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H.B. 5021	**H.B. No. 5021 REP. CAFERO, 142nd DIST.; SEN. MCKINNEY, 28th DIST. 'AN ACT MAKING ADJUSTMENTS TO THE BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM ENDING JUNE 30, 2009',** to implement the Governor's budget recommendations. **REF. APPROPRIATIONS 2/7/08**	2/11/2008 THRU 2/15/2008					
H.B. 5039	**H.B. No. 5039 REP. CAFERO, 142nd DIST.; SEN. MCKINNEY, 28th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING AN ENHANCED 9-1-1 SERVICE DATABASE',** to implement the Governor's budget recommendations. **REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/7/08**	2/19/2008	3/6/2008 JFS TO FLOOR				
H.B. 5040	**H.B. No. 5040 REP. CAFERO, 142nd DIST.; SEN. MCKINNEY, 28th DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A CONNECTICUT PUBLIC SAFETY DATA NETWORK',** to implement the Governor's budget recommendations. **REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/7/08**	2/19/2008	2/28/2007 JFS TO FLOOR				
H.B. 5281	**Proposed H.B. No. 5281 REP. FREY, 111th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING WORKERS' COMPENSATION FOR POLICE OFFICERS, FIREFIGHTERS AND EMERGENCY SERVICES PERSONNEL',** to permit police officers, firefighters and emergency services personnel to collect workers' compensation for injuries sustained while responding to off-duty emergencies. **REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES 2/14/08**						
H.B. 5306	**Proposed H.B. No. 5306 REP. RYAN, 139th DIST.; SEN. STILLMAN, 20th DIST.; REP. RITTER, 38th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING FEES PAID FOR MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE PLATES BY FIREFIGHTERS',** to eliminate a state fee for vanity plates for firefighters. **REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/14/08**	2/19/2008 REFER TO TRANSPOR TATION					
H.B. 5416	**Proposed H.B. No. 5416 REP. GRAZIANI, 57th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A TUITION WAIVER FOR VOLUNTEER FIRST RESPONDERS ATTENDING COMMUNITY-TECHNICAL COLLEGES',** to provide tuition waivers for volunteer first responders at community-technical colleges. **REF. HI EDUC AND EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT 2/15/08**	3/4/2008	2/21/2008 VOTED TO DRAFT				
H.B. 5503	**H.B. No. 5503 (RAISED) GENERAL LAW. 'AN ACT REQUIRING AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS IN HEALTH CLUBS',** to require health clubs to provide and maintain automatic external defibrillators on premises. **REF. GENERAL LAW 2/20/08**	2/26/2008					
H.B. 5559	**Proposed H.B. No. 5559 REP. CAFERO, 142nd DIST.; REP. HAMZY, 78th DIST.; REP. KLARIDES, 114th DIST. 'AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR A SCHOLARSHIP FOR NURSING AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN STUDENTS', to** encourage people to enter into the nursing and emergency medical technical fields so that the state can continue to provide quality healthcare to those in need.						

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H.B. 5569	**Proposed H.B. No. 5569 REP. CARUSO, 126th DIST.; REP. HENNESSY, 127th DIST.; REP. KEELEY, 129th DIST. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR A FIRE STATION IN BRIDGEPORT',** to authorize bonds of the state for a combined ladder and hose engine fire station in Bridgeport. **REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/20/08**						
H.B. 5570	**Proposed H.B. No. 5570 REP. HARKINS, 120th DIST. 'AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR A GRANT TO STRATFORD FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PURPOSES',** to appropriate funds for a grant to Stratford for emergency management related purchases. **REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/20/08**						
H.B. 5629	**H.B. No. 5629 (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE FOR FIREFIGHTERS, POLICE OFFICERS AND EMERGENCY RESCUE WORKERS',** to establish a rebuttable presumption that a firefighter, police officer or emergency rescue worker who contracts hepatitis, meningococcal meningitis, tuberculosis or certain other diseases is eligible for workers' compensation provided he or she meets certain requirements. **REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES 2/21/08**	3/4/2008					
H.B. 5646	**H.B. No. 5646 (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING VOLUNTEER SERVICE BY PAID EMERGENCY PERSONNEL OR PAID FIREFIGHTERS',** to prohibit municipalities from banning their paid firefighter personnel and emergency personnel from serving as volunteer firefighters in another municipality during personal time. **REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/21/08**	2/26/2008	3/4/2008 JF TO FLOOR				
H.B. 5647	**H.B. No. 5647 (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE SUBSIDIZATION OF MUNICIPAL PUBLIC SAFETY EMERGENCY TELECOMMUNICATIONS CENTERS',** to exempt certain fire departments that rely on a secondary answering point for emergency telecommunications services from a reduction in E-9-1-1 funding. **REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/21/08**	2/26/2008	3/4/2008 JF TO ENERGY & TECHNOLOGY				
H.B. 5669	**H.B. No. 5669 (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT SHIELDING FIRE DEPARTMENTS THAT INSTALL SMOKE AND CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS FROM LIABILITY',** to shield fire departments that install smoke and carbon monoxide detectors from any liability stemming from such installation. **REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/22/08**	3/4/2008	3/6/2008 JF TO JUDICIARY				
H.B. 5802	**H.B. No. 5802 (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATE FIRE PREVENTION CODE',** to provide processes for the interpretation, alternative compliance, penalties under and appeals pursuant to the State Fire Prevention Code,	3/4/2008	3/6/2008 JF TO FLOOR				

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	to delete the prohibition against inspecting manufacturing establishments, and to permit the local fire marshals and State Fire Marshal to issue citations and apply for an injunction when a hazardous condition exists. **REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/29/08**						
H.B. 5804	**H.B. No. 5804 (RAISED) ENVIRONMENT. 'AN ACT REGULATING THE SALE OF OUTDOOR WOOD-BURNING FURNACES',** to require sellers of outdoor wood-burning furnaces to disclose the current restrictions on locating and operating such furnaces and to give purchasers of such furnaces a three-day right of cancellation. **REF. ENVIRONMENT 2/29/08**	3/7/2008					
H.B. 5805	**H.B. No. 5805 (RAISED) ENVIRONMENT. 'AN ACT CONCERNING TOXIC SUBSTANCES',** to phase out the class of chemicals known as alkylphenol ethoxylates, and certain toxic flame retardants, and to allow the Commissioner of Environmental Protection to ban additional flame retardants once a safer alternative exists. **REF. ENVIRONMENT 2/29/08**	3/7/2008					
H.B. 5806	**H.B. No. 5806 (RAISED) ENVIRONMENT. 'AN ACT CONCERNING BOATING SAFETY',** to amend boating statutes to incorporate by reference federal safety, navigation lighting and equipment requirements, to hold a person in control of a boat or personal watercraft responsible for permitting a person under sixteen years of age to operate a boat or personal watercraft without a safe boating certificate or certificate of personal watercraft operation, to authorize the Department of Environmental Protection to penalize persons teaching unapproved boating courses, to define the term "boat livery" and place certain restrictions on persons who rent and persons who operate rental boats. **REF. ENVIRONMENT 2/29/08**						
H.B. 5809	**H.B. No. 5809 (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE RECRUITMENT, TRAINING, INITIAL CERTIFICATION AND RETENTION OF EMERGENCY SERVICES PERSONNEL',** to require the Department of Public Health to study issues surrounding the recruitment, training, initial certification and retention of emergency services personnel in the state. **REF. PUBLIC HEALTH 2/29/08**						
H.B. 5812	**H.B. No. 5812 (RAISED) PUBLIC HEALTH. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE AVAILABILITY OF AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS FOR PUBLIC USE',** to improve the health and safety of those in the state by expanding access to automatic external defibrillators throughout the state. **REF. PUBLIC HEALTH 2/29/08**	3/10/2008					
S.B. 063	**S.B. No. 63 (RAISED) LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. 'AN ACT CONCERNING POST-TRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER AND THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION ACT',** to reinsert the	3/4/2008					

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	post-traumatic stress disorder clause into the Workers' Compensation Act. **REF. LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES 2/13/08**						
S.B. 087	**Proposed S.B. No. 87 SEN. PRAGUE, 19th DIST. 'AN ACT EXEMPTING AMBULANCES FROM THE MOTOR VEHICLE FUELS TAX',** to exempt ambulances from the motor vehicle fuel tax. **REF. PUBLIC HEALTH 2/13/08**						
S.B. 175	**S.B. No. 175 (RAISED) PROGRAM REVIEW AND INVESTIGATIONS. 'AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PROGRAM REVIEW AND INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE CONCERNING HOMELAND SECURITY',** to require the appointment of five regional intelligence liaison officers and one intelligence liaison officer per one hundred thousand persons to facilitate the sharing of intelligence, and to require municipalities to create a managed emergency telephone notification system. **REF. PROGRAM REVIEW AND INVESTIGATIONS 2/14/08**	2/29/2008					
S.B. 180	**S.B. No. 180 (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR FIREFIGHTER TRAINING',** to provide for the full funding of entry level fire service personnel training and to appropriate two and one-half million dollars a year for such training. **REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/14/08**	2/19/2008	2/28/2007 JF TO APPROPRIATIONS				
S.B. 181	**S.B. No. 181 (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING CRISIS RESPONSE DRILLS',** to require schools to hold a crisis response drill every three months. **REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/14/08**	2/19/2008	2/28/2007 JFS TO EDUCATION				
S.B. 305	**S.B. No. 305 (RAISED) SELECT COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS. 'AN ACT CONCERNING MILITARY TRANSPORTATION',** to exempt members of the National Guard from any operator's license fee or registration fee, including any renewals**; to permit the National Guard civil support team to use a blue light illuminated upon a motor vehicle;** and to exempt from the hands-free mobile phone requirement, a member of the armed forces, including the National Guard, while in the performance of his official duties and within the scope of employment. **REF. SELECT COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS 2/20/08**	2/28/2008	2/28/2007 JFS TO TRANSPORTATION				
S.B. 354	**S.B. No. 354 (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE LEGISLATIVE COMMISSIONERS' RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TECHNICAL REVISIONS TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY STATUTES',** to make minor technical corrections to the public safety statutes. **REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/20/08**	2/26/2008	3/4/2008 JF TO FLOOR				
S.B. 500	**S.B. No. 500 (RAISED) TRANSPORTATION. 'AN ACT CONCERNING HIGHWAY WORK ZONE SAFETY',** to create a Highway Work Zone Safety Advisory Council to protect highway	3/5/2008					

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	workers in work zones, and to establish the offenses of "endangerment of a highway worker" and "aggravated endangerment of a highway worker". **REF. TRANSPORTATION 2/28/08**						
S.B. 540	**S.B. No. 540 (RAISED) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT DOUBLING THE FINES FOR MOVING MOTOR VEHICLE VIOLATIONS OCCURRING IN EMERGENCY RESPONSE AREAS',** to double the fine for moving motor vehicle violations that occur in emergency response areas. **REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY 2/28/08**	3/4/2008	3/6/2008 JF TO FLOOR				
S.B. 687	**S.B. No. 687 (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING AUTOMATIC EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS',** to establish requirements and immunity for the use of automated external defibrillators in health clubs and athletic facilities of institutions of higher education. **REF. JUDICIARY 3/7/2008**						

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