (File 183)	26-57 §§ 2 & 3	Makes minor changes to a required statement in funeral service contracts about the purchaser receiving notice from the escrow agent about the initial deposit; requires purchasers to sign another statement about receiving and reviewing a DCP fact sheet on funeral service contracts; creates a prepaid funeral service contract working group to study issues about these contracts and a guaranty fund
5224 (File 185)	26-100 §§ 13-21 & 69	Transfers responsibility for the Real Estate Guaranty Fund to DCP; specifies when interest accrues on awards from various guaranty funds; requires an applicant for an award from the Home Improvement Guaranty Fund to state that he or she made a good faith effort to collect what is owed before receiving a fund payment and changes certain repayment provisions
5227 §§ 1-6	26-100 §§ 34-36	Requires home improvement contractors that perform mold remediation to hold a certification and requires them to perform mold remediation according to certain industry standards
5228 (House "A")	26-100 § 33	Expands the requirements for e-cigarette dealer registrations and the circumstances in which DCP may deny a registration, including when a municipality already has one dealer for every 2,500 residents, and authorizes the DCP commissioner to impose civil penalties
5235	26-63 §§ 26 & 27	Establishes a notice requirement generally applicable to DOT's (or their agents' or contractors') removal of encampments located on a state highway right-of-way; requires the DOT and mental health and addiction services commissioners to study and make recommendations on best practices and standards related to addressing these encampments
5237 §§ 1-5	26-24 §§ 7-11	Generally subjects records relating to vessels and vessel titles to the privacy protections that apply to personal information in DMV records under existing law

Table 2 (continued)

5237 §§ 6-8	26-24 §§ 12-14	Specifies that “commissioner” refers only to the motor vehicles commissioner or a DMV employee acting on his behalf in several statutes governing background check requirements
5237 § 9	26-24 § 15	Requires DMV, before issuing a replacement title, to check the VIN against certain databases
5237 § 10	26-24 § 16	Requires the governor to proclaim the second Monday in July each year as Accessible Parking Awareness Day
5238	26-63 § 35	Creates a task force to study and make recommendations to the Transportation Committee on parking access challenges for home health agencies delivering services in residential settings
5244 § 1	26-122 § 4	Increases, from \$10 million to \$25 million, the cap on how much assistance DECD or Connecticut Innovations, Inc. can biennially award for a business project without legislative approval
5244 § 2	26-122 § 5	Allows certain employers to require promissory notes for fees an employer pays related to an employee’s federal H-1B visa
5248 § 5	26-127 §§ 17 & 18	Requires the Siting Council, when determining whether a public need exists for certain projects, to consider whether the project addresses anticipated future electric grid reliability needs, including the need for additional generation to maintain resource adequacy
5262 § 10	26-68 § 159	Eliminates the requirement for OHS to annually study and report on how certain laws (such as limitations on removing drugs from formularies) impact the costs of health insurance plans
5268	26-26 § 21 26-130 § 4	Permits DPH to release acknowledgment of parentage information to DCF
5275	26-12 §§ 55 & 56	Makes certain construction contractors jointly and severally liable for any unpaid wages owed to a subcontractor’s employees

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<u>5277</u>	<u>26-12 § 48</u>	Requires the DOL commissioner and chief manufacturing officer to post information about veterans' benefits and services on the DOL and Office of Manufacturing websites
<u>5280</u>	<u>26-68 § 195</u>	Reinstates an unemployment insurance tax non-charge for employers using a shared work program during an extended benefit or high unemployment period
<u>5285</u>	<u>26-114 § 11</u>	Caps the taxable value of motor vehicles that are 20 years old or older
<u>5286</u>	<u>26-12 § 62</u>	Expands optional municipal property tax abatement for surviving spouses of first responders who died in the line of duty to also cover their domestic partners
<u>5294 § 2</u>	<u>26-35 § 14</u>	Makes a technical change to clarify that the National Guard includes the Army National Guard
<u>5294 § 3</u> (Raised Bill)	<u>26-35 § 11</u>	Changes provisions on appointments to the governor's military staff
<u>5294 §§ 4 & 5</u> (Raised Bill)	<u>26-35 §§ 12 & 13</u>	Renames the state military training facility in Niantic
<u>5296</u>	<u>26-35 § 19</u>	Exempts from the state income tax pay a National Guard member receives for being ordered out for active service
<u>5298</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 297 & 342</u>	Requires DECD to administer a grant program for municipalities and certain nonprofits for capital expenditure projects to place or maintain war or veterans' memorials or monuments; authorizes up to \$2 million in bonding for the program
<u>5308</u>	<u>26-130 § 8</u>	Expands the timeframe in which people sentenced to prison may file post-conviction petitions for DNA testing of evidence and explicitly allows petition denials to be appealed
<u>5314</u>	<u>26-68 §§ 345 & 346</u>	Make various changes to the "Homes for CT" loan program, including changing the maximum interest rate participating lenders may charge under the program and authorizing CHFA to make grants to participating borrowers
<u>5315</u>	<u>26-51 § 3</u>	Sets up a 19-member working group to study consumer fraud and how to protect against it

Table 2 (continued)

5316	26-22 § 1	Prohibits hospitals from entering into sale-leaseback transactions beginning July 1, 2027
5317	26-51 § 4	Narrows the circumstances under which a creditor must give a mortgage loan applicant a plain language notice about flood insurance, generally to one-to-four family residential real property in the state
5319	26-68 § 267	Creates an income tax credit for qualifying small businesses that incur eligible R&D spending in Connecticut, capping the credit each tax year at \$1.5 million per business and \$25 million in total
5322	26-13 § 13	Establishes a 20-member endometriosis working group in the Legislative Department to evaluate and make recommendations on endometriosis diagnosis, treatment, research, education, and public awareness
5323 §§ 1-3 (File 380)	26-62 §§ 1, 2 & 4	Creates two working groups, one to develop recommendations on disordered eating, including recommending an evidence-based screening tool, and one for a statewide food education road map and model school nutrition curriculum; requires school-based health centers to give the screening tool to patients in grades 6 to 12 during their annual health assessment
5327	26-139 §§ 11-13	Revises the laws on disclosing certain misconduct-related information when hiring a prospective school employee who will have contact with children, such as (1) expanding the scope of what the applicant, employers, and SDE must disclose to include allegations currently under investigation and (2) requiring the applicant's written statement, and the forms that employers must complete, to have a disclosure of whether the applicant was or is facing an allegation involving the injury or risk of injury to, or impairing the morals of, a minor

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5330	26-101 §§ 3-5	Expands DEEP's traditionally non-harvested species conservation program to, among other things, implement the state's most recent federally approved wildlife action plan; creates a working group to determine how the program should be funded and implemented; requires any money donated to the state for the program to be allocated to it
5333 § 3 (Raised Bill)	26-12 § 64 , as amended by 26-68 § 253	Allows food service establishments and licensed seafood dealers to sell lobsters greater or less than lobster management area six minimum and maximum length requirements under certain conditions
5346	26-68 § 349	Allows the Community Investment Fund 2030 Board's appointed members to vote by proxy
5347	26-76 § 51	Requires the OPM secretary to establish a phased statewide language access implementation plan for executive branch agencies; sets annual reporting requirements to the legislature on the plan's implementation
5351	26-8 §§ 54 & 57	Makes several changes related to the Social Equity Council, including allowing it to conduct investigations and consolidating certain reporting requirements; allows certain replacements of an original backer for social equity applicants
5353	26-12 § 17	Requires DSS to file quarterly reports on the fiscal intermediary that provides payroll and other services for DSS's self-directed home care programs
5362 § 11	26-129 § 3	Makes a minor change to the law on off-street parking minimums (passed in the 2025 November Special Session housing legislation) to align the provision on setting parking minimums in conservation and traffic mitigation districts with one broadly limiting minimums for developments with fewer than 17 dwellings
5362 §§ 14 & 15	26-129 §§ 4 & 5	Sunsets the majority leaders' roundtable group on affordable housing on June 30, 2026, and makes conforming changes in the law on the Council on Housing Development

Table 2 (continued)

5378 § 8	26-68 § 453	Provides for a study by OPM on the feasibility of establishing a Connecticut Option program to lower health insurance premiums and expand health care coverage
5382	26-12 § 50	Requires the state comptroller to study health insurance coverage for retired police officers and firefighters in the state
5386	26-12 § 38	Requires certain employers to create a guide for employees on pay codes for overtime and pay differentials
5387	26-12 § 2	Expands the wage disclosure law by, among other things, requiring an employer to include a position's wage or wage range and a general description of the position's benefits in job advertisements
5389	26-13 § 18	Requires UConn's Health Disparities Institute to (1) develop a menopause toolkit for specified providers who diagnose or treat people with symptoms of menopause, perimenopause, and post-menopause; (2) distribute the toolkit to providers by June 1, 2028; and (3) distribute a revised toolkit by January 1, 2029, based on provider feedback
5399	26-13 §§ 33-36	Under certain conditions, allows dentists to administer cosmetic injections on patients' faces; eliminates the requirement that dentists remain on-site when delegating to dental assistants the taking of dental x-rays; and adds to the list of topics from which dentists must select for certain hours of continuing education
5400	26-45 § 15	Specifies, for the purposes of the law requiring police patrol vehicles to use dashboard cameras, what a police patrol vehicle is not
5403	26-12 §§ 11 & 12	Requires non-state public employers to provide partnership plan coverage to survivors of certain unpaid volunteer firefighters; generally allows the surviving spouse and dependent children of a state marshal, correction officer, investigator, or unpaid volunteer firefighter who died performing their duties to participate in the state employee health insurance plan

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5404	26-12 § 49	Requires the DAS commissioner to create a job classification for part-time fire service instructors in DESPP's Division of Fire Services Administration
5408	26-35 § 3	Expands the Office of Advocacy and Assistance manager's annual training for certain individuals to cover all veterans, instead of only women veterans, add a part on how to help women veterans on their unique issues, and include information about charitable or social service organizations
5409 §§ 1.2 & 5	26-12 §§ 35-37	Requires various agencies to take certain actions to help current and former armed forces or National Guard members transition into the civilian workforce, such as DOL updating employment information on its website, the Military Department having an annual job fair, and DECD developing legislative recommendations for promoting employment
5412	26-35 §§ 21 & 22	Creates the "Military Department Emergency Response" account, administered by the adjutant general, to cover state costs during certain emergencies; transfers certain funds to the account
5413	26-35 §§ 4 & 5	Creates a Veterans Dental Care Access Program to help eligible veterans receive certain dental services
5414	26-35 § 10	Requires the state early intervention system (Birth-to-Three program) to take steps to provide a minimally disruptive transition to this state's services of a military-connected child
5428	26-14 §§ 3 & 5	Generally, limits the inspector general's (IG) investigations of custody deaths to those in a peace officer's, law enforcement agency's, or DOC's physical custody; requires the IG's report on a death to have recommendations for the law enforcement agency involved, instead of for the IG's office; allows the IG to issue a report on the death of someone in DOC's physical custody; specifies that the IG's authority to issue subpoenas to compel attendance and testimony applies to investigative depositions

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5435	26-45 § 11	Generally allows firearms, deadly weapons, and ammunition held under a risk protection order to be destroyed after two years instead of one year
5436 § 3	26-41 § 2	Considers as “rate of fire enhancement” (such as bump stocks) any device, component, part, combination of parts, attachment, or accessory that (1) is unnecessary for a firearm but increases the rate of fire when built in, installed, or attached to it or (2) forcibly resets a firearm’s trigger; imposes the existing penalty for related violations (generally a class D felony)
5443 § 4	26-68 § 262	Increases the exemption amount for “sales tax free week” from \$100 to \$300 and adds backpacks to the list of exempt items
5448 § 1	26-14 § 11	Limits the circumstances under which a federal officer, employee, or agent has immunity when prosecuted for an offense based on an action taken under color of law
5448 § 2	26-14 § 12	Extends to all peace officers, including federal law enforcement, the ban on hiring police officers who (1) were dismissed for malfeasance or serious misconduct or (2) resigned or retired during an investigation for this conduct
5449	26-14 §§ 13-15 , as amended by 26-76 § 46	Sets various conditions and restrictions on how law enforcement agencies, other public agencies, and private vendors under contract with them may use automated license plate reader (ALPR) systems or associated data, and sets related reporting requirements
5454	26-41 § 12	Requires local handgun permitting authorities to refund \$70 to applicants if the authority does not act within statutorily established timeframes
5455	26-12 §§ 41-43	Requires UConn’s president to establish a recruitment and retention program for the UConn special police forces and fire department and submit annual reports on it; expands the objective job-based criteria she must use to establish classifications for UConn’s special police forces
5456	26-68 § 63	Authorizes the DESPP commissioner to appoint an additional deputy commissioner

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<u>5459</u>	<u>26-41 §§ 10 & 11</u> , as amended by <u>26-68 §§ 162 & 163</u>	Allows anyone to deliver or surrender any firearm or ammunition they possess to DESPP or a local police department according to specific procedures
<u>5461</u>	<u>26-63 §§ 28 & 29</u>	Eliminates the fee for getting or renewing a marine pilot license
<u>5462 § 2</u>	<u>26-63 § 30</u>	Increases the fine, from \$150 per offense to \$300 per offense, for violating certain requirements under existing law related to motor vehicle mechanical equipment, primarily involving mufflers and exhaust pipes
<u>5463</u>	<u>26-63 §§ 31-34</u>	Updates and reorganizes the distracted driving law to reflect current device and vehicle technology; generally prohibits driving while a video is visible to the driver in the normal driving position, regardless of the technology used to play the video; prohibits (1) holding or supporting a mobile electronic device with any part of the body while driving and (2) failing to maintain a proper lookout
<u>5465</u>	<u>26-24 §§ 29-42</u>	Makes numerous changes related to nonconsensual towing and unclaimed vehicle disposal, including by (1) creating a web portal to help the public find towed vehicles; (2) allowing garage owners to begin the vehicle disposal process 30 days after a tow (rather than 15 or 45 days, depending on vehicle value); (3) requiring vehicles less than 15 model years old (rather than those worth more than \$1,500) to be initially offered at public auction; and (4) limiting the timeframe for filing consumer complaints about police-ordered towing
<u>5470 § 1</u>	<u>26-63 § 24</u>	Eliminates the requirement that environmental justice communities fully transition to zero-emission school buses by 2030
<u>5472 § 1</u> (File 423)	<u>26-127 § 12</u>	Requires certain Siting Council certificate holders for electric generation or storage facilities to report major and minor safety incidents to the council

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5472 § 2 (File 423)	26-127 § 13	Allows the Siting Council to require applicants to provide emergency service training to local firefighters or other emergency services personnel; requires applicants for council approval to designate an emergency contact person for the facility
5472 § 3 (File 423)	26-127 § 14	Requires the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority to convene a working group on resuming energy generation service after a service shutoff at a generation or storage facility
5474	26-40 §§ 2 & 3	Requires DOC to (1) within available bond authorizations, implement or contract for an electronic health record system that, among other things, provides accessible records on the administration of medication and allows incarcerated people to digitally request medical care and (2) annually report on the implementation status of its health care services plan
5477 § 1	26-10 § 1	Makes changes to the standards for preventing, detecting, monitoring, and responding to sexual abuse in prisons and other correctional facilities by, among other things, adding the duty to intervene and specifying that certain specialized training includes trauma-informed care methods for sexual abuse victims
5477 § 6	26-70 § 12	Requires DOC to issue a request for proposals for a confidential crisis hotline so that correction officers and inmates can report sexual violence incidents
5478 §§ 1, 3 & 9	26-12 §§ 57-60	Requires (1) the UConn Board of Trustees and Board of Regents for Higher Education to develop an internship training program for businesses, higher education institutions to report on internships available through their career services offices, and (2) DAS to report on state agencies' internship programs
5487 § 1	26-149 § 4 26-151 § 2	Establishes ASL working groups to make recommendations on teacher certification standards, among other things

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5487 § 2	26-72 § 11	Increases the amount the Department of Aging and Disability Services can spend in a fiscal year on community inclusion services for deaf and blind adults
5498 § 503 (House “A”)	26-76 § 22	Temporarily allows certain municipalities to start the charter revision process if a simple majority (rather than two-thirds majority) of the appointing authority votes in favor of it
5500	26-68 § 174	Allows municipalities and water pollution control authorities to waive delinquent interest on amounts owed by certain common interest communities in court appointed receiverships
5501	26-68 § 347	Expands the purposes for which municipalities may use Town Aid Road grants by allowing them to buy certain equipment
5504	26-76 § 23	Doubles the maximum assessment the Cornfield Point Association is allowed to impose on property owners, capping it at \$1,000 per improved lot and \$200 per unimproved lot
5507 §§ 1, 2 & 4-6	26-7	Replaces references to “accessory apartment” with “accessory dwelling unit” (ADU); extends provisions on zoning regulations’ treatment of as-of-right ADUs to municipalities that exercise zoning authority under a special act; extends the law on utility providers’ treatment of ADU utility connections, such as water and sewer connections, to cover investor-owned water companies
5510	26-68 §§ 183-185 , as amended by 26-76 §§ 77 & 78	Allows DPH to impose civil penalties on people who provide professional services without a required DPH license or certificate; similarly allows DPH to impose civil penalties, and sets criminal penalties, for someone who opens, manages, or operates a health care facility without a required DPH license or certificate
5511	26-68 § 194	Explicitly allows DPH to enforce compliance with public health laws, regulations, permits, and orders through an agreed settlement or consent order

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<u>5513 § 1</u>	<u>26-68 § 186</u>	Allows DPH to appoint an embalmer to dispose of an abandoned dead body or abandoned cremated remains after a funeral director or embalmer has voluntarily or improperly relinquished control of the body or remains in violation of state law
<u>5513 § 2</u>	<u>26-68 § 187</u>	Requires DPH, upon request, to issue death records electronically regardless of when the death occurred (with the social security number generally redacted)
<u>5513 § 3</u>	<u>26-68 § 188</u>	Makes a technical change to terminology in a public health statute
<u>5513 §§ 4-6</u>	<u>26-68 § 189-191</u>	Makes minor and clarifying changes to laws related to the state's food code
<u>5513 § 7</u>	<u>26-68 § 192</u>	Makes changes to the state's medical orders for life-sustaining treatment (MOLST) program, such as providing that a MOLST under the program is invalid unless it is completed on a DPH form and executed in line with statutory and regulatory requirements
<u>5513 § 8</u>	<u>26-68 § 193</u>	Allows DPH's contracted program for HIV pre- and post-exposure prophylaxis drug assistance to also provide funding for associated lab testing and related costs
<u>5517 § 111</u>	<u>26-38 § 3</u>	Requires DESPP to coordinate with the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS), in addition to DPH, when deploying behavioral health professionals after mass shootings
<u>5517 §§ 112-114</u>	<u>26-38 §§ 4-6</u>	Updates the membership requirements of certain DMHAS advisory boards to reflect current practice
<u>5517 §§ 115-132</u>	<u>26-38 §§ 7-24</u>	Repeals a statutory provision establishing catchment area councils and makes related technical changes, removing statutory references to them (in practice, their functions are now performed by Regional Behavioral Health Action Organizations)
<u>5519 §§ 1-5</u>	<u>26-142 §§ 21-25</u>	Creates a three-phase DPH certification program for subsurface sewage enforcement officers who review plans, conduct inspections, investigate complaints, and perform similar work related to subsurface sewage disposal systems (septic systems)

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5519 § 6	26-142 § 26	Allows DPH to certify apprentice operators for water treatment plants, water distribution systems, or small water systems
5520	26-101 § 6 , as amended by 26-124 § 15	Allows 10 or more people to petition the DEEP commissioner to require a fish passage be installed at certain dams; sets an evaluation process the commissioner must follow when she receives a petition; requires her to take related actions if she determines a dam does not have an adequate passage
5523 § 5	26-68 § 479	Requires DEEP to make grants totaling \$50,000 in FY 27 to federal- and state-recognized Native American tribes for hunting and fishing license fees
5529	26-42 § 69	Specifies that electronic poll books may only be used as a backup to the paper-based poll book when checking in voters; requires registrars to provide certain notice if they plan to do so
5530	26-42 § 70	Establishes a task force to study absentee ballot access in certain cities and boroughs in the state that are unconsolidated with the towns where they are located
5531	26-76 §§ 73-75	Requires presidential electors to pledge they will vote for the presidential candidate they were elected to support; establishes procedures for removing electors who fail to vote for their pledged candidate and nullifying their votes
5539 § 1	26-100 § 33	Expands specified requirements for e-cigarette dealers and generally expands the circumstances under which DCP may deny a dealer's registration or take other enforcement actions
5551 § 9	26-127 § 16	Prohibits the Siting Council, until July 1, 2027, from approving solar facilities in certain municipalities that already have council-approved solar facilities on a certain proportion of their total land area
5552	26-14 § 13 , as amended by 26-76 § 46	Sets various conditions and restrictions on how law enforcement and other public agencies may use ALPR systems or associated data

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5561 § 7 (File 445)	26-76 § 40	Requires the DSS commissioner to adjust Medicaid reimbursement rates for optometrists so that they equal ophthalmologist rates and seek federal approval to amend the Medicaid state plan if needed to do so
5561 § 14 (File 445)	26-68 § 448	Requires DSS to amend the Medicaid state plan to increase reimbursement rates for licensed family planning clinics
5564	26-130 § 9	Requires the court to allow certain crime victims to make a statement for the record before any proceedings to dismiss or nolle a charge against the defendant (for sexual assault crimes, for example); requires state's attorneys to notify victims who provide their contact information of the proceedings
5571 § 1	26-68 §§ 254 & 255	Creates a refundable sales and use tax credit up to \$10 million under which, generally, the PeoplesBank Arena's facility management company may qualify if it contracts with UConn to host a minimum number of events
5571 § 3	26-76 § 50	Modifies requirements for businesses to qualify for tax credits under the angel investor tax credit program, including reducing the minimum percentage of a business's employees that must live in Connecticut
5571 § 5	26-75 § 2	Expands who qualifies as an eligible farmer under a farm investment tax credit program

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