

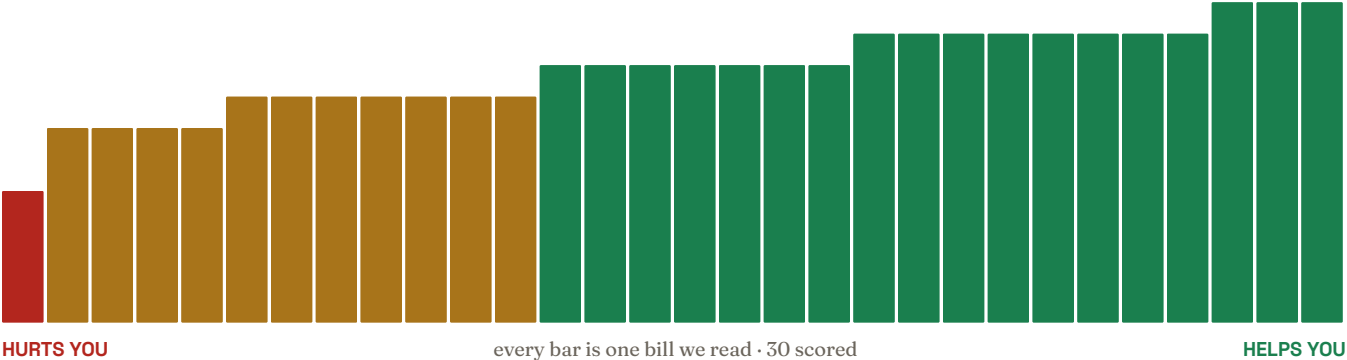


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Connecticut Bill Book

2026

The Connecticut bills that matter most, each scored 1–10 on one question: does it help everyday people, or the interests behind it?



Our take on the left. The bill on the right. Room for your notes.

Every spread is one bill, twice.

On the **left** is our take: the Billometer score, what the bill means for you, and the factor-by-factor reasoning behind that score. On the **right** is the bill on the record: its official title, its status, where to read the real text, and space for your own notes.

THE BILLOMETER

One number, 1 to 10, answering a single question: does this help everyday people or hurt them? 1–4 hurts, 5–6 is mixed, 7–10 helps. It is our editorial judgement — which is exactly why every page shows the reasoning behind it. If you disagree with a score, you can see precisely where you disagree.

HOW THESE BILLS WERE CHOSEN

Ranked, not cherry-picked. This edition prints the 10 lowest-scoring and 10 highest-scoring of the 30 Connecticut bills we have fully analysed. A bill only qualifies if it passed our verification step, has a recorded official status, and has its reasoning attached. Thin entries are left out rather than padded. Note that only 143 bills in the entire country score 3 or below, so in most places the bottom of the list is not evil — it is merely mixed, and we label it that way.

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10 worst, 10 best

THE WORST — LOWEST SCORING

- 3/10** SB00043 **The Equipment Sparks Bill** — Half tax credit for equipment sparks debate in Connecticut
- 5/10** HB05177 **The School Equipment Bill** — Tax credit for manufacturers donating school equipment
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- 5/10** HB05571 **The Institutions & Investors Bill** — New tax credits could help financial institutions and investors
- 6/10** HB05041 **The Affordable Health Bill** — Connecticut considers new options for affordable health care
- 6/10** HB05007 **The Veterans Property Bill** — State would cover tax losses for veterans' property exemptions
- 6/10** HB05068 **The Credit Costs Bill** — State to help towns with veterans tax credit costs
- 6/10** HB05070 **The Restart Companies Bill** — Connecticut may restart tax help for companies to hire
- 6/10** HB05195 **The Swap Lawns Bill** — Tax credit for businesses that swap lawns for meadows

THE BEST — HIGHEST SCORING

- 9/10** HB05114 **The Renters Money Bill** — Connecticut could give renters money back for paying rent
- 9/10** HB05226 **The Power & Protections Bill** — Mobile home park residents get more power and protections
- 9/10** HB05478 **The Students Internships Bill** — Students could get more paid internships in Connecticut
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- 8/10** HB05009 **The Homes & Cars Bill** — New tax credit could save families money on homes and cars
- 8/10** HB05061 **The Homes & Cars Bill** — Bigger tax credits for homes and cars are on the table
- 8/10** HB05112 **The Loans & Medical Bill** — Tax relief for student loans and medical debt proposed
- 8/10** HB05113 **The Student & Medical Bill** — New tax break for people with student and medical debt
- 8/10** HB05134 **The Child Credit Bill** — New child tax credit could help families in Connecticut

The Equipment Sparks Bill

Half tax credit for equipment sparks debate in Connecticut

CT SB00043 • Money & Damages

3/10 **OBLITERATE**
Hurts everyday people

1 • hurts you

helps you • 10

WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

Citizens could see less money for public services because the state would give big companies a big tax break, while those companies get cheaper equipment and higher profits.

WHY IT SCORES 3/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability (hurts)** — Corporate tax breaks reduce oversight.
Bill gives corporations a credit, less scrutiny on spending
- Rights & Protections (neutral)** — No direct impact on personal rights.
Bill deals with tax, not civil rights
- Who Bears the Cost (hurts)** — Tax credit shifts revenue to taxpayers.
State loses tax revenue, public may fund services
- Process Transparency (neutral)** — Bill just introduced, no special transparency.
Standard committee referral

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: Corporations

Bearing the cost: Taxpayers

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (1R / 0D)

THE BILL ITSELF

An Act Concerning The Tax Credit For Machinery And Equipment.

CT SB00043

Introduced · recorded 2026-02-04

WHAT IT DOES

The bill would let corporations claim a credit equal to half the cost of new machines they install, cutting the money they pay in state taxes.

WHO IT'S WRITTEN FOR

Manufacturing

READ IT YOURSELF

[Official text \(CT SB00043\)](#) —

https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=SB00043&which_year=2026

[LegiScan — SB00043](#) — <https://legiscan.com/CT/bill/SB00043/2026>

[Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted](#) — www.obillerate.com/bill/ct-sb00043-106811

YOUR NOTES

The School Equipment Bill

Tax credit for manufacturers donating school equipment

CT HB05177 • Consumer Protection

5/10

TOLERATE

Mixed — some good, some bad



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

The bill could help schools get more handson tools for students, but it also reduces the money the state collects, which could affect other services. It is still early in the process, so people can speak up now.

WHY IT SCORES 5/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability** (neutral) — no new oversight.
Bill adds tax credit but does not create new accountability mechanisms.
- Rights & Protections** (neutral) — no impact on rights.
Does not affect individual legal rights.
- Who Bears the Cost** (hurts) — tax credit reduces revenue.
State loses tax revenue, shifting cost to all taxpayers.
- Process Transparency** (neutral) — standard committee referral.
Bill is at early stage, no special transparency measures.

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: Manufacturers
Bearing the cost: State taxpayers

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Democrat-sponsored (OR / 2D)

THE BILL ITSELF

An Act Establishing A Tax Credit For Manufacturers That Donate Equipment Or Supplies To Manufacturing Training Programs At Public Schools.

CT HB05177

 Introduced · recorded 2026-02-11

WHAT IT DOES

Manufacturers can get a tax break when they give equipment or supplies to public school manufacturing classes, which means less tax money for the state.

WHO IT’S WRITTEN FOR

Manufacturers

READ IT YOURSELF

[Official text \(CT HB05177\)](#) — https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=HB05177&which_year=2026
[LegiScan — HB05177](#) — <https://legiscan.com/CT/bill/HB05177/2026>
[Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted](#) — www.obillerate.com/bill/ct-hb05177-113405

YOUR NOTES

The Angel Investor Bill

State looks at angel investor tax credit program

CT HB05466 • Money & Damages

5/10

TOLERATE

Mixed — some good, some bad



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

If the group recommends changes, investors could get bigger tax breaks or new rules, which may affect how much money flows to new businesses and could shape future startup funding.

WHY IT SCORES 5/10 — THE RECEIPTS

Accountability (neutral) — Creates a group but does not add new oversight..
Neutral impact on holding officials accountable.

Rights & Protections (neutral) — Does not change any rights for citizens..
No direct effect on personal legal protections.

Who Bears the Cost (neutral) — No new spending or cost shift is specified..
Financial impact unclear.

Process Transparency (helps) — A study could make the tax credit program more open..
Potentially improves public understanding.

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Sponsorship unclear

THE BILL ITSELF

An Act Concerning The Angel Investor Tax Credit Program.

CT HB05466 Introduced · recorded 2026-03-05

WHAT IT DOES

The bill would set up a group to study the angel investor tax credit program and suggest possible changes.

WHO IT’S WRITTEN FOR

Investors

READ IT YOURSELF

Official text (CT HB05466) — https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=HB05466&which_year=2026
LegiScan — HB05466 — <https://legiscan.com/CT/bill/HB05466/2026>
Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/ct-hb05466-129448

YOUR NOTES

The Milk Producers Bill

Milk producers get tax credit when prices fall

CT HB05570 • Money & Damages

5/10

TOLERATE

Mixed — some good, some bad



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

Farmers could stay afloat during lowprice months, but taxpayers would foot the refund, so voters should weigh the cost to the budget against helping local dairy farms.

WHY IT SCORES 5/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability** (neutral) — no change.
does not alter oversight
- Rights & Protections** (neutral) — no impact.
does not affect personal rights
- Who Bears the Cost** (hurts) — taxpayers fund credit.
refundable credit reduces state revenue
- Process Transparency** (neutral) — neutral.
bill text is straightforward

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Bipartisan sponsorship (4R / 3D)

HOW THEY VOTED

J · 2026-03-30 — passed
Yes 17R/36D · No 0R/0D

An Act Concerning A Tax Credit For Milk Producers.

Introduced · recorded 2026-03-20

The state would give dairy farms a refundable tax credit when federal milk prices drop below their production costs.

Milk producers

Official text (CT HB05570) —

https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=HB05570&which_year=2026

LegiScan — HB05570 — <https://legiscan.com/CT/bill/HB05570/2026>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/ct-hb05570-136230

The Institutions & Investors Bill

New tax credits could help financial institutions and investors

CT HB05571 • Money & Damages

5/10

TOLERATE

Mixed — some good, some bad



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

If this bill passes, it might help big businesses save on taxes, but everyday people may not see any benefits. It's important to think about who really gains from these tax breaks.

WHY IT SCORES 5/10 — THE RECEIPTS

Funding Tilt (helps) — This bill favors financial institutions with tax credits..
The tax credits benefit big businesses like financial institutions.

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: qualified operators and financial institutions
Bearing the cost: Unknown

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Sponsorship unclear

HOW THEY VOTED

J • 2026-03-31 — passed
Yes 11R/36D • No 7R/0D

An Act Establishing A Tax Credit For Qualified Operators And A Working Group To Examine Market-based Sourcing For Certain Investment Assets Income And Concerning The Angel Investor Tax Credit And The Definitions For Certain Tax Credits.

CT HB05571

This bill would create tax credits for certain businesses and investors, which could help them save money.

Big Business

Official text (CT HB05571) —

LegisScan — HB05571 — <https://legiscan.com/CT/bill/HB05571/2026>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/ct-hb05571-136247

The Affordable Health Bill

Connecticut considers new options for affordable health care

CT HB05041 • Healthcare & Insurance

6/₁₀ **TOLERATE**
Mixed — some good, some bad



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

Now is the time to support this bill because it could help make health care more affordable for everyone in Connecticut.

WHY IT SCORES 6/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability** (neutral) — The bill aims to improve accountability in health care options..
The study could lead to better health care choices.
- Rights & Protections** (helps) — It could enhance health care rights for everyday people..
More affordable options may protect people's health care rights.
- Who Bears the Cost** (neutral) — Costs might shift to small businesses initially..
Tax credits aim to help small businesses manage costs.
- Process Transparency** (helps) — The study process could be open and informative..
Transparency in the study could help people understand changes.

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Democrat-sponsored (OR / 2D)

HOW THEY VOTED

J · 2026-04-20 — passed

Yes 2R/33D · No 16R/1D

THE BILL ITSELF

An Act Concerning A Study Of A Connecticut Option For Affordable Health Care, Health Insurer Requirements For Certain Generic Drugs, Tax Credits For Small Business Health Care Arrangements And Worker Portable Benefit Accounts.

CT HB05041 Introduced · recorded 2026-02-05

WHAT IT DOES

This bill would study ways to make health care cheaper and better for people in Connecticut.

WHO IT'S WRITTEN FOR

Everyday People

READ IT YOURSELF

[Official text \(CT HB05041\)](#) —

https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=HB05041&which_year=2026

[LegiScan — HB05041](#) — <https://legiscan.com/CT/bill/HB05041/2026>

[Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted](#) — www.obillerate.com/bill/ct-hb05041-108003

YOUR NOTES

The Veterans Property Bill

State would cover tax losses for veterans' property exemptions

CT HB05007 · Money & Damages

6/10

TOLERATE

Mixed — some good, some bad



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

If this bill passes, towns won't lose money when giving veterans tax breaks. This could help keep local services strong. It's important to support veterans while also protecting town budgets.

WHY IT SCORES 6/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Funding Tilt (helps)** — State funding support.
The bill shifts the financial burden from towns to the state.

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: municipalities
Bearing the cost: Unknown

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (14R / 1D)

THE BILL ITSELF

An Act Fully Reimbursing Municipalities For Revenue Loss Associated With A Veterans Property Tax Credit.

CT HB05007

 Introduced · recorded 2026-02-04

WHAT IT DOES

This bill would help towns by making the state pay back money lost from veterans' tax breaks.

WHO IT’S WRITTEN FOR

Everyday People

READ IT YOURSELF

[Official text \(CT HB05007\)](#) — https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=HB05007&which_year=2026
[LegiScan — HB05007](#) — <https://legiscan.com/CT/bill/HB05007/2026>
[Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted](#) — www.obillerate.com/bill/ct-hb05007-106722

YOUR NOTES

The Credit Costs Bill

State to help towns with veterans tax credit costs

CT HB05068 · Money & Damages

6/10

TOLERATE

Mixed — some good, some bad



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

If this bill passes, towns might get some money back to help with costs. This could help keep local services strong for everyone, especially veterans.

WHY IT SCORES 6/10 — THE RECEIPTS

Funding Tilt (helps) — State support for local costs.
The bill provides state funding to help municipalities.

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: municipalities

Bearing the cost: Unknown

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (1R / 0D)

An Act Concerning Reimbursements To Municipalities For Revenue Loss Associated With A Veterans Property Tax Credit.

Introduced · recorded 2026-02-06

This bill would help towns pay for a tax break for veterans, which could save money for local services.

Everyday People

Official text (CT HB05068) —

https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=HB05068&which_year=2026

LegiScan — HB05068 — <https://legiscan.com/CT/bill/HB05068/2026>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/ct-hb05068-109680

The Restart Companies Bill

Connecticut may restart tax help for companies to hire

CT HB05070 • Work & Wages

6_{/10} **TOLERATE**
Mixed — some good, some bad



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

This bill wants to bring back a program that gives tax breaks to businesses if they create new jobs. On one hand, more jobs sound good for everyone. It could help people find work and boost the state's economy. But on the other hand, giving tax breaks means the state collects less money. That money usually pays for things like schools, roads, or healthcare. So, while businesses might get a boost, regular people might see...

WHY IT SCORES 6/10 — THE RECEIPTS

Accountability (hurts) — Less state revenue from tax breaks means less money available for public services, potentially reducing accountability for those services..
Reestablishing a tax credit program means the state would collect less tax money. This...

Rights & Protections (neutral) — Does not directly impact individual rights or protections..
The bill focuses on business tax credits and does not directly change individual rights...

Who Bears the Cost (hurts) — Taxpayers would bear the cost of reduced state revenue from tax breaks..
If businesses get tax breaks, the state collects less money. This means other taxpayers...

Process Transparency (neutral) — No information suggests a lack of transparency in the legislative process..
The bill is in the early stages of the legislative process, and there is no information...

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: Businesses that expand jobs

Bearing the cost: Connecticut taxpayers

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (1R / 0D)

An Act Reestablishing The Job Expansion Tax Credit Program.

Introduced · recorded 2026-02-06

This bill would give companies tax breaks to hire more people, which could mean more jobs but also less money for public services.

Businesses

Official text (CT HB05070) —

https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=HB05070&which_year=2026

LegiScan — HB05070 — <https://legiscan.com/CT/bill/HB05070/2026>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/ct-hb05070-109668

The Swap Lawns Bill

Tax credit for businesses that swap lawns for meadows

CT HB05195 • Money & Damages

6/10

TOLERATE

Mixed — some good, some bad



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

If passed, companies could keep more money by planting meadows, which may reduce city tax revenue but also adds green space for the community.

WHY IT SCORES 6/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability** (neutral) — No new oversight or reporting required.
Bill does not change accountability mechanisms
- Rights & Protections** (neutral) — No impact on personal rights.
Bill does not affect individual legal protections
- Who Bears the Cost** (hurts) — Tax credit reduces state revenue.
Businesses keep money, taxpayers may fund services
- Process Transparency** (neutral) — Bill is still early in process.
Limited detail in summary

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Democrat-sponsored (OR / 2D)

THE BILL ITSELF

An Act Establishing A Tax Credit For Businesses That Install A Meadow In Lieu Of A Lawn.

CT HB05195

 Introduced · recorded 2026-02-11

WHAT IT DOES

The bill would let businesses lower their taxes if they replace a lawn with a meadow on their property.

WHO IT’S WRITTEN FOR

Businesses

READ IT YOURSELF

[Official text \(CT HB05195\)](#) — https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=HB05195&which_year=2026
[LegiScan — HB05195](#) — <https://legiscan.com/CT/bill/HB05195/2026>
[Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted](#) — www.obillerate.com/bill/ct-hb05195-113542

YOUR NOTES

The Renters Money Bill

Connecticut could give renters money back for paying rent

CT HB05114 • Housing & Property

9/10 **LIBERATE**
Helps everyday people



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

This bill would help people who rent their homes save money. Rent in Connecticut can be very expensive, so getting some money back from the state would make it easier for families to pay their bills. This bill is still moving through the state government, so people can still let their lawmakers know if they think this is a good idea to help everyday people.

WHY IT SCORES 9/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability** (neutral) — Neutral.
The bill does not directly impact government or corporate accountability.
- Rights & Protections** (helps) — Helps renters.
It would offer financial relief, making housing more accessible and protecting renters...
- Who Bears the Cost** (helps) — State helps renters.
The cost of the credit would be borne by the state, shifting some financial burden from...
- Process Transparency** (neutral) — Normal process.
The bill is moving through the standard legislative process.

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: Renters in Connecticut
Bearing the cost: Connecticut state budget

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Democrat-sponsored (OR / 14D)

HOW THEY VOTED

J • 2026-03-30 — passed
Yes OR/35D • No 18R/1D

An Act Establishing A Refundable Credit Against The Personal Income Tax For A Portion Of Annual Rent Payments Made By A Taxpayer For A Primary Residence In The State.

Introduced · recorded 2026-02-10

This bill would give people money back on their taxes for some of the rent they pay, helping them afford housing.

Everyday People

Official text (CT HB05114) —

https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=HB05114&which_year=2026

LegiScan — HB05114 — <https://legiscan.com/CT/bill/HB05114/2026>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/ct-hb05114-112124

The Power & Protections Bill

Mobile home park residents get more power and protections

CT HB05226 • Housing & Property

9/10 **LIBERATE**
Helps everyday people



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

This bill would help people living in mobile manufactured home parks. It would make sure they know all the fees they have to pay and get more help if they have to move. It would also give them a better chance to buy the park if it's for sale. Plus, the state would have to listen to their complaints faster, and park owners would have to give 90 days notice before raising rent. Some park owners might say these changes add too...

WHY IT SCORES 9/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability (helps)** — Increases accountability for park owners and state agencies..
Park owners would have to disclose all fees, and the Department of Consumer Protection...
- Rights & Protections (helps)** — Significantly strengthens resident rights and protections..
Residents would gain fair rent commissions, modified relocation expenses, a clearer path...
- Who Bears the Cost (helps)** — Shifts some costs and burdens from residents to park owners..
Park owners would bear the costs of detailed fee disclosures, potentially higher...
- Process Transparency (helps)** — Improves transparency for residents regarding fees and rent changes..
The bill would require owners to provide a clear list of all fees and give 90 days'...

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: Mobile home residents (through relocation expenses, potential rent savings, and clearer fees)
Bearing the cost: Mobile home park owners (through compliance costs, increased relocation expenses, and potential limits on rent increases)

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Democrat-sponsored (2R / 16D)

HOW THEY VOTED

House • 2026-04-28 — passed
Yes 40R/98D • No 7R/0D

THE BILL ITSELF

An Act Concerning Mobile Manufactured Homes And Mobile Manufactured Home Parks.

CT HB05226

 Engrossed · recorded 2026-04-28

WHAT IT DOES

This bill would give people living in mobile home parks more rights, like clearer fees, help with moving, and a better way to buy their park.

WHO IT'S WRITTEN FOR

Everyday People

READ IT YOURSELF

Official text (CT HB05226) — https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=HB05226&which_year=2026
LegiScan — HB05226 — <https://legiscan.com/CT/bill/HB05226/2026>
Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/ct-hb05226-118340

YOUR NOTES

The Students Internships Bill

Students could get more paid internships in Connecticut

CT HB05478 • Work & Wages

9/10 **LIBERATE**
Helps everyday people



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

This bill would make it easier for students to find and afford paid internships, especially those who get federal help for college. It would also help small businesses and nonprofits pay interns, which means more opportunities for everyone. This could help students get important work experience and start their careers. While the state would pay for some of these programs, it is a chance to help young people and local...

WHY IT SCORES 9/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability** (neutral) — No direct impact..
The bill does not directly change how people or organizations are held accountable for...
- Rights & Protections** (helps) — Helps students access paid work experience..
The bill would provide grants to Pell grant students and support paid internships...
- Who Bears the Cost** (helps) — State would help cover costs for students and businesses..
The state would provide grants to students and nonprofits, and extend a tax credit for...
- Process Transparency** (neutral) — No direct impact..
The bill does not directly change how transparent government or business processes are.

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: Students, small businesses, nonprofit organizations
Bearing the cost: State budget

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Democrat-sponsored (OR / 17D)

HOW THEY VOTED

J • 2026-04-17 — passed
Yes 2R/40D • No 11R/0D

An Act Supporting "learn And Earn" Internship Opportunities.

Introduced · recorded 2026-03-05

This bill would help students get paid internships and help businesses pay for them, making it easier to gain work experience.

Everyday People

Official text (CT HB05478) —

https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=HB05478&which_year=2026

LegiScan – HB05478 – <https://legiscan.com/CT/bill/HB05478/2026>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/ct-hb05478-129161

The Medicare Premium Bill

Medicare premium tax credit could lower seniors' tax bills

CT SB00042 • Healthcare & Insurance

8/10

LIBERATE

Helps everyday people



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

The bill could put money back in seniors' pockets by lowering their tax bill, making Medicare more affordable, but it also means the state loses tax revenue that could fund other services.

WHY IT SCORES 8/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability** (neutral) — No new oversight added.
Provides a benefit without creating new accountability mechanisms.
- Rights & Protections** (helps) — Expands taxpayer right to reduce tax.
Allows individuals to lower their tax bill based on Medicare spending.
- Who Bears the Cost** (hurts) — Reduces state tax revenue.
The credit shifts the cost of Medicare premiums from individuals to the state budget.
- Process Transparency** (neutral) — Standard legislative process.
Bill is introduced and referred to committee with no special transparency provisions.

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (2R / 0D)

THE BILL ITSELF

An Act Establishing A Medicare Premiums Tax Credit Against The Personal Income Tax.

CT SB00042 Introduced · recorded 2026-02-04

WHAT IT DOES

The bill would let people subtract what they pay for Medicare from the amount of income tax they owe.

WHO IT’S WRITTEN FOR

Everyday People

READ IT YOURSELF

[Official text \(CT SB00042\)](#) — https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=SB00042&which_year=2026
[LegiScan — SB00042](#) — <https://legiscan.com/CT/bill/SB00042/2026>
[Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted](#) — www.obillerate.com/bill/ct-sb00042-106626

YOUR NOTES

The Serious Condition Bill

Connecticut bill blocks insurers from denying serious condition drugs

CT SB00342 • Healthcare & Insurance

8/10 **LIBERATE**
Helps everyday people



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

Citizens could keep getting the treatments they need without insurers cutting benefits, and they get clearer contract rules, so they won't be stuck with surprise denials.

WHY IT SCORES 8/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability (helps)** — Adds oversight and study requirement.
Insurance Commissioner must conduct study on insurance statutes
- Rights & Protections (helps)** — Protects patient access to care.
Prohibits downcoding and steptherapy for serious conditions
- Who Bears the Cost (neutral)** — No clear cost shift shown.
Bill does not specify new fees or charges
- Process Transparency (helps)** — Clarifies contract terms and definitions.
Defines antisteering clause and contract duration rules

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Democrat-sponsored (OR / 10D)

HOW THEY VOTED

Senate · 2026-05-06 — passed
Yes 10R/24D · No 1R/0D

THE BILL ITSELF

An Act Concerning Health Coverage.

CT SB00342

 Engrossed · recorded 2026-05-05

WHAT IT DOES

The bill would stop health insurers from using software to downcode claims or require steptherapy for serious illnesses, protecting patients' access to needed care.

WHO IT’S WRITTEN FOR

Everyday People

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[Official text \(CT SB00342\)](#) — https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=SB00342&which_year=2026
[LegiScan — SB00342](#) — <https://legiscan.com/CT/bill/SB00342/2026>
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YOUR NOTES

The Homes & Cars Bill

New tax credit could save families money on homes and cars

CT HB05009 • Money & Damages

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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

If this bill passes, more families could get money back on their taxes, which can help pay for other things they need. Now is the time to support this change.

WHY IT SCORES 8/10 — THE RECEIPTS

Funding Tilt (helps) — Increased tax credits provide financial relief..
The bill increases the property tax credit, benefiting families.

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: families with primary residences or vehicles

Bearing the cost: Unknown

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (10R / 1D)

THE BILL ITSELF

An Act Increasing And Expanding The Property Tax Credit Against The Personal Income Tax For A Primary Residence Or Motor Vehicle.

CT HB05009 Introduced · recorded 2026-02-04

WHAT IT DOES

This bill would help families save money on taxes for their homes or cars.

WHO IT'S WRITTEN FOR

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[Official text \(CT HB05009\)](#) — https://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/cgabillstatus/cgabillstatus.asp?selBillType=Bill&bill_num=HB05009&which_year=2026
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YOUR NOTES

The Homes & Cars Bill

Bigger tax credits for homes and cars are on the table

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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

If this bill passes, more families could save money on their taxes. Now is the time to support it and help more people keep their hard-earned cash.

WHY IT SCORES 8/10 — THE RECEIPTS

Funding Tilt (helps) — Increases tax credits for individuals.
More money back for everyday people

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: everyday people

Bearing the cost: Unknown

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (1R / 0D)

THE BILL ITSELF

An Act Concerning The Property Tax Credit Against The Personal Income Tax For A Primary Residence Or Motor Vehicle.

CT HB05061

 Introduced · recorded 2026-02-06

WHAT IT DOES

This bill would let people get bigger tax credits for their homes and cars, helping them save money.

WHO IT’S WRITTEN FOR

Everyday People

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YOUR NOTES

The Loans & Medical Bill

Tax relief for student loans and medical debt proposed

CT HB05112 • Money & Damages

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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

If this bill passes, it could help many people save money on their taxes. Now is the time to support it, as it could make a big difference for those struggling with debt.

WHY IT SCORES 8/10 — THE RECEIPTS

Funding Tilt (helps) — Provides financial relief.

Exempting debt relief from taxes means more money for taxpayers.

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Democrat-sponsored (OR / 1D)

An Act Exempting From The Personal Income Tax The Amount Of State And Federal Debt Relief Received By A Taxpayer For Student Loans And Medical Debt.

CT HB05112

This bill would let people keep more money by not taxing debt relief for student loans and medical bills.

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Official text (CT HB05112) —

LegiScan — HB05112 — <https://legiscan.com/CT/bill/HB05112/2026>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/ct-hb05112-112218

The Student & Medical Bill

New tax break for people with student and medical debt

CT HB05113 • Money & Damages

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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

If this bill passes, people with cancelled debts could save money on their taxes. This is important because many people struggle with debt and need help now.

WHY IT SCORES 8/10 — THE RECEIPTS

Funding Tilt (helps) — This deduction could help reduce financial burden..
It allows taxpayers to deduct cancelled debts from their taxable income.

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Democrat-sponsored (0R / 2D)

HOW THEY VOTED

J · 2026-03-30 — passed
Yes 3R/36D · No 15R/0D

THE BILL ITSELF

An Act Establishing A Personal Income Tax Deduction For The Amount Of Cancelled Debt And Debt Relief Received By A Taxpayer For Student Loans, Medical Debt And Credit Card Debt.

CT HB05113

 Introduced · recorded 2026-02-10

WHAT IT DOES

This bill would help people by allowing them to pay less tax if they have cancelled debt from student loans, medical bills, or credit cards.

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The Child Credit Bill

New child tax credit could help families in Connecticut

CT HB05134 • Money & Damages

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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

Families could get extra money to help with costs. This could make life easier for many parents. Now is the time to support this bill.

WHY IT SCORES 8/10 — THE RECEIPTS

Funding Tilt (helps) — This bill provides financial relief to families..
The refundable tax credit would help families with children.

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: families with children

Bearing the cost: Unknown

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Democrat-sponsored (OR / 80D)

THE BILL ITSELF

An Act Establishing A Refundable Child Tax Credit.

CT HB05134

 Introduced · recorded 2026-02-10

WHAT IT DOES

This bill would give families money back on their taxes for children, helping them pay for things they need.

WHO IT’S WRITTEN FOR

Everyday People

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