



2015 BILL TRACKING REPORT

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SUMMARY

This report lists the bills considered during the General Assembly's 2015 regular session and June Special Session whose provisions were enacted under another bill number.

The provisions of many bills that die in committee or on the calendar become law after the (1) original committee incorporates them in another bill that receives a favorable report or (2) concept is adopted as an amendment and incorporated in another bill. This report includes bills whose language may have changed in the final enactment from that of the original committee bill or file, but that represent the legislature's final action on the matter taken during the session.

During the session, the content or concept of 165 bills that started as separate legislation was later incorporated in other legislation that passed and became law. Table 1 lists the original bills in numeric order and shows the public act that included their provisions. Table 2 lists the bills by the committee of origin.

Table 1: Bill Tracking by Bill Number

Originated As Bill #	Enacted as Public Act #	Brief Explanation of Concept
1 §§ 1-22	15-244 §§ 183-205	Restructures the state's payment in lieu of taxes (PILOT) programs by establishing minimum annual reimbursement rates and a method for disbursing PILOT grants when appropriations are not enough to fund the full grant amounts
1 §§ 23 & 25	15-244 §§ 206 & 208	(1) Allows municipalities and special taxing districts to tax motor vehicles at a different rate than other taxable property and (2) caps the motor vehicle mill rate
1 § 24	15-244 §§ 207 & 209	Establishes a schedule for distributing sales tax revenue directed to the Municipal Revenue Sharing Account
1 §§ 26-30	15-244 §§ 211-215	Authorizes councils of government to establish a property tax base revenue sharing program
1 § 56	15-234 § 15	Eliminates fee tails (a person holds land in "fee tail" when the deed or will which conveyed the land specifically states that the conveyance is to a person "and the heirs of his or her body")
5	15-88 §§ 2 & 3	Requires health insurance policies to cover medical services provided through telehealth if they cover the services through in-person visits between an insured and a health care provider
23	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 51	Requires the insurance commissioner to select a group-wide supervisor for certain internationally active insurance groups that are also active in Connecticut
24	15-146 §§ 7 & 8	Requires (1) health insurers to provide consumers certain coverage information at enrollment and (2) the insurance commissioner to evaluate insurers' compliance with the federal Affordable Care Act
103	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 57	Requires landlords to include notices in leases disclosing whether dwelling units they rent have working fire sprinkler systems
121	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 56	Requires utility companies that require a potential customer to disclose his or her Social Security number (SSN) to verify the SSN before opening a new account to ensure that it does not belong to a minor
213	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 106	(1) Allows municipalities to abate up to 100% of a gas company's annual personal property taxes to facilitate natural gas expansion projects and (2) requires the gas company to include the abatement when calculating the hurdle rate for gas expansion projects within the municipality
357 § 1	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 116	Establishes an aquaculture council to report on the state's shellfish industry and any related recommendations
366	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 436-438	(1) Establishes added notice requirements for schools that apply pesticide, including lawn care pesticide, on their premises and (2) exempts certain products from the ban on nonemergency lawn care pesticide application on the grounds of preschools or schools with students in grade eight or lower
388	15-24 § 2	Extends by three the hours a bowling establishment permittee may sell alcohol outside of its bar area
391	15-24 § 3	Generally allows those age 16 and 17, rather than age 18, to be employed by businesses holding an alcoholic permit
399	15-231	Requires UConn and the Board of Regents for Higher Education (BOR), annually beginning by November 1, 2015, to report to the Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee on how they awarded institutional financial aid to undergraduates in the previous academic year

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408	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 418 & 419	(1) Transfers, from the Department of Children and Families (DCF) to the Department of Housing (DOH), responsibility for administering the state's homeless youth program and (2) expands program eligibility to include homeless youth age 23 or younger, instead of only those under age 21
418	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 469 & 470	Adds peer-reviewed literature to the list of sources that can recognize an off-label drug for treatment of a condition and thus require it to be covered
448	15-188	Allows a reemployed Connecticut Municipal Employees' Retirement System (CMERS) participant to collect CMERS benefits as long as he or she does not participate in CMERS during the reemployment
481	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 164	Requires the departments of Transportation (DOT), Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP), and Emergency Services and Public Protection (DESPP) to develop and implement an enhanced accident response plan and report annually to various legislative committees
503	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 426-428	Requires motor vehicle dealers to tell prospective buyers that conveyance fees are negotiable and requires Program Review and Investigations to report to Transportation Committee on conveyance fees
506	15-79, as amended by 15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 236	Requires drive only licenses to have language on back stating that they cannot be used as identification for voting
520	15-244 § 65	Fully exempts federally taxable military retirement pay from the state income tax
540	15-244 § 171	Increases the aggregate cap on Insurance Reinvestment Act Tax credits by \$150 million, from \$200 to \$350 million, and makes several programmatic changes
565	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 107	Requires the Low-Income Energy Advisory Board to recommend ways to improve the implementation of heating assistance programs, particularly those created to benefit low-income households, by coordinating and optimizing existing energy efficiency and assistance programs
570	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 102 & 103	Allows electric distribution companies to submit proposals to DEEP for a pilot program to build, own, or operate grid-side system enhancements, including energy storage systems
570	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 105	Requires the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority (PURA) to adjust an electric distribution company's residential fixed charge so that it only recovers the fixed costs and operation and maintenance expenses directly related to metering, billing, service connections, and providing customer service
570 (Senate Amendment "A") § 13)	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 466	Allows PURA commissioners to privately confer or communicate with each other about matters before PURA without invoking the Freedom of Information Act's requirements for public meetings
570 (Senate Amendment "A") § 17)	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 104	Allows municipalities to abate up to 100% of the property taxes due for any tax year for any Class I renewable energy source subject to certain power purchase agreements
572	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 420	Establishes an Office of State Broadband within the Office of Consumer Counsel and requires it to work to increase access to broadband to every state citizen and increase access to, and adoption of, ultra-high-speed gigabit-capable broadband networks

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589	15-142 §§ 5 & 6	Requires insurers, HMOs, banking or financial institutions, and data brokers that collect personal information to (1) encrypt customers' personal information, (2) notify customers of unauthorized access to their personal information, and (3) provide identity theft monitoring
629	15-142 § 7	Prohibits offering a new smartphone model for retail sale in the state unless it has certain features to prevent unauthorized use
652, 1109	15-4, June Sp. Sess., § 4	Expands when a prosecutor must investigate a death involving a peace officer and requires, rather than allows, appointing a prosecutor from a judicial district other than the one where the incident occurred or a special prosecutor to conduct the investigation
706	15-236 § 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expands training requirements for employees of certain entities who care for people age 60 or older to cover elderly exploitation and abandonment Makes licensed or certified emergency medical service (EMS) providers mandated reporters of elder abuse
770	15-4, June Sp. Sess., §§ 7 & 8	Requires police officers, beginning July 1, 2016, to use body cameras
795	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 401	Establishes a two-generational school readiness and workforce development pilot program and creates an interagency working group
807	15-146 § 16	Requires Access Health CT to (1) encourage health carriers to offer plans with tiered networks and (2) offer those plans through the exchange
808	15-146 §§ 9 & 10	Requires health insurers to charge insureds for emergency services and surprise bills at the in-network level of coverage
812 §§ 1, 2, & 5	15-146 §§ 20-22 & 24	Establishes a statewide health information exchange and makes various related changes concerning electronic health records
813 §§ 1-5	15-146 §§ 1-6 (§ 2 was amended by 15-242 § 58)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires the Connecticut Health Insurance Exchange to establish a consumer health information website and creates related reporting requirements Requires each health carrier to maintain a website and toll-free telephone number allowing consumers to request and obtain information on in- and out-of-network costs Makes various other changes concerning health care pricing information and related topics
815	15-146 § 19	Requires the state to review variations in health care providers' prices and insurance reimbursement rates
815	15-146 §§ 29, 35	Requires the state to conduct a cost and market impact review of certain hospital ownership transfers that considers factors related to the transacting parties' business and relative market positions
842	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 243 & 244	Requires the State Department of Education (SDE) commissioner to appoint surrogate parents for certain foster children to serve as advocates in the educational decision-making process
874	15-24 § 4	Limits licensed farm wineries that offer tastings of free wine or brandy samples to dispensing the samples from bottles or containers that hold up to two gallons
910	15-17	Requires the State Board of Education to assist and encourage local and regional boards of education to include labor history and the history of free-market capitalism in their curricula

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911	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 112	Allows an employee to sue for unpaid wages or benefits over an employer's past due payments to an employee welfare fund
916 § 10	15-146 § 28	Requires the state to hire an independent monitor for a specified period of time after certain hospital ownership transfers are completed; the new owner must pay the monitor's costs
920	15-53 §§ 1-3	Allows Connecticut-licensed mortgage correspondent lenders, under certain circumstances, to act as mortgage servicers without obtaining a mortgage servicer license from the banking commissioner
921	15-235 §§ 1-23	Makes several revisions to the Connecticut Truth-in-Lending Act to make it substantially similar to the federal Truth-in-Lending Act and related regulations
922	15-235 §§ 24-28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requires Connecticut credit unions to file semi-annual reports with the National Credit Union Administration • Allows any mailing method that provides a signature as proof of delivery when certain banks apply for name change • Establishes a deadline for Connecticut banks to file annual audits • Replaces statutory provisions on "home banking services" with provisions on "virtual banking" • Specifies acquisition approval requirements that pertain to anti-money laundering laws
923	15-53 § 4	voids a contract or other agreement involving interest, consideration, or charges that violates the laws governing small loans and makes other changes regarding violations of these laws
929	15-248	(1) Staggers the terms of the members of BOR's student advisory committee and (2) makes two changes to the committee's leadership
932	15-230 § 2	Reduces the number of calendar days, from seven to four, in which a homemaker-companion service registry must provide certain written notice for the consumer to sign
942 § 1-9	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 245-252	Maintains existing cap on certain state education formula grants to school districts for two additional fiscal years (including transportation, adult education, special education excess costs)
942 § 20	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 258	(1) Increases the number of schools that the education commissioner may select for the commissioner's network of schools and (2) removes the four school limit on the number of schools from one district that can participate at one time
942 § 21	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 259	Establishes the Office of Early Childhood (OEC) as the lead agency for the federal Birth to Three program, which offers early intervention services to infants and toddlers
942 § 30	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 307	Extends for two years (FYs 16 and 17) and modifies the criteria for prioritizing funding for additional magnet school seats
943 §§ 2(c) & (d), 4(b), 5, & 6	15-239 §§ 2(c) & (d), 5, 9, & 10	Among other things, (1) requires charter applications to contain a plan to share best practices with the board of education in the town where the proposed charter would be located, (2) requires charter school governance councils to adopt conflict of interest and anti-nepotism policies, and (3) adds contracting requirements for wholesale management services provided by a charter management organization
946	15-244 various §§	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (1) increases, from 6.7% to 6.99%, the marginal income tax rate for certain higher income filers; (2) delays scheduled income tax

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		<p>reductions for single filers; (3) fully exempts federally taxable military retirement pay from the state income tax; (4) delays by two years the scheduled increase in the earned income tax credit; (5) extends the 20% corporation income tax surcharge for two additional years, to the 2016 and 2017 income years and imposes a temporary 10% surcharge for the 2018 income year; (6) limits the amount of net operating loss (NOL) deduction and business tax credits corporations may use to reduce their tax liability; (7) extends the temporary cap on the maximum insurance premium tax liability that an insurer may offset through tax credits; (8) extends the temporary moratorium on issuing film and digital media production tax credits; (9) imposes a cap on the use of tax credits to reduce hospital tax liability; (10) eliminates the sales and use tax exemption for clothing and footwear costing less than \$50; and (11) limits the exemption for clothing and footwear during “sales-tax-free-week” to items costing less than \$100, rather than \$300</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establishes a mechanism for diverting projected surpluses in certain tax revenues to the Budget Reserve (i.e. “Rainy Day”) Fund • Establishes a framework for regulating the manufacture and sale of electronic nicotine delivery systems and vapor products • Allows the Connecticut Lottery Corporation to offer keno as a lottery game • Modifies the rental surcharge that applies to car, truck, and machinery rentals • Increases license renewal fees for various Department of Public Health (DPH) licensed professionals • Increases the amount towns participating in the resident trooper program must pay for the cost of employing a trooper • Transfers funds from various accounts to the General Fund • Eliminates certain disbursements from the Tobacco Settlement Fund • Diverts certain funds deposited in the Community Investment Account to the General Fund • Transfers, from the palliative marijuana administration account to the General Fund, all fees the Department of Consumer Protection collects under its regulation of palliative marijuana. • Increases the number of package store or druggist liquor permits in which a person may have an interest • Extends the allowable hours for certain off-premises alcohol sales
<p style="text-align: center;">947</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">15-1, June Sp. Sess.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Authorizes new state general obligation, special tax obligation (STO), and revenue bonds for FY 16 and 17 • Cancels or reduces bond authorizations from prior fiscal years • Establishes new grant programs for municipalities (1) jointly constructing, maintaining, or improving a regional dog pound or (2) undertaking certain road repairs • Expands existing bond-funded grant programs for (1) general school building improvements and (2) bikeways, pedestrian walkways, and greenways

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952	15-2, June Sp. Sess.	Reduces the penalty for most types of drug possession from felonies to misdemeanors, reduces the size of the Board of Pardons and Paroles' membership, allows the board to consider certain inmates for parole without a hearing, expands authority for expedited pardons review, makes other changes to board procedures, and includes certain victim notice provisions
953	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 113	Requires the state, in certain state-backed "hospitality projects," to require contracts for hotel or concession area operation or management services to include a labor peace agreement between the contractor, including any of its subcontractors, tenants, or licensees, and the labor organization representing or seeking to represent the hotel's or concession area's employees
954	15-146 §§ 30 & 33	Requires reporting of information on financial gain by certain individuals in connection with a hospital sale
955	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 345	Transfers funding for certain DPH programs (e.g., needle and syringe exchange, AIDS services, and breast and cervical cancer detection and treatment, among others) from the General Fund to the Insurance Fund
955	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 520	Repeals a statutory provision authorizing DPH to establish and administer a program to provide financial assistance to community health centers
958	15-222 § 6	Folds two Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated funds into the Connecticut Growth Fund
959	15-222 § 5	Modifies eligibility requirements for financing from the Bioscience Innovation Fund
961	15-193 §§ 3 & 4	(1) Expands the range of brownfields the Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD) can remediate and market to include those the state owned and transferred to other parties, (2) allows DECD to select these brownfields for its priority list of brownfields, and (3) makes other changes that expand the range of state-owned brownfields eligible for remediation and marketing
977	15-24 § 5	Allows, with limitations, certain small alcoholic liquor manufacturer permittees to sell the liquor they manufacture at retail from their premises, in sealed bottles or other containers for off-premises consumption
993	15-146 § 13	Places certain limits on allowable facility fees for outpatient health care services
1000	15-242 § 33	Requires DPH to study food-borne disease outbreaks, including the information communicated to the public after confirmed outbreaks
1005 §§ 9-61	15-240	Repeals prior law about powers of attorney and enacts the Uniform Power of Attorney Act
1006	15-199 § 19	Allows children over age 14 who are receiving voluntary services from DCF and their parents or guardians to (1) request a probate court hearing when the department decides to terminate those services and (2) compel a probate court hearing on the adequacy of treatment plans when the children are receiving voluntary services at home
1007	15-199 §§ 3 & 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Makes several changes to permanency plan requirements for children in DCF custody including (1) requiring the commissioner to consult with the child when developing or revising the plan and (2) limiting the permanency plan goal of another planned permanent living arrangement to children age 16 and older.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gives the probate court the authority to order post-adoption sibling visitation rights for adoptions that take place in that venue
1008	15-221	Requires a study of current policies, practices, and procedures to protect children up to age 3 from unexpected death or critical injury, and a report recommending administrative and legislative action to improve them
1014	15-244 § 170	Requires participating resident trooper towns to pay (1) 85% of the compensation, maintenance, and other expenses of the first two troopers assigned to the town and (2) 100% of such costs for any additional troopers assigned there
1024	15-142 § 5	Requires health insurers to implement and maintain a comprehensive information security program to safeguard insureds' personal information
1025	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 503-505	Allows the Connecticut health insurance exchange to form quasi-public subsidiaries, subject to certain criteria
1027	15-211 §14	No longer requires the Psychiatric Security Review Board, when conditionally releasing someone under its jurisdiction, to require that the person have outpatient treatment (although treatment is still required)
1043	15-115	Makes various changes to laws concerning continuing care facilities, including (1) consolidating and modifying reporting requirements, (2) decreasing the required amount of escrow funds facilities must maintain, and (3) lifting certain restrictions on how facilities may use escrow funds
1044 § 2	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 485	Establishes the 13-member Connecticut Low Wage Employer Advisory Board and requires it to report annually on issues including (1) causes and effects of businesses paying low wages to state residents and (2) public assistance use among such residents
1062	15-1, June Sp. Sess., §§ 65 & 238	Expands the purposes of a municipal grant program for bikeways, walkways, and greenways to allow a wider range of potential projects and grant recipients
1063	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 438 & 439	(1) Restricts pesticide and lawn care pesticide use on municipal playgrounds and (2) exempts certain products from the ban on nonemergency lawn care pesticide application on the grounds of preschools or schools with students in grade eight or lower
1065, 1109	15-4, June Sp. Sess., § 9	Imposes civil liability when a peace officer interferes with someone taking a photo or video of the officer performing duties
1077	15-244 § 81	Increases the number of package store permits in which a person may have an interest
1080 § 7	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 126	Pushes up the deadline for employers to submit federal W-2 forms to the Department of Revenue Services (DRS) by January 31 each year
1080 §§ 5 & 6	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 124 & 125	Eliminates the deadline for taxpayers to apply to DRS for a certain type of innocent spouse relief (i.e., relief from paying taxes, interest, and penalties if a spouse or former spouse improperly reported or omitted items on a joint tax return)
1081	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 127	Allows the special police agents the DESPP commissioner appoints to operate anywhere within DRS, rather than just in its special investigation section
1081	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 128	Extends the definition of racketeering activity under the Corrupt Organization Racketeering Act to include violations of certain cigarette tax laws

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1093	15-211 § 28	Increases the penalty for drivers who fail to stop after being involved in accidents causing serious physical injury or death
1094 § 1	15-211 § 4	Makes it a form of 2 nd degree assault to intentionally cause physical injury to someone by striking or kicking the other person in the head while the person is in a lying position
1094 § 2	15-211 § 15	Enhances the penalty, in most circumstances, for assaulting a state or municipal animal control officer and alters which rail personnel are covered by this enhanced penalty
1097 §§ 1 & 2	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 253 & 254	(1) Makes operating grants for agricultural science and technology centers ("agriscience centers") within available appropriations and (2) for FYs 16 and 17, allows a school board to spend its agriscience grant increase even if doing so causes it to exceed the total budgeted amount for education approved by its town or regional school district
1097 § 3	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 255	(1) Expands eligibility for supplemental transportation grants for the statewide interdistrict public school attendance program ("Open Choice") and (2) authorizes these grants for FYs 15-17
1099	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 263	Establishes a Planning Commission for Education to develop and recommend the implementation of a master plan that states a clear vision and mission for a high-quality public education system for Connecticut
1102 § 1	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 287	Requires SDE to distribute, on a proportionate basis, any appropriated money for bilingual education that goes unexpended as of November 1 of each year
1102 §§ 2-4	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 338-340	Makes several changes to the bilingual teacher certification and the international teacher permit laws, making it easier for applicants to obtain these credentials
1103	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 301	Creates a process by which local and regional boards of education may obtain waivers from state statutory and regulatory requirements in exchange for demonstrating innovative ideas in place of the requirements (i.e., "innovation waivers")
1109	15-4, June Sp. Sess.	(1) Requires certain police officers to use body cameras; (2) requires police training on using force, using body cameras, and cultural competency and bias-free policing; (3) creates state grants for municipal police departments to purchase body cameras; (4) requires law enforcement agencies to record when an officer discharges a firearm or uses force likely to cause serious physical injury or death; (5) requires law enforcement units to adopt guidelines to recruit, retain, and promote minority officers; (6) prohibits units from hiring officers previously dismissed for malfeasance or serious misconduct or who resigned or retired during an investigation for such conduct; and (7) requires a unit to inform another unit about an officer's dismissal, resignation, or retirement under the circumstances described above when it knows the officer is applying for a position with the unit
1111 §§ 1-6, 8-17, & 23	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 71-87	Makes various changes to the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities (CHRO) statutes, including many minor and technical changes
1111 § 7	15-249 § 2	Makes various procedural changes affecting discrimination complaints filed with CHRO, such as shortening certain time frames for CHRO's processing of complaints
1111 §§ 19-22	15-109 §§ 2-5	Updates obsolete terminology used in various statutes to describe

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		individuals with certain disabilities
1129 § 2	15-216 § 9	(1) Adds to the list of crimes which make an inmate ineligible for risk reduction earned credits and (2) requires wardens to verify that an inmate being released from a prison earned the credits that are reducing his or her sentence
1132	15-184 § 11	Exempts for the admission tax Atlantic League professional baseball games played at Bridgeport's Harbor Yard Ballpark from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2017
1135	15-244 §§ 164-169	Establishes a mechanism for diverting projected surpluses in certain tax revenues to the Budget Reserve Fund
5033	15-24 § 6	Allows cider manufacturer permittees to offer free samples of cider and apple wine manufactured on the premises
5119	15-24 § 8	Allows farm wineries to sell on their premises brandy manufactured from Connecticut-harvested fruit and distilled in-state but off the premises
5286	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 50	Phases in a ban, starting in December 2017, on the manufacture, import, sale, or offer for sale of personal care products and over-the-counter drugs with microbeads
5296	15-230 § 3	Requires compensation for those who provide material information against telephone solicitors who make certain intentionally misleading business telephone calls
5300	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 442-444	Establishes a "regional election monitor" within each of the state's nine planning regions to represent, consult with, and act on the secretary of the state's behalf before and during each election, primary, recanvass, and audit
5347	15-242 § 31	Prohibits using disposable natural rubber latex gloves at retail food establishments
5436 § 2	15-211 § 30	Prevents land subject to a conservation restriction held by a nonprofit land-holding organization from being acquired by adverse possession
5469	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 109	Allows municipal electric companies that are members of a municipal electric energy cooperative to return half of a nonresidential customer's security deposit if the customer's account remains in good standing for two years
5528 § 6	15-242 § 32	Requires DPH to study the (1) potential advantages of licensing certain certified behavior analysts and (2) inclusion of board certified behavior analysts and assistant behavior analysts in school special planning and placement teams
5720 § 1	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 118	Requires the agriculture commissioner to report on the need for and viability of establishing a laboratory east of the Connecticut River to test shellfish
5770	15-24 § 7	Requires certain alcohol manufacturer permittees to offer nonalcoholic beverages
5896	15-242 § 34	Creates a 12-member task force, instead of an advisory council, to study childhood nutrition including (1) promoting healthier eating habits and promoting and providing healthier school meals and (2) developing a nutrition education program for local and regional school districts to adopt and integrate into their physical education curriculum
5907	15-242 § 51	Expands the requirements for hospitals to notify EMS responders, through

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		designated officers, that may have been exposed to infectious diseases when treating, assisting, or transporting a victim of an emergency, including victims who die at or in route to the hospital
5928	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 228	Allows DMV to issue "Men's Health" license plates to enhance public awareness of efforts to treat and cure prostate cancer
5945	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 221	Requires DMV to study the feasibility of (1) establishing a lottery program for license plate numbers, and (2) permitting the sale of license plate numbers on its website
6021	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 467	(1) Requires the DEEP commissioner to administer pilot test programs at state agencies for test subjects that meet the State Agency Energy Efficiency or Renewable Energy Technology Test Program's criteria; and (2) allows another agency's commissioner to request the DEEP commissioner's approval for a test subject
6035	15-66	Establishes a process to (1) inventory Long Island Sound's (LIS) resources and uses and (2) create a plan to preserve and protect LIS
6035 § 2	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 438	Exempts certain products from the ban on nonemergency lawn care pesticide application on the grounds of preschools or schools with students in grade eight or lower
6086	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 58-71 & 88	(1) Subjects certain public works contracts awarded by municipalities to state set-aside requirements for small and minority contractors and (2) similarly applies these requirements to projects administered by certain entities receiving state assistance from quasi-public agencies
6270	15-76 (§ 2 was amended by 15-242 § 57)	(1) Exempts home bakeries from the law's bakery licensing requirement and (2) instead allows food prepared in private residences to be sold if the preparation is done according to regulations as required by the act
6276	15-242 § 52	Requires DCF's Youth Suicide Advisory Board to offer youth suicide prevention training
6287	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 480	Expands reporting requirements involving impaired physicians and physician assistants to cover all licensed or permitted health care professions
6321	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 427	Requires the motor vehicle dealer conveyance fee to be stated separately in advertisements
6332	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 220	Specifies that certain 16- or 17- year olds that are active members of volunteer fire departments and other emergency organizations may transport passengers and drive during restricted hours while returning from, in addition to responding to, emergencies
6435	15-194 § 3	Streamlines the municipal permitting process for installing residential photovoltaic solar systems
6454	15-24 § 9	Allows package stores to sell cigars
6532	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 242	(1) Requires each gas company to develop a district heating system incentive program, (2) requires PURA to ensure that the gas company revenue needed to fund the incentive payments is provided through a fully reconciling conservation adjustment mechanism in the company's rates, and (3) allows a district heating system's owner to charge end use customers a connection charge up to an amount equal to the incentive payment that the customer received

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6550	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 400	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Modifies the circumstances in which DSS can use extrapolation in a provider audit • Prohibits DSS from recouping overpayments based on extrapolation before certain administrative appeal procedures take place
6580	15-242 § 35	Creates a group to study rare diseases and advise the public health commissioner on certain related matters
6722	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 114 & 115	Requires all youth activity operators to make available to youth athletes and their parents or guardians a statement on concussions
6727	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 119 & 120	(1) Expands the agriculture commissioner's authority to designate people to carry out certain agency functions, including administrative proceedings and (2) eliminates a duplicate provision on his authority to delegate agents
6742	15-24 § 8	Allows farm wineries to sell brandy manufactured from Connecticut-harvested fruit and distilled in-state but off premises
6775	15-5, June Sp. Sess. § 508	Requires a law enforcement unit that hires a police officer from another law enforcement unit within two years of his or her certification to reimburse the initial law enforcement unit for a portion of the total cost of certification
6780	15-242 §§ 60-67	Requires certain health care professionals to complete continuing education on the topic of mental health conditions common to veterans and their family members
6795	15-242 §§ 36-48	Makes minor and technical revisions to various public health statutes
6802	15-53 §§ 5-8	Requires an applicant for a money transmitter license to indicate whether the business will transmit virtual currency (e.g., Bitcoin) and allows the banking commissioner to (1) deny such a license if the proposed business model poses an undue risk of financial loss to consumers and (2) place additional requirements on such a license including requiring different surety bond amounts than for other money transmitters
6804	15-235 §§ 31-37	Makes technical changes in the consumer collection agency statutes to incorporate, by reference throughout, the sections previously enacted by PA 13-253 that (1) added new fund management and recordkeeping requirements and (2) required compliance with the federal Fair Debt Collection Practices Act
6816	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 1-39, 519, & 523	Replaces existing law by moving up the deadline for creating the Connecticut Port Authority from October 1, 2015 to July 1, 2015, and, among other things, transfers responsibility for oversight of ports and harbors from the DOT to the authority
6817	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 163	Indemnifies wreckers from liability for property damage when removing vehicles from limited access highways at direction of police or a traffic authority
6819	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 169	Requires the DOT commissioner to study state rail line operations
6821	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 157-195	Makes a number of changes to motor vehicle laws, including (1) allowing DOT to acquire land for state highways, bridges, state highway maintenance storage areas, and garages through condemnation or purchase; (2) requiring the commissioner to study options for the operation of state rail lines; and (3) renaming several bridges and roads
6822	15-5, June Sp.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conforms state commercial driver's license law to federal regulations

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	Sess., §§ 196 – 219 & 513	<p>regarding self-certification and medical examinations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows, under certain circumstances, people with medically withdrawn licenses to regain their licenses • Allows the DMV commissioner to issue licenses in any way he deems secure and efficient, including producing licenses at a central location • Allows nurse practitioners and physician assistants to serve on DMV's medical advisory board • Rewrites the statutes pertaining to flashing lights, clarifying the use of and process for obtaining them • Repeals several obsolete provisions • Makes several technical and conforming changes to motor vehicle laws
6835	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 286 & 288-298	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establishes a process under which, if certain criteria are met, a student may receive more than the current maximum of 30 months of bilingual education and requires SDE to develop standards when making these decisions • Requires SDE to (1) establish an English language learner (ELL) pilot program for school districts with high percentages of ELL students for the 2015-16 and 2016-17 school years and (2) annually report on the academic progress of bilingual students
6840	15-1, June Sp. Sess., §§ 232-237	Authorizes STO bonds over five years for DOT's capital improvement program
6842 §§ 7, 8, & 10	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 48, 49, & 518	Eliminates a requirement that the budget the governor submits to the legislature include a recommended appropriation for contingencies of up to \$100,000 in each fiscal year
6843 (House Amendment "A") §§ 501-504	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 490-493	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Makes changes to the membership of the State Insurance and Risk Management Board and the Board of Protection and Advocacy for Persons with Disabilities • Generally allows municipal elected officials and employees and judges to serve as members of the Board of Regents for Higher education • Authorizes the DPH commissioner, or her designee, to issue final decisions in certain proceedings brought by or before the 14 professional licensing boards and commissions directly overseen by the department
6845 § 2	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 430	Reduces, from 0.5% to 0.4%, the percentage of tuition revenues that private occupational schools must pay into the private occupational school student protection account
6846 § 1	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 368	Limits the state ombudsman pilot program serving home- and community-based care recipients in Hartford County to within available appropriations
6846 § 2	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 369	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows the Department of Rehabilitation Services (DORS) to use available appropriations to hire additional staff, rather than specified positions • Removes a restriction on the proportion of funds DORS may use to employ special assistants
6846 § 3	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 370	Reduces HUSKY A eligibility by lowering the income limit for certain adults

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6846 § 6	15-69 § 20	Makes numerous definitional changes related to HUSKY programs to comply with the federal Affordable Care Act and conform to current DSS practice
6846 §§ 6-8	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 373 & 374	Eliminates eligibility for unsubsidized HUSKY B coverage for children with household incomes over 318% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL)
6846 § 9	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 375	Freezes Temporary Family Assistance and State Administered General Assistance (SAGA) payment standards at the FY 15 rate for the next two fiscal years
6846 § 10	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 376	Freezes State Supplement Program payment standards for the next two years
6846 § 11	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 377	For FYs 16 and 17, generally freezes nursing home rates at FY 15 levels
6846 § 12	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 378	Changes several provisions related to Medicaid rates for independent care facilities for the intellectually disabled (ICF-IDs) including (1) generally capping rates for the next two years at FY 15 levels, (2) allowing for higher rates for certain health and safety capital improvements, and (3) extending DSS's authority to pay for fair rent increases to certain ICF-IDs
6846 § 13	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 379	Freezes FY 16 and FY 17 rates at FY 15 levels, with certain exceptions, for private residential facilities and similar facilities operated by regional educational service centers that provide vocational or functional services for severely handicapped individuals
6846 § 15	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 381	Reduces, from \$1.70 to \$1.40, the amount of the dispensing fee that DSS pays to pharmacists per Medicaid prescription and generally lowers the Medicaid reimbursement rate for prescription drugs
6846 § 17	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 388	Limits reimbursement for Medicare coinsurance and deductibles to ensure the combined Medicaid and Medicare provider payment does not exceed the maximum allowed under Medicaid
6846 § 18	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 383	Limits eligibility for the state-funded portion of the Connecticut Home Care Program for Elders (CHCPE) and increases the copayment required from participants
6846 § 19	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 384	Decreases the maximum amount DSS will pay toward funeral and burial expenses for indigent individuals or SAGA recipients
6846 § 22	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 386	Eliminates DSS' obligation to pay any Medicare Part D prescription co-payments for those who are eligible for full Medicaid assistance and have Medicare Part D coverage
6846 § 23	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 391	Indefinitely extends DSS' moratorium on accepting or approving requests for a certificate of need to add new nursing home beds and eliminates, modifies, and adds exemptions to the moratorium
6846 § 24	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 392	Allows the DSS commissioner, at his discretion, to revise the payment rates of nursing homes and other facilities that are closing
6846 § 25	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 393	Establishes a four-year timeframe for DSS to transition Medicaid hospital payment rates from a hospital-specific diagnosis-related group (DRG) base rate to a more general DRG base rate
6846 § 26	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 404	(1) Requires nursing homes, if they have reason to know that a resident is likely to become financially eligible for Medicaid, to notify the resident or his or her representative, and DSS and (2) allows DSS to assess the resident and develop a care plan to help the resident transition to the community

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6847	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 347-353	Expands certain individual and group health insurance policies' required coverage of autism spectrum disorder services and treatment
6857	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 432, 433, & 514	Creates a "statutory lock box" for the Special Transportation Fund by making it a perpetual fund and restricting the use of its funds to transportation purposes only, including paying debt service on state obligations incurred for transportation purposes
6874	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 416 & 417	Allows the UConn board of trustees to provide health care coverage for UConn graduate assistants, graduate fellows, postdoctoral trainees, and certain graduate students through the CT partnership plan, provided the university pays all related premiums and expenses
6885	15-244 §§ 78-80	Allows restaurant, café, and tavern alcohol permittees to sell at retail permittee-provided sealed containers of draught beer (growlers) for off-premises consumption
6896	15-199 § 20	Requires attorneys to continue representing their clients when certain cases are transferred from Probate Court to Superior Court until either court grants the attorney's motion to withdraw or another attorney files an "in lieu of" (in place of) appearance on behalf of the client
6923	15-207	(1) Makes changes affecting evidence in sexual assault cases, such as requiring any hearing on a motion to introduce evidence of a victim's sexual conduct to be held in a camera, and (2) establishes deadlines for transferring and processing sexual assault evidence police obtain from health care facilities that collect such evidence
6926 §§ 1-10	15-84	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retroactively eliminates life sentences for offenders who were under age 18 at the time of committing their crimes, requires courts to consider certain factors of youth when sentencing offenders who committed certain crimes before turning 18, and creates alternative parole eligibility rules for certain offenders sentenced for committing crimes before turning 18 • Requires the court to state at sentencing an offender's maximum prison term and maximum number of risk reduction credits he or she may earn, if he or she was under age 18 at the time of the crime
6926 § 12	15-216 § 9	Prohibits someone convicted of 1 st degree manslaughter or 1 st degree manslaughter with a firearm from earning risk reduction credits
6932	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 413	Requires the labor commissioner, in consultation with the state treasurer, state comptroller, and commissioner of administrative services, to establish the procedures needed to implement a paid family and medical leave program
6938 § 1	15-146 § 38	Requires the chairperson of the Connecticut Health and Education Facilities Authority board to study financing options for community hospitals to make certain improvements, such as updating information technology or purchasing medical equipment
6939	15-211 §§ 16 & 17	Makes changes affecting sentencing for 1 st degree sexual assault and 1 st degree aggravated sexual assault, such as expanding when the court can order probation for these crimes and increasing the mandatory minimum sentence for the latter crime in some circumstances
6940	15-113	Establishes a pilot program for shared clean energy facilities

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6941	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 425	Requires state agencies unable to meet a request for deaf or hard of hearing interpreter services with their own staff to ask DORS to provide the services before requesting them elsewhere
6965	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 238-241	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subjects certain nonprofit hospital and college property to property taxes • Validates, for property tax purposes, the acts and proceedings of a municipality's officers and officials concerning the tax treatment of medical foundation and health system property on the 2014 grand list and prior lists • Expands the types of property for which municipalities may fix real property tax assessments to include property improvements used by or on behalf of medical foundations or health systems
6969, 7061	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 405	Creates a swimming pool assembler license, generally subject to the same provisions governing the swimming pool builder license
6980	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 341	Extends the deadline, from June 30 to September 15, by which local and regional school district superintendents must annually report to the education commissioner on the status of the teacher evaluation and support program, including evaluation frequency, aggregate evaluation ratings, and the number of unevaluated teachers
6981	15-244 § 82	Extends the hours during which certain alcohol permittees may sell alcohol for off premises consumption
6988 § 1	15-211 § 25	Narrows the applicability of a law allowing for certain master associations under the Common Interest Ownership Act to terminate and transfer their assets to a new nonstock corporation
6996	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 154	Imposes a \$1,000 penalty on dry cleaning businesses that fail to register with the revenue services commissioner, prohibits them from operating until they register, and requires the businesses to annually renew their registrations
7005	15-211 §§ 19-24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creates a 16-member Domestic Violence Offender Program Standards Advisory Council to promulgate, review, update, and amend the domestic violence offender program standards • Changes the scope of the Superior Courts' local family violence intervention units' role in the provision of victim and offender treatment services • Extends to family violence victims the right to keep certain information confidential
7016	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 264 & 285	Creates various duties relating to special education and assigns them to SDE, the education commissioner, DSS, regional education service centers, the State Board of Education, the Auditors of Public Accounts, the State Education Resource Center, and local and regional boards of education
7022	15-3, June Sp. Sess.	(1) Authorizes the DAS commissioner to enter into grant commitments on behalf of the state for 18 new school construction projects, (2) reauthorizes and changes grant commitments to nine other projects, and (3) makes changes to the laws governing school construction procedures
7024 § 5	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 300	Requires the education commissioner to comply with the following procedures before submitting an Elementary and Secondary Education Act waiver application to the federal government: (1) notice and comment

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		periods, (2) a legislative hearing and committee approval process, and (3) inclusion of additional materials in the application package
7024 §§ 1-4 & 6-9	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 326-333	Creates alternative measures for SDE to use when calculating school or district performance
7027 § 2	15-211 §18	Expands the definition of a “peace officer” to include U.S. marshals and deputy marshals
7028 §§ 1-22	15-14 §§ 21-39	Makes a number of technical changes including replacing outdated references to the Niantic Correctional Institution with York Correctional Institution and Connecticut Prison Association with Community Partners in Action
7028 § 23	15-216 §§ 3-8	Allows parole officers to access names and addresses of people holding various gun permits or certificates (the act covers more permits than HB 7028)
7028 § 24	15-216 § 2	Requires a handgun permit holder to present his or her permit to police when requested under certain circumstances
7030	15-217 § 26	Expands circumstances when the court may appoint a successor trustee for an inter vivos (living) trust
7034	15-211 § 29	Establishes procedures for (1) someone who receives a subpoena related to a civil or probate action in another state or a foreign country and who is not a party to that proceeding to object to the subpoena as an undue or unreasonable burden or expense and (2) a court to rule on a request to enforce the subpoena
7038	15-80	Requires the state treasurer to (1) establish a qualified Achieving A Better Life Experience (ABLE) program, as permitted by federal law, and (2) administer individual ABLE accounts to encourage and help eligible individuals and families save private funds to pay for qualifying expenses related to disability or blindness
7049	15-211 §§ 10-13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prohibits Medicaid providers and vendors who have been charged with certain larceny crimes from participating in accelerated rehabilitation • Excludes from participation in the pretrial alcohol education program people charged with 2nd degree manslaughter with a vessel or 1st degree reckless vessel operation while under the influence and makes other changes to eligibility based on prior convictions and program usage • Requires the drug education program portion of the pretrial drug education and community service program to be a 15-session, rather than a 15-week, program • Allows people who would otherwise participate in the family violence education program to participate in the supervised diversionary program when the court finds it is appropriate
7054	15-244 §§ 103-106	Allows the Connecticut Lottery Corporation to offer keno as a lottery game
7059	15-244 §§ 108-111	Establishes a framework for regulating the manufacture and sale of electronic nicotine delivery systems and vapor products (i.e., e-cigarettes)

Table 2: Bill Tracking by Committee

<i>Originated As Bill #</i>	<i>Enacted as Public Act #</i>	<i>Brief Explanation of Concept</i>
AGING		
706	15-236 § 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expands training requirements for employees of certain entities who care for people age 60 or older to cover elderly exploitation and abandonment Makes licensed or certified emergency medical service providers mandated reporters of elder abuse
1005 §§ 9-61	15-240	Repeals prior law about powers of attorney and enacts the Uniform Power of Attorney Act
BANKING		
920	15-53 §§ 1-3	Allows Connecticut-licensed mortgage correspondent lenders, under certain circumstances, to act as mortgage servicers without obtaining a mortgage servicer license from the banking commissioner
921	15-235 §§ 1-23	Makes several revisions to the Connecticut Truth-in-Lending Act to make it substantially similar to the federal Truth-in-Lending Act and related regulations
922	15-235 §§ 24-28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires Connecticut credit unions to file semi-annual reports with the National Credit Union Administration Allows any mailing method that provides a signature as proof of delivery when certain banks apply for name change Establishes a deadline for Connecticut banks to file annual audits Replaces statutory provisions on “home banking services” with provisions on “virtual banking” Specifies acquisition approval requirements that pertain to anti-money laundering laws
923	15-53 § 4	voids a contract or other agreement involving interest, consideration, or charges that violates the laws governing small loans and makes other changes regarding violations of these laws
6802	15-53 §§ 5-8	Requires an applicant for a money transmitter license to indicate whether the business will transmit virtual currency (e.g., Bitcoin) and allows the banking commissioner to (1) deny such a license if the proposed business model poses an undue risk of financial loss to consumers and (2) place additional requirements on such a license including requiring different surety bond amounts than for other money transmitters
6804	15-235 §§ 31-37	Makes technical changes in the consumer collection agency statutes to incorporate, by reference throughout, the sections previously enacted by PA 13-253 that (1) added new fund management and recordkeeping requirements and (2) required compliance with the federal Fair Debt Collection Practices Act
CHILDREN		
842	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 243 & 244	Requires the SDE commissioner to appoint surrogate parents for certain foster children to serve as advocates in the educational decision-making process

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1006	15-199 § 19	Allows children over age 14 who are receiving voluntary services from DCF and their parents or guardians to (1) request a probate court hearing when the department decides to terminate those services and (2) compel a probate court hearing on the adequacy of treatment plans when the children are receiving voluntary services at home
1007	15-199 §§ 3 & 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Makes several changes to permanency plan requirements for children in DCF custody including (1) requiring the commissioner to consult with the child when developing or revising the plan and (2) limiting the permanency plan goal of another planned permanent living arrangement to children age 16 and older. Gives the probate court the authority to order post-adoption sibling visitation rights for adoptions that take place in that venue
1008	15-221	Requires a study of current polices, practices, and procedures to protect children up to age 3 from unexpected death or critical injury, and a report recommending administrative and legislative action to improve them
6722	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 114 & 115	Requires all youth activity operators to make available to youth athletes and their parents or guardians a statement on concussions
6896	15-199 § 20	Requires attorneys to continue representing their clients when certain cases are transferred from Probate Court to Superior Court until either court grants the attorney's motion to withdraw or another attorney files an "in lieu of" (in place of) appearance on behalf of the client
COMMERCE		
540	15-244 § 171	Increases the aggregate cap on Insurance Reinvestment Act Tax credits by \$150 million, from \$200 to \$350 million, and makes several programmatic changes
958	15-222 § 6	Folds two Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated funds into the Connecticut Growth Fund
959	15-222 § 5	Modifies eligibility requirements for financing from the Bioscience Innovation Fund
961	15-193 §§ 3 & 4	(1) Expands the range of brownfields DECD can remediate and market to include those the state owned and transferred to other parties, (2) allows DECD to select these brownfields for its priority list of brownfields, and (3) makes other changes that expand the range of state-owned brownfields eligible for remediation and marketing
EDUCATION		
942 § 1-9	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 245-252	Maintains existing cap on certain state education formula grants to school districts for two additional fiscal years (including transportation, adult education, special education excess costs)
942 § 20	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 258	(1) Increases the number of schools that the education commissioner may select for the commissioner's network of schools and (2) removes the four school limit on the number of schools from one district that can participate at one time
942 § 21	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 259	Establishes the Office of Early Childhood as the lead agency for the federal Birth to Three program, which offers early intervention services to infants and toddlers

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942 § 30	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 307	Extends for two years (FYs 16 and 17) and modifies the criteria for prioritizing funding for additional magnet school seats
943 §§ 2(c) & (d), 4(b), 5, & 6	15-239 §§ 2(c) & (d), 5, 9, & 10	Among other things, (1) requires charter applications to contain a plan to share best practices with the board of education in the town where the proposed charter would be located, (2) requires charter school governance councils to adopt conflict of interest and anti-nepotism policies, and (3) adds contracting requirements for wholesale management services provided by a charter management organization
1097 §§ 1 & 2	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 253 & 254	(1) Makes operating grants for agricultural science and technology centers ("agriscience centers") within available appropriations and (2) for FYs 16 and 17, allows a school board to spend its agriscience grant increase even if doing so causes it to exceed the total budgeted amount for education approved by its town or regional school district
1097 § 3	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 255	(1) Expands eligibility for supplemental transportation grants for the statewide interdistrict public school attendance program ("Open Choice") and (2) authorizes these grants for FYs 15-17
1099	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 263	Establishes a Planning Commission for Education to develop and recommend the implementation of a master plan that states a clear vision and mission for a high-quality public education system for Connecticut
1102 § 1	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 287	Requires SDE to distribute, on a proportionate basis, any appropriated money for bilingual education that goes unexpended as of November 1 of each year
1102 §§ 2-4	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 338-340	Makes several changes to the bilingual teacher certification and the international teacher permit laws, making it easier for applicants to obtain these credentials
1103	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 301	Creates a process by which local and regional boards of education may obtain waivers from state statutory and regulatory requirements in exchange for demonstrating innovative ideas in place of the requirements (i.e., "innovation waivers")
6835	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 286 & 288-298	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establishes a process under which, if certain criteria are met, a student may receive more than the current maximum of 30 months of bilingual education and requires SDE to develop standards when making these decisions Requires SDE to (1) establish an ELL pilot program for school districts with high percentages of ELL students for the 2015-16 and 2016-17 school years and (2) annually report on the academic progress of bilingual students
6980	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 341	Extends the deadline, from June 30 to September 15, by which local and regional school district superintendents must annually report to the education commissioner on the status of the teacher evaluation and support program, including evaluation frequency, aggregate evaluation ratings, and the number of unevaluated teachers
7016	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 264-285	Creates various duties relating to special education and assigns them to SDE, the education commissioner, DSS, regional education service centers, the State Board of Education, the Auditors of Public Accounts, the State Education Resource Center, and local and regional boards of education
7022	15-3, June Sp. Sess.	(1) Authorizes the DAS commissioner to enter into grant commitments on behalf of the state for 18 new school construction projects, (2) reauthorizes and changes grant commitments to nine other projects, and (3) makes

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		changes to the laws governing school construction procedures
7024 §§ 1-4 & 6-9	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 326-333	Creates alternative measures for SDE to use when calculating school or district performance
7024 § 5	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 300	Requires the education commissioner to comply with the following procedures before submitting an Elementary and Secondary Education Act waiver application to the federal government: (1) notice and comment periods, (2) a legislative hearing and committee approval process, and (3) inclusion of additional materials in the application package
ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY		
121	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 56	Requires utility companies that require a potential customer to disclose his or her SSN to verify the SSN before opening a new account to ensure that it does not belong to a minor
213	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 106	(1) Allows municipalities to abate up to 100% of a gas company's annual personal property taxes to facilitate natural gas expansion projects and (2) requires the gas company to include the abatement when calculating the hurdle rate for gas expansion projects within the municipality
565	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 107	Requires the Low-Income Energy Advisory Board to recommend ways to improve the implementation of heating assistance programs, particularly those created to benefit low-income households, by coordinating and optimizing existing energy efficiency and assistance programs
570	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 102 & 103	Allows electric distribution companies to submit proposals to DEEP for a pilot program to build, own, or operate grid-side system enhancements, including energy storage systems
570 (Senate Amendment "A") § 17	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 104	Allows municipalities to abate up to 100% of the property taxes due for any tax year for any Class I renewable energy source subject to certain power purchase agreements
570	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 105	Requires the PURA to adjust an electric distribution company's residential fixed charge so that it only recovers the fixed costs and operation and maintenance expenses directly related to metering, billing, service connections, and providing customer service
570 (Senate Amendment "A") § 13	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 466	Allows PURA commissioners to privately confer or communicate with each other about matters before PURA without invoking the Freedom of Information Act's requirements for public meetings
572	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 420	Establishes an Office of State Broadband within the Office of Consumer Counsel and requires it to work to increase access to broadband to every state citizen and increase access to, and adoption of, ultra-high-speed gigabit-capable broadband networks
5469	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 109	Allows municipal electric companies that are members of a municipal electric energy cooperative to return half of a nonresidential customer's security deposit if the customer's account remains in good standing for two years
6021	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 467	(1) Requires the DEEP commissioner to administer pilot test programs at state agencies for test subjects that meet the State Agency Energy Efficiency or Renewable Energy Technology Test Program's criteria; and (2) allows another agency's commissioner to request the DEEP commissioner's approval for a test subject

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6435	15-194 § 3	Streamlines the municipal permitting process for installing residential photovoltaic solar systems
6532	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 242	(1) Requires each gas company to develop a district heating system incentive program, (2) requires PURA to ensure that the gas company revenue needed to fund the incentive payments is provided through a fully reconciling conservation adjustment mechanism in the company's rates, and (3) allows a district heating system's owner to charge end use customers a connection charge up to an amount equal to the incentive payment that the customer received
6940	15-113	Establishes a pilot program for shared clean energy facilities
ENVIRONMENT		
357 § 1	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 116	Establishes an aquaculture council to report on the state's shellfish industry and any related recommendations
366	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 436-438	(1) Establishes added notice requirements for schools that apply pesticide, including lawn care pesticide, on their premises and (2) exempts certain products from the ban on nonemergency lawn care pesticide application on the grounds of preschools or schools with students in grade eight or lower
1062	15-1, June Sp. Sess., §§ 65 & 238	Expands the purposes of a municipal grant program for bikeways, walkways, and greenways to allow a wider range of potential projects and grant recipients
1063	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 438 & 439	(1) Restricts pesticide and lawn care pesticide use on municipal playgrounds and (2) exempts certain products from the ban on nonemergency lawn care pesticide application on the grounds of preschools or schools with students in grade eight or lower
5119	15-24 § 8	Allows farm wineries to sell on their premises brandy manufactured from Connecticut-harvested fruit and distilled in-state but off the premises
5286	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 50	Phases in a ban, starting in December 2017, on the manufacture, import, sale, or offer for sale of personal care products and over-the-counter drugs with microbeads
5720 § 1	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 118	Requires the agriculture commissioner to report on the need for and viability of establishing a laboratory east of the Connecticut River to test shellfish
6035	15-66	Establishes a process to (1) inventory Long Island Sound's (LIS) resources and uses and (2) create a plan to preserve and protect LIS
6035 § 2	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 438	Exempts certain products from the ban on nonemergency lawn care pesticide application on the grounds of preschools or schools with students in grade eight or lower
6727	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 119 & 120	(1) Expands the agriculture commissioner's authority to designate people to carry out certain agency functions, including administrative proceedings and (2) eliminates a duplicate provision on his authority to delegate agents
FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING		
946	15-244 various §§	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) increases, from 6.7% to 6.99%, the marginal income tax rate for certain higher income filers; (2) delays scheduled income tax reductions for single filers; (3) fully exempts federally taxable military retirement pay from the state income tax; (4) delays by two years the scheduled increase in the earned income tax credit; (5) extends the 20% corporation income tax surcharge for two additional years, to the 2016 and 2017 income

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		<p>years and imposes a temporary 10% surcharge for the 2018 income year; (6) limits the amount of net operating loss (NOL) deduction and business tax credits corporations may use to reduce their tax liability; (7) extends the temporary cap on the maximum insurance premium tax liability that an insurer may offset through tax credits; (8) extends the temporary moratorium on issuing film and digital media production tax credits; (9) imposes a cap on the use of tax credits to reduce hospital tax liability; (10) eliminates the sales and use tax exemption for clothing and footwear costing less than \$50; and (11) limits the exemption for clothing and footwear during “sales-tax-free-week” to items costing less than \$100, rather than \$300</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establishes a mechanism for diverting projected surpluses in certain tax revenues to the Budget Reserve (i.e. “Rainy Day”) Fund • Establishes a framework for regulating the manufacture and sale of electronic nicotine delivery systems and vapor products • Allows the Connecticut Lottery Corporation to offer keno as a lottery game • Modifies the rental surcharge that applies to car, truck, and machinery rentals • Increases license renewal fees for various Department of Public Health (DPH) licensed professionals • Increases the amount towns participating in the resident trooper program must pay for the cost of employing a trooper • Transfers funds from various accounts to the General Fund • Eliminates certain disbursements from the Tobacco Settlement Fund • Diverts certain funds deposited in the Community Investment Account to the General Fund • Transfers, from the palliative marijuana administration account to the General Fund, all fees the Department of Consumer Protection collects under its regulation of palliative marijuana. • Increases the number of package store or druggist liquor permits in which a person may have an interest • Extends the allowable hours for certain off-premises alcohol sales
<p>947</p>	<p>15-1, June Sp. Sess.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Authorizes new state general obligation, STO, and revenue bonds for FY 16 and 17 • Cancels or reduces bond authorizations from prior fiscal years • Establishes new grant programs for municipalities (1) jointly constructing, maintaining, or improving a regional dog pound or (2) undertaking certain road repairs • Expands existing bond-funded grant programs for (1) general school building improvements and (2) bikeways, pedestrian walkways, and greenways
<p>1080 §§ 5 & 6</p>	<p>15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 124 & 125</p>	<p>Eliminates the deadline for taxpayers to apply to DRS for a certain type of innocent spouse relief (i.e., relief from paying taxes, interest, and penalties if a spouse or former spouse improperly reported or omitted items on a joint tax return)</p>
<p>1080 § 7</p>	<p>15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 126</p>	<p>Pushes up the deadline for employers to submit federal W-2 forms to DRS by January 31 each year</p>

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1081	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 127	Allows the special police agents the DESPP commissioner appoints to operate anywhere within DRS, rather than just in its special investigation section
1081	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 128	Extends the definition of racketeering activity under the Corrupt Organization Racketeering Act to include violations of certain cigarette tax laws
1132	15-184 § 11	Exempts for the admission tax Atlantic League professional baseball games played at Bridgeport's Harbor Yard Ballpark from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2017
1135	15-244 §§ 164-169	Establishes a mechanism for diverting projected surpluses in certain tax revenues to the Budget Reserve Fund
6840	15-1, June Sp. Sess., §§ 232-237	Authorizes STO bonds over five years for DOT's capital improvement program
6996	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 154	Imposes a \$1,000 penalty on dry cleaning businesses that fail to register with the revenue services commissioner, prohibits them from operating until they register, and requires the businesses to annually renew their registrations
7038	15-80	Requires the state treasurer to (1) establish a qualified Achieving A Better Life Experience (ABLE) program, as permitted by federal law, and (2) administer individual ABLE accounts to encourage and help eligible individuals and families save private funds to pay for qualifying expenses related to disability or blindness
7054	15-244 §§ 103-106	Allows the Connecticut Lottery Corporation to offer keno as a lottery game
7059	15-244 §§ 108-111	Establishes a framework for regulating the manufacture and sale of electronic nicotine delivery systems and vapor products (i.e., e-cigarettes)
GENERAL LAW		
388	15-24 § 2	Extends by three the hours a bowling establishment permittee may sell alcohol outside of its bar area
391	15-24 § 3	Generally allows those age 16 and 17, rather than age 18, to be employed by businesses holding an alcoholic permit
589	15-142 §§ 5 & 6	Requires insurers, HMOs, banking or financial institutions, and data brokers that collect personal information to (1) encrypt customers' personal information, (2) notify customers of unauthorized access to their personal information, and (3) provide identity theft monitoring
629	15-142 § 7	Prohibits offering a new smartphone model for retail sale in the state unless it has certain features to prevent unauthorized use
874	15-24 § 4	Limits licensed farm wineries that offer tastings of free wine or brandy samples to dispensing the samples from bottles or containers that hold up to two gallons
932	15-230 § 2	Reduces the number of calendar days, from seven to four, in which a homemaker-companion service registry must provide certain written notice for the consumer to sign
977	15-24 § 5	Allows, with limitations, certain small alcoholic liquor manufacturer permittees to sell the liquor they manufacture at retail from their premises, in sealed bottles or other containers for off-premises consumption
1077	15-244 § 81	Increases the number of package store permits in which a person may have an interest

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5033	15-24 § 6	Allows cider manufacturer permittees to offer free samples of cider and apple wine manufactured on the premises
5296	15-230 § 3	Requires compensation for those who provide material information against telephone solicitors who make certain intentionally misleading business telephone calls
5347	15-242 § 31	Prohibits using disposable natural rubber latex gloves at retail food establishments
5770	15-24 § 7	Requires certain alcohol manufacturer permittees to offer nonalcoholic beverages
6454	15-24 § 9	Allows package stores to sell cigars
6742	15-24 § 8	Allows farm wineries to sell brandy manufactured from Connecticut-harvested fruit and distilled in-state but off premises
6885	15-244 §§ 78-80	Allows restaurant, café, and tavern alcohol permittees to sell at retail permittee-provided sealed containers of draught beer (growlers) for off-premises consumption
6981	15-244 § 82	Extends the hours during which certain alcohol permittees may sell alcohol for off premises consumption
GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS		
5300	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 442-444	Establishes a “regional election monitor” within each of the state's nine planning regions to represent, consult with, and act on the secretary of the state's behalf before and during each election, primary, recanvass, and audit
6086	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 58-71 & 88	(1) Subjects certain public works contracts awarded by municipalities to state set-aside requirements for small and minority contractors and (2) similarly applies these requirements to projects administered by certain entities receiving state assistance from quasi-public agencies
6842 §§ 7, 8, & 10	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 48, 49, & 518	Eliminates a requirement that the budget the governor submits to the legislature include a recommended appropriation for contingencies of up to \$100,000 in each fiscal year
6843 (House Amendment “A”) §§ 501-504	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 490-493	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Makes changes to the membership of the State Insurance and Risk Management Board and the Board of Protection and Advocacy for Persons with Disabilities • Generally allows municipal elected officials and employees and judges to serve as members of the Board of Regents for Higher education • Authorizes the DPH commissioner, or her designee, to issue final decisions in certain proceedings brought by or before the 14 professional licensing boards and commissions directly overseen by the department
HIGHER EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT ADVANCEMENT		
399	15-231	Requires UConn and the Board of Regents for Higher Education (BOR), annually beginning by November 1, 2015, to report to the Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee on how they awarded institutional financial aid to undergraduates in the previous academic year
929	15-248	(1) Staggers the terms of the members of BOR’s student advisory committee and (2) makes two changes to the committee’s leadership
6845 § 2	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 430	Reduces, from 0.5% to 0.4%, the percentage of tuition revenues that private occupational schools must pay into the private occupational school student protection account

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HOUSING		
103	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 57	Requires landlords to include notices in leases disclosing whether dwelling units they rent have working fire sprinkler systems
408	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 418 & 419	(1) Transfers, from DCF to DOH, responsibility for administering the state's homeless youth program and (2) expands program eligibility to include homeless youth age 23 or younger, instead of only those under age 21
HUMAN SERVICES		
795	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 401	Establishes a two-generational school readiness and workforce development pilot program and creates an interagency working group
1043	15-115	Makes various changes to laws concerning continuing care facilities, including (1) consolidating and modifying reporting requirements, (2) decreasing the required amount of escrow funds facilities must maintain, and (3) lifting certain restrictions on how facilities may use escrow funds
1044 § 2	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 485	Establishes the 13-member Connecticut Low Wage Employer Advisory Board and requires it to report annually on issues including (1) causes and effects of businesses paying low wages to state residents and (2) public assistance use among such residents
6550	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 400	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Modifies the circumstances in which DSS can use extrapolation in a provider audit • Prohibits DSS from recouping overpayments based on extrapolation before certain administrative appeal procedures take place
6846 § 1	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 368	Limits the state ombudsman pilot program serving home- and community-based care recipients in Hartford County to within available appropriations
6846 § 2	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 369	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allows DORS to use available appropriations to hire additional staff, rather than specified positions • Removes a restriction on the proportion of funds DORS may use to employ special assistants
6846 § 3	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 370	Reduces HUSKY A eligibility by lowering the income limit for certain adults
6846 § 6	15-69 § 20	Makes numerous definitional changes related to HUSKY programs to comply with the federal Affordable Care Act and conform to current DSS practice
6846 §§ 6-8	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 373 & 374	Eliminates eligibility for unsubsidized HUSKY B coverage for children with household incomes over 318% of the FPL
6846 § 9	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 375	Freezes Temporary Family Assistance and SAGA payment standards at the FY 15 rate for the next two fiscal years
6846 § 10	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 376	Freezes State Supplement Program payment standards for the next two years
6846 § 11	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 377	For FYs 16 and 17, generally freezes nursing home rates at FY 15 levels
6846 § 12	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 378	Changes several provisions related to Medicaid rates for ICF-IDs including (1) generally capping rates for the next two years at FY 15 levels, (2) allowing for higher rates for certain health and safety capital improvements, and (3) extending DSS's authority to pay for fair rent increases to certain ICF-IDs
6846 § 13	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 379	Freezes FY 16 and FY 17 rates at FY 15 levels, with certain exceptions, for private residential facilities and similar facilities operated by regional

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		educational service centers that provide vocational or functional services for severely handicapped individuals
6846 § 15	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 381	Reduces, from \$1.70 to \$1.40, the amount of the dispensing fee that DSS pays to pharmacists per Medicaid prescription and generally lowers the Medicaid reimbursement rate for prescription drugs
6846 § 17	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 388	Limits reimbursement for Medicare coinsurance and deductibles to ensure the combined Medicaid and Medicare provider payment does not exceed the maximum allowed under Medicaid
6846 § 18	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 383	Limits eligibility for the state-funded portion of the CHCPE and increases the copayment required from participants
6846 § 19	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 384	Decreases the maximum amount DSS will pay toward funeral and burial expenses for indigent individuals or SAGA recipients
6846 § 22	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 386	Eliminates DSS' obligation to pay any Medicare Part D prescription co-payments for those who are eligible for full Medicaid assistance and have Medicare Part D coverage
6846 § 23	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 391	Indefinitely extends DSS' moratorium on accepting or approving requests for a certificate of need to add new nursing home beds and eliminates, modifies, and adds exemptions to the moratorium
6846 § 24	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 392	Allows the DSS commissioner, at his discretion, to revise the payment rates of nursing homes and other facilities that are closing
6846 § 25	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 393	Establishes a four-year timeframe for DSS to transition Medicaid hospital payment rates from a hospital-specific diagnosis-related group (DRG) base rate to a more general DRG base rate
6846 § 26	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 404	(1) Requires nursing homes, if they have reason to know that a resident is likely to become financially eligible for Medicaid, to notify the resident or his or her representative, and DSS and (2) allows DSS to assess the resident and develop a care plan to help the resident transition to the community
6941	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 425	Requires state agencies unable to meet a request for deaf or hard of hearing interpreter services with their own staff to ask DORS to provide the services before requesting them elsewhere
INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE		
5	15-88 §§ 2 & 3	Requires health insurance policies to cover medical services provided through telehealth if they cover the services through in-person visits between an insured and a health care provider
23	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 51	Requires the insurance commissioner to select a group-wide supervisor for certain internationally active insurance groups that are also active in Connecticut
24	15-146 §§ 7 & 8	Requires (1) health insurers to provide consumers certain coverage information at enrollment and (2) the insurance commissioner to evaluate insurers' compliance with the federal Affordable Care Act
418	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 469 & 470	Adds peer-reviewed literature to the list of sources that can recognize an off-label drug for treatment of a condition and thus require it to be covered
807	15-146 § 16	Requires Access Health CT to (1) encourage health carriers to offer plans with tiered networks and (2) offer those plans through the exchange
808	15-146 §§ 9 & 10	Requires health insurers to charge insureds for emergency services and surprise bills at the in-network level of coverage

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1024	15-142 § 5	Requires health insurers to implement and maintain a comprehensive information security program to safeguard insureds' personal information
1025	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 503-505	Allows the Connecticut health insurance exchange to form quasi-public subsidiaries, subject to certain criteria
5436 § 2	15-211 § 30	Prevents land subject to a conservation restriction held by a nonprofit land-holding organization from being acquired by adverse possession
6847	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 347-353	Expands certain individual and group health insurance policies' required coverage of autism spectrum disorder services and treatment
JUDICIARY		
652, 1109	15-4, June Sp. Sess., § 4	Expands when a prosecutor must investigate a death involving a peace officer and requires, rather than allows, appointing a prosecutor from a judicial district other than the one where the incident occurred or a special prosecutor to conduct the investigation
952	15-2, June Sp. Sess.	Reduces the penalty for most types of drug possession from felonies to misdemeanors, reduces the size of the Board of Pardons and Paroles' membership, allows the board to consider certain inmates for parole without a hearing, expands authority for expedited pardons review, makes other changes to board procedures, and includes certain victim notice provisions
1027	15-211 § 14	No longer requires the Psychiatric Security Review Board, when conditionally releasing someone under its jurisdiction, to require that the person have outpatient treatment (although treatment is still required)
1065, 1109	15-4, June Sp. Sess., § 9	Imposes civil liability when a peace officer interferes with someone taking a photo or video of the officer performing duties
1093	15-211 § 28	Increases the penalty for drivers who fail to stop after being involved in accidents causing serious physical injury or death
1094 § 1	15-211 § 4	Makes it a form of 2 nd degree assault to intentionally cause physical injury to someone by striking or kicking the other person in the head while the person is in a lying position
1094 § 2	15-211 § 15	Enhances the penalty, in most circumstances, for assaulting a state or municipal animal control officer and alters which rail personnel are covered by this enhanced penalty
1109	15-4, June Sp. Sess.	(1) Requires certain police officers to use body cameras; (2) requires police training on using force, using body cameras, and cultural competency and bias-free policing; (3) creates state grants for municipal police departments to purchase body cameras; (4) requires law enforcement agencies to record when an officer discharges a firearm or uses force likely to cause serious physical injury or death; (5) requires law enforcement units to adopt guidelines to recruit, retain, and promote minority officers; (6) prohibits units from hiring officers previously dismissed for malfeasance or serious misconduct or who resigned or retired during an investigation for such conduct; and (7) requires a unit to inform another unit about an officer's dismissal, resignation, or retirement under the circumstances described above when it knows the officer is applying for a position with the unit
1111 §§ 1-6, 8-17, & 23	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 71-87	Makes various changes to the CHRO statutes, including many minor and technical changes

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1111 § 7	15-249 § 2	Makes various procedural changes affecting discrimination complaints filed with CHRO, such as shortening certain time frames for CHRO's processing of complaints
1111 §§ 19-22	15-109 §§ 2-5	Updates obsolete terminology used in various statutes to describe individuals with certain disabilities
1129 § 2	15-216 § 9	(1) Adds to the list of crimes which make an inmate ineligible for risk reduction earned credits and (2) requires wardens to verify that an inmate being released from a prison earned the credits that are reducing his or her sentence
6923	15-207	(1) Makes changes affecting evidence in sexual assault cases, such as requiring any hearing on a motion to introduce evidence of a victim's sexual conduct to be held in a camera, and (2) establishes deadlines for transferring and processing sexual assault evidence police obtain from health care facilities that collect such evidence
6926 §§ 1-10	15-84	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retroactively eliminates life sentences for offenders who were under age 18 at the time of committing their crimes, requires courts to consider certain factors of youth when sentencing offenders who committed certain crimes before turning 18, and creates alternative parole eligibility rules for certain offenders sentenced for committing crimes before turning 18 • Requires the court to state at sentencing an offender's maximum prison term and maximum number of risk reduction credits he or she may earn, if he or she was under age 18 at the time of the crime
6926 § 12	15-216 § 9	Prohibits someone convicted of 1 st degree manslaughter or 1 st degree manslaughter with a firearm from earning risk reduction credits
6939	15-211 §§ 16 & 17	Makes changes affecting sentencing for 1 st degree sexual assault and 1 st degree aggravated sexual assault, such as expanding when the court can order probation for these crimes and increasing the mandatory minimum sentence for the latter crime in some circumstances
6988 § 1	15-211 § 25	Narrows the applicability of a law allowing for certain master associations under the Common Interest Ownership Act to terminate and transfer their assets to a new nonstock corporation
7005	15-211 §§ 19-24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creates a 16-member Domestic Violence Offender Program Standards Advisory Council to promulgate, review, update, and amend the domestic violence offender program standards • Changes the scope of the Superior Courts' local family violence intervention units' role in the provision of victim and offender treatment services • Extends to family violence victims the right to keep certain information confidential
7027 § 2	15-211 § 18	Expands the definition of a "peace officer" to include U.S. marshals and deputy marshals
7028 §§ 1-22	15-14 §§ 21-39	Makes a number of technical changes including replacing outdated references to the Niantic Correctional Institution with York Correctional Institution and Connecticut Prison Association with Community Partners in Action
7028 § 23	15-216 §§ 3-8	Allows parole officers to access names and addresses of people holding various gun permits or certificates (the act covers more permits than HB 7028)

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7028 § 24	15-216 § 2	Requires a handgun permit holder to present his or her permit to police when requested under certain circumstances
7030	15-217 § 26	Expands circumstances when the court may appoint a successor trustee for an inter vivos (living) trust
7034	15-211 § 29	Establishes procedures for (1) someone who receives a subpoena related to a civil or probate action in another state or a foreign country and who is not a party to that proceeding to object to the subpoena as an undue or unreasonable burden or expense and (2) a court to rule on a request to enforce the subpoena
7049	15-211 §§ 10-13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prohibits Medicaid providers and vendors who have been charged with certain larceny crimes from participating in accelerated rehabilitation Excludes from participation in the pretrial alcohol education program people charged with 2nd degree manslaughter with a vessel or 1st degree reckless vessel operation while under the influence and makes other changes to eligibility based on prior convictions and program usage Requires the drug education program portion of the pretrial drug education and community service program to be a 15-session, rather than a 15-week, program Allows people who would otherwise participate in the family violence education program to participate in the supervised diversionary program when the court finds it is appropriate
LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES		
910	15-17	Requires the State Board of Education to assist and encourage local and regional boards of education to include labor history and the history of free-market capitalism in their curricula
911	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 112	Allows an employee to sue for unpaid wages or benefits over an employer's past due payments to an employee welfare fund
953	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 113	Requires the state, in certain state-backed "hospitality projects," to require contracts for hotel or concession area operation or management services to include a labor peace agreement between the contractor, including any of its subcontractors, tenants, or licensees, and the labor organization representing or seeking to represent the hotel's or concession area's employees
6874	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 416 & 417	Allows the UConn board of trustees to provide health care coverage for UConn graduate assistants, graduate fellows, postdoctoral trainees, and certain graduate students through the CT partnership plan, provided the university pays all related premiums and expenses
6932	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 413	Requires the labor commissioner, in consultation with the state treasurer, state comptroller, and commissioner of administrative services, to establish the procedures needed to implement a paid family and medical leave program
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT		
1 §§ 1-22	15-244 §§ 183-205	Restructures the state's payment in lieu of taxes (PILOT) programs by establishing minimum annual reimbursement rates and a method for disbursing PILOT grants when appropriations are not enough to fund the full grant amounts
1 §§ 23 & 25	15-244 §§ 206 & 208	(1) Allows municipalities and special taxing districts to tax motor vehicles at a different rate than other taxable property and (2) caps the motor vehicle mill rate

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1 § 24	15-244 §§ 207 & 209	Establishes a schedule for distributing sales tax revenue directed to the Municipal Revenue Sharing Account
1 §§ 26-30	15-244 §§ 211-215	Authorizes councils of government to establish a property tax base revenue sharing program
1 § 56	15-234 § 15	Eliminates fee tails (a person holds land in “fee tail” when the deed or will which conveyed the land specifically states that the conveyance is to a person “and the heirs of his or her body”)
448	15-188	Allows a reemployed Connecticut Municipal Employees' Retirement System (CMERS) participant to collect CMERS benefits as long as he or she does not participate in CMERS during the reemployment
6965	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 238-241	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subjects certain nonprofit hospital and college property to property taxes • Validates, for property tax purposes, the acts and proceedings of a municipality's officers and officials concerning the tax treatment of medical foundation and health system property on the 2014 grand list and prior lists • Expands the types of property for which municipalities may fix real property tax assessments to include property improvements used by or on behalf of medical foundations or health systems
PUBLIC HEALTH		
812 §§ 1, 2, & 5	15-146 §§ 20-22 & 24	Establishes a statewide health information exchange and makes various related changes concerning electronic health records
813 §§ 1-5	15-146 §§ 1-6 (§ 2 was amended by 15-242 § 58)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requires the Connecticut Health Insurance Exchange to establish a consumer health information website and creates related reporting requirements • Requires each health carrier to maintain a website and toll-free telephone number allowing consumers to request and obtain information on in- and out-of-network costs • Makes various other changes concerning health care pricing information and related topics
815	15-146 § 19	Requires the state to review variations in health care providers' prices and insurance reimbursement rates
815	15-146 §§ 29 & 35	Requires the state to conduct a cost and market impact review of certain hospital ownership transfers that considers factors related to the transacting parties' business and relative market positions
916 § 10	15-146 § 28	Requires the state to hire an independent monitor for a specified period of time after certain hospital ownership transfers are completed; the new owner must pay the monitor's costs
954	15-146 §§ 30 & 33	Requires reporting of information on financial gain by certain individuals in connection with a hospital sale
955	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 345	Transfers funding for certain DPH programs (e.g., needle and syringe exchange, AIDS services, and breast and cervical cancer detection and treatment, among others) from the General Fund to the Insurance Fund
955	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 520	Repeals a statutory provision authorizing DPH to establish and administer a program to provide financial assistance to community health centers
993	15-146 § 13	Places certain limits on allowable facility fees for outpatient health care services

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1000	15-242 § 33	Requires DPH to study food-borne disease outbreaks, including the information communicated to the public after confirmed outbreaks
5528 § 6	15-242 § 32	Requires DPH to study the (1) potential advantages of licensing certain certified behavior analysts and (2) inclusion of board certified behavior analysts and assistant behavior analysts in school special planning and placement teams
5896	15-242 § 34	Creates a 12-member task force, instead of an advisory council, to study childhood nutrition including (1) promoting healthier eating habits and promoting and providing healthier school meals and (2) developing a nutrition education program for local and regional school districts to adopt and integrate into their physical education curriculum
5907	15-242 § 51	Expands the requirements for hospitals to notify EMS responders, through designated officers, that may have been exposed to infectious diseases when treating, assisting, or transporting a victim of an emergency, including victims who die at or in route to the hospital
6270	15-76 (§ 2 was amended by 15-242 § 57)	(1) Exempts home bakeries from the law's bakery licensing requirement and (2) instead allows food prepared in private residences to be sold if the preparation is done according to regulations as required by the act
6276	15-242 § 52	Requires DCF's Youth Suicide Advisory Board to offer youth suicide prevention training
6287	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 480	Expands reporting requirements involving impaired physicians and physician assistants to cover all licensed or permitted health care professions
6580	15-242 § 35	Creates a group to study rare diseases and advise the public health commissioner on certain related matters
6795	15-242 §§ 36-48	Makes minor and technical revisions to various public health statutes
6938 § 1	15-146 § 38	Requires the chairperson of the Connecticut Health and Education Facilities Authority board to study financing options for community hospitals to make certain improvements, such as updating information technology or purchasing medical equipment
PUBLIC SAFETY		
770	15-4, June Sp. Sess., §§ 7 & 8	Requires police officers, beginning July 1, 2016, to use body cameras
1014	15-244 § 170	Requires participating resident trooper towns to pay (1) 85% of the compensation, maintenance, and other expenses of the first two troopers assigned to the town and (2) 100% of such costs for any additional troopers assigned there
6775	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 508	Requires a law enforcement unit that hires a police officer from another law enforcement unit within two years of his or her certification to reimburse the initial law enforcement unit for a portion of the total cost of certification
6969, 7061	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 405	Creates a swimming pool assembler license, generally subject to the same provisions governing the swimming pool builder license
TRANSPORTATION		
481	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 164	Requires DOT, DEEP, and DESPP to develop and implement an enhanced accident response plan and report annually to various legislative committees

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503	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 426-428	Requires motor vehicle dealers to tell prospective buyers that conveyance fees are negotiable and requires Program Review and Investigations to report to Transportation Committee on conveyance fees
506	15-79, as amended by 15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 236	Requires drive only licenses to have language on back stating that they cannot be used as identification for voting
5928	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 228	Allows DMV to issue "Men's Health" license plates to enhance public awareness of efforts to treat and cure prostate cancer
5945	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 221	Requires DMV to study the feasibility of (1) establishing a lottery program for license plate numbers, and (2) permitting the sale of license plate numbers on its website
6321	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 427	Requires the motor vehicle dealer conveyance fee to be stated separately in advertisements
6332	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 220	Specifies that certain 16- or 17- year olds that are active members of volunteer fire departments and other emergency organizations may transport passengers and drive during restricted hours while returning from, in addition to responding to, emergencies
6816	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 1-39, 519, & 523	Replaces existing law by moving up the deadline for creating the Connecticut Port Authority from October 1, 2015 to July 1, 2015, and, among other things, transfers responsibility for oversight of ports and harbors from the DOT to the authority
6817	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 163	Indemnifies wreckers from liability for property damage when removing vehicles from limited access highways at direction of police or a traffic authority
6819	15-5, June Sp. Sess., § 169	Requires the DOT commissioner to study state rail line operations
6821	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 157-195	Makes a number of changes to motor vehicle laws, including (1) allowing DOT to acquire land for state highways, bridges, state highway maintenance storage areas, and garages through condemnation or purchase; (2) requiring the commissioner to study options for the operation of state rail lines; and (3) renaming several bridges and roads
6822	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 196-219 & 513	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conforms state commercial driver's license law to federal regulations regarding self-certification and medical examinations • Allows, under certain circumstances, people with medically withdrawn licenses to regain their licenses • Allows the DMV commissioner to issue licenses in any way he deems secure and efficient, including producing licenses at a central location • Allows nurse practitioners and physician assistants to serve on DMV's medical advisory board • Rewrites the statutes pertaining to flashing lights, clarifying the use of and process for obtaining them • Repeals several obsolete provisions • Makes several technical and conforming changes to motor vehicle laws
6857	15-5, June Sp. Sess., §§ 432, 433, & 514	Creates a "statutory lock box" for the Special Transportation Fund by making it a perpetual fund and restricting the use of its funds to transportation purposes only, including paying debt service on state obligations incurred for transportation purposes

Table 2 (continued)

<i>Originated As Bill #</i>	<i>Enacted as Public Act #</i>	<i>Brief Explanation of Concept</i>
VETERANS' AFFAIRS		
520	15-244 § 65	Fully exempts federally taxable military retirement pay from the state income tax
6780	15-242 §§ 60-67	Requires certain health care professionals to complete continuing education on the topic of mental health conditions common to veterans and their family members

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