

## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27

The Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee will hold a public hearing on **Monday, February 27, 2023 at 9:00 A.M. in Room 2E of the LOB and via Zoom.** The public hearing can be viewed via **YouTube Live**. In addition, the public hearing may be recorded and broadcast live on **CT-N.com**. Individuals who wish to testify must register using the **On-line Testimony Registration Form**. The registration form must contain the name of the person who will be testifying. A unique email address must be provided for each person registered to speak. Registration will close on Sunday, February 26, 2023 at 3:00 P.M. Speaker order of approved registrants will be listed in a randomized order and posted on the Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee website on Sunday, February 26, 2023 at 6:00 P.M. under Public Hearing Testimony. If you do not have internet access, you may provide testimony via telephone. To register to testify by phone, call the Phone Registrant Line at 860-240-0463 to leave your contact information. Please submit written testimony using the **On-line Testimony Submission Form**. Speakers will be limited to three minutes of testimony. The Committee encourages witnesses to submit a written statement and to condense oral testimony to a summary of that statement.

Bill Number	Bill Title	Purpose
<a href="#">HB 5306</a>	AN ACT REDUCING FILING FEES FOR SMALL BUSINESSES.	<p><b>Proposed by the House Republican Caucus</b></p> <p>This bill reduces the annual business filing fee that many small businesses pay to file annual reports with the secretary of state. PA 19-117 increased this fee to \$80 from \$20-a \$60 increase.</p>
<a href="#">SB 774</a>	AN ACT ADJUSTING CERTAIN MARGINAL RATES FOR THE PERSONAL INCOME TAX AND ESTABLISHING A CAPITAL GAINS SURCHARGE.	Increases the top 2 marginal income tax rates to 7.49% and 7.29% (currently 6.99% and 6.90%), and enacts a capital gains surcharge of 1% and .75% based on the highest 2 income tax rates.
<a href="#">HB 5673</a>	AN ACT CONCERNING THE REFORMATION OF CERTAIN TAXES AND TAX EQUITY.	<p>This bill enacts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A 5% capital gains surcharge</li> <li>• A 10% tax on digital advertising</li> <li>• Increase the Earned income Tax credit to 41.5%</li> <li>• Refundable Child Tax credit</li> <li>• Establish a state-wide property tax of 2 mils on commercial and residential property</li> <li>• Increase taxes on businesses to 11.5%</li> <li>• Require DRS to hire 50 in-house auditors that will go after the middle class or businesses taxes</li> <li>• Increase personal income taxes on wealthy earners</li> </ul>

The Public Health Committee will hold a public hearing on **Monday, February 27, 2023 at 10:00 A.M. in Room 1D of the LOB and via Zoom.** The public hearing can be viewed via **YouTube Live.** In addition, the public hearing may be recorded and broadcast live on **CT-N.com.** Individuals who wish to testify must register using the **On-line Testimony Registration Form.** The registration form must contain the name of the person who will be testifying. A unique email address must be provided for each person registered to speak. Registration will close on Sunday, February 26, 2023 at 3:00 P.M. Speaker order of approved registrants will be listed in a randomized order and posted on the Public Health Committee website on Sunday, February 26, 2023 at 6:00 P.M. under Public Hearing Testimony. If you do not have internet access, you may provide testimony via telephone. To register to testify by phone, call the Phone Registrant Line at 860-240-0569 to leave your contact information. Please submit written testimony using the **On-line Testimony Submission Form.** The first hour of the hearing is reserved for Legislators, Constitutional Officers, State Agency Heads and Chief Elected Municipal Officials. Speakers will be limited to three minutes of testimony.

Bill Number	Bill Title	Purpose
<a href="#">S.B. 1076</a>	AN ACT CONCERNING AID IN DYING FOR TERMINALLY ILL PATIENTS.	This bill allows terminally ill adults, under specified conditions, to obtain and use prescriptions to self-administer lethal medications.

## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

The Insurance and Real Estate Committee will hold a public hearing on **Tuesday, February 28, 2023 at 9:00 A.M. in Room 1B of the LOB and via Zoom.** The public hearing can be viewed via **YouTube Live.** In addition, the public hearing may be recorded and broadcast live on **CT-N.com.** Individuals who wish to testify must register using the **On-line Testimony Registration Form.** The registration form must contain the name of the person who will be testifying. A unique email address must be provided for each person registered to speak. Registration will close on Monday, February 27, 2023 at 3:00 P.M. Speaker order of approved registrants will be listed in a randomized order and posted on the Insurance and Real Estate Committee website on Monday, February 27, 2023 at 6:00 P.M. under Public Hearing Testimony. If you do not have internet access, you may provide testimony via telephone. To register to testify by phone, call the Phone Registrant Line at 860-240-0510 to leave your contact information. Please submit written testimony using the **On-line Testimony Submission Form.** The Committee requests that testimony be limited to matters related to the items on the Agenda. The first hour of the hearing is reserved for Legislators, Constitutional Officers, State Agency Heads and Chief Elected Municipal Officials. Speakers will be limited to three minutes of testimony.

Bill Number	Bill Title	Purpose
<a href="#">1113</a>	AN ACT CONCERNING FAIR RENT COMMISSIONS	This bill requires that municipalities with 5,000 or more residents establish a fair rent commission by July 1, 2024.  This is a bad bill. Last year, CT law was changed to require municipalities with 25,000 or more residents to establish a fair rent commission by July 1, 2023

		<p>(P.A. 22-30). Based on 2021 population figures, this law will require all but 38 of CT's 169 municipalities to create fair rent commissions.</p> <p>The bill is bad because:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. It is an unfunded State mandate on municipalities.</li> <li>2. The mandate will apply to rural, small municipalities with small rental markets. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. This will excessively affect many towns represented by our caucus members.</li> </ol> </li> <li>3. The mandate passed last year has not even come into effect <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Democrats are seeking to expand this program without evaluating its effectiveness at the current population level requirements – at the very least it is premature to expand this untested program.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>
<p><a href="#">6785</a></p>	<p><b>AN ACT CONCERNING EVICTED TENANTS' PERSONAL PROPERTY.</b></p>	<p>This bill would permit municipalities to opt out of paying the costs associated with the storage of an evicted tenant's property. If a municipality opts out, the state marshal shall charge the landlord the costs associated with storing evicted tenants' property.</p> <p>While this bill would alleviate the current financial burden on municipalities associated with storing evicted tenants' property, it would directly pass that cost onto the evicting landlord.</p> <p>This opt out provision would disproportionately benefit larger cities/municipalities who deal with larger volumes of evictions. These Democrat dominated cities stand to gain the most by being able to pass this cost directly to private landlords. It is a bad bill from the private landlord's perspective as they would be forced to incur more costs on top of the costs already expended for the eviction process.</p> <p>This year, raised bill SB 1045 is related in that it would totally eliminate the requirement that municipalities (or landlords) store the possessions of evicted tenants. This matter was heard for public hearing on 2/23/23</p>

## **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28**

**The Housing Committee will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, February 28, 2023 at 11:00 A.M. in Room 1A of the LOB and via Zoom. The public hearing can be viewed via [YouTube Live](#). In addition, the public hearing may be recorded and broadcast live on [CT-N.com](#). Individuals who wish to testify must register using the [On-line Testimony Registration Form](#). Registration will close on Monday, February 27, 2023 at 3:00 P.M. Speaker order of approved registrants will be listed in a randomized order and posted on the Housing Committee website on Monday, February 27, 2023 at 6:00 P.M. under Public**

Hearing Testimony. To register to testify by phone, call the Phone Registrant Line at 860-240-0342 to leave your contact information. Please submit written testimony using the [On-line Testimony Submission Form](#).

Bill Number	Bill Title	Purpose
<a href="#">6633</a>	AAC A NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND FAIR SHARE PLANS FOR MUNICIPALITIES TO INCREASE AFFORDABLE HOUSING	This bill mandates that towns create fair share housing plans and gives OPM the authority to dictate the "fair share allocation" of low-income housing to each town.
<a href="#">4</a>	AAC CONNECTICUT'S PRESENT AND FUTURE HOUSING NEEDS	<p>This bill would institute caps on rent increases to apartments and mobile homes at 4% annually plus consumer price index.</p> <p>The bill would also ban landlords from filing a Notice to Quit and executing eviction judgments between December and March every year, except for serious nuisance as defined in <a href="#">§47a-15</a>.</p>
<a href="#">5326</a>	AN ACT CONCERNING THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING APPEALS PROCESS AND REMOVING THE MUNICIPAL OPT-OUT DEADLINE FOR ACCESSORY APARTMENTS	<p><b>Proposed by House Republican Caucus</b></p> <p>The bill adds a new class of properties that may be counted towards the 10% "of dwelling units in the municipality" that are affordable, therefore exempting such municipality from the burden of proof imposed by CGS § 88-30g in affordable housing appeals.</p>