



House of Representatives

General Assembly

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Substitute House Bill No. 5518

House of Representatives, April 22, 2024

The Committee on Government Administration and Elections reported through REP. BLUMENTHAL of the 147th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONVEYANCE OF A PARCEL OF STATE LAND IN THE TOWN OF CANTON.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding any provision
2 of the general statutes, the Commissioner of Transportation shall convey
3 to the town of Canton a parcel of land located in the town of Canton,
4 and any improvements on said parcel, at a cost equal to the fair market
5 value of the properties, as determined by the average of the appraisals
6 of two independent appraisers selected by the commissioner, plus the
7 administrative costs of making such conveyance. Said parcel of land has
8 an area of approximately 1.53 acres, is known as 37 Bridge Street, is
9 depicted as Lot 3 in Block 143 on the town of Canton Tax Assessor's Map
10 38 and is depicted as a parcel labeled "N/F State of Connecticut Vol.
11 70/Pg. 473 Vol. 68/Pg. 249 #37 Bridge Street AREA = 66,455 +/- Sq. Ft.
12 1.53 +/- Acres" on a map entitled "BOUNDARY & GENERAL
13 LOCATION SURVEY Land of The State of Connecticut. #37 Bridge
14 Street Collinsville, Connecticut. Survey Date January 16, 2022

15 PREPARED BY YELLOW DOG SURVEYS LLC". Said parcel is subject
 16 to an easement in favor of the Department of Transportation recorded
 17 in Volume 418 at Page 534 of the town of Canton Land Records. The
 18 conveyance shall be subject to the approval of the State Properties
 19 Review Board.

20 (b) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review of the
 21 conveyance of said parcel of land and any improvements not later than
 22 thirty days after it receives a proposed agreement from the Department
 23 of Transportation. The land shall remain under the care and control of
 24 said department until a conveyance is made in accordance with the
 25 provisions of this section. The State Treasurer shall execute and deliver
 26 any deed or instrument necessary for a conveyance under this section.
 27 The Commissioner of Transportation shall have the sole responsibility
 28 for all other incidents of such conveyance. Any funds received by said
 29 department from the sale of said parcels and improvements shall be
 30 transferred to the State Treasurer for deposit in the Special
 31 Transportation Fund.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

In Subsec. (a) "town of" was added for consistency with standard drafting conventions. In Subsec. (b), references to "commissioner" were changed to "department" for consistency with standard drafting conventions and references to "improvements" were added for consistency.

GAE *Joint Favorable Subst.*

The following Fiscal Impact Statement and Bill Analysis are prepared for the benefit of the members of the General Assembly, solely for purposes of information, summarization and explanation and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose. In general, fiscal impacts are based upon a variety of informational sources, including the analyst's professional knowledge. Whenever applicable, agency data is consulted as part of the analysis, however final products do not necessarily reflect an assessment from any specific department.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 25 \$	FY 26 \$
Department of Transportation	TF - Loss of Asset	125,000	See Below
Resources of the Special Transportation Fund	TF - Revenue Gain	125,000	See Below

Note: TF=Transportation Fund

Municipal Impact:

Municipalities	Effect	FY 25 \$	FY 26 \$
Canton	Cost	See Below	See Below
Canton	Gain of Asset	125,000	See Below

Explanation

The bill conveys a specified parcel of land from the Department of Transportation (DOT) to the town of Canton. The state would lose use of the asset (most recently valued at \$125,000) and gain revenues up to the fair market value of the project. The state would retain an easement for existing utilities. The town of Canton would gain use of an asset and would pay the fair market value of the property and administrative costs of the conveyance.

The land conveyance is subject to the review and approval of the State Properties Review Board.

The Out Years

The conveyance action is one time in nature. Control of the asset would continue into the future as described above, subject to future municipal decisions.

OLR Bill Analysis

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SUMMARY

The Office of Legislative Research (OLR) does not analyze Special Acts, but information on this conveyance and others reported favorably by the Government Administration and Elections Committee can be found in an annual report prepared by OLR. For 2024, this is OLR Report 2024-R-0075.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Government Administration and Elections Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 19 Nay 0 (04/10/2024)