

Commerce Committee JOINT FAVORABLE REPORT

Bill No.: SB-248

Title: AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE CONNECTICUT-IRELAND TRADE COMMISSION.

Vote Date: 3/21/2024

Vote Action: Joint Favorable Substitute

PH Date: 3/5/2024

File No.: 341

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SPONSORS OF BILL:

SEN. KELLY
REP. MCGORTY
REP. WOOD
REP. HEFFERNAN
SEN. LOONEY
SEN. DUFF

REASONS FOR BILL:

The Connecticut-Ireland Trade Commission and the Senate Bill 248 garner support from various stakeholders who recognize its potential to advance economic growth, promote trade, and strengthen ties between Connecticut and Ireland.

Substitute Language: LCO NO. 3148

Add "Effective from passage" to section 1 of the legislation

RESPONSE FROM ADMINISTRATION/AGENCY:

None expressed.

NATURE AND SOURCES OF SUPPORT:

**Business Council, Ireland-CT, ICBC-Ireland-CT Business Council
Mark Daly, Senator
Kevin Dillon, Executive Director-CT Airport Authority
Bob Duff, Senate Majority Leader-CGA**

Carol Murphy, Majority Whip-New Jersey General Assembly
Paul Stenson, CEO - President-StanChem Resins

The individuals and respective organizations listed above believe that SB248 would help advance the mutual interests of Connecticut and Ireland, including bilateral trade and investment opportunities, joint policy action, business and academic exchanges, economic support, and mutual investment in the infrastructures of the two regions.

NATURE AND SOURCES OF OPPOSITION:

None expressed.

Reported by: Hassan Ismail

Date: 03/28/2024