

# Planning and Development Committee JOINT FAVORABLE REPORT

**Bill No.:** HB-6102

AN ACT CONCERNING A SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT WITHIN THE CITY OF

**Title:** WEST HAVEN.

**Vote Date:** 3/2/2021

**Vote Action:** Joint Favorable Substitute

**PH Date:** 2/3/2021

**File No.:** 67

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## **SPONSORS OF BILL:**

N/A

## **REASONS FOR BILL:**

HB-6105 seeks to permit a special taxing district in West Haven and authorize that district to make expenditures for public and private infrastructure improvements and issue bonds to finance said improvements

## **RESPONSE FROM ADMINISTRATION/AGENCY:**

None Submitted for HB-6747.

## **NATURE AND SOURCES OF SUPPORT:**

**John Dionis, Vice President- Development, The Haven Group, LLC** – supports this bill because he feels that after years of economic redevelopment in this proposed district the City of West Haven deserves to collect the rewards.

**Charles Ferraro, State Representative** – supports this bill because it would enable the development of The Haven, a luxury shopping outlet that he claims may help the city recoup the revenue lost by the city due to COVID-19.

**Nancy Rossi, Mayor of the City of West Haven**- supports this bill because it would allow funding for a large variety of infrastructure projects that the City of West Haven wants to complete.

**West Haven Delegation** – supports this bill because they state that with the "Haven" project being almost completely agreed upon, The City of West Haven still needs the Special Taxing District to be able to move forward.

**NATURE AND SOURCES OF OPPOSITION:**

None Expressed for HB-6747.

**Reported by: Chris Peritore**

**Date: 3/15/2021**