

# Connecticut Police Chiefs Association

## 2018 Legislative Summary

The attached report analyzes legislation this year at the Connecticut General Assembly from the period of February 7th through May 9th.

The association lobbyists, Hughes and Cronin, review every bill that is filed at the General Assembly. Each bill which has even the most insignificant impact on police operations is sent to the five-member legislative committee for additional review, as well as the current President.

Many of the filed bills are raised by the committee to which the bill is sent. At times, lobbyists will immediately work against a bill so that it is not raised in committee, which means the bill will not have a public hearing.

CPCA bills of interest can be sent to just about any of the 26 committees in the General Assembly. Although most bills of interest are directed to Public Safety or Judiciary, CPCA has issues that can be raised in Transportation, General Law, Human Services, and even Banking. This year, the bill which was intended to reduce criminal activity forfeiture funds, came from the Banking Committee.

The CPCA Legislative Committee decides what action should occur on each bill in consultation with Hughes and Cronin. Submission of written comment only, appearing at a public hearing, or taking no action at all, are some alternatives to bills of interest. The decision is made by considering many factors which are primarily based on the seriousness of the impact on law enforcement operations.

Lobbyists will work for or against a bill by dealing with chairpersons and members of a committee and other committees, where a bill may be sent from one committee to another, or from the floor of the House or Senate back to a committee.

In addition to committees this year, CPCA had to deal with several amendments on the floor of the House, Senate, or as substitute language in a committee. This year, numerous bills of interest to CPCA were completely changed from the bill which was reported from committee by amendments.

In some cases, a bill was defeated in a committee where it was sent from the floor, only to reappear in another bill three weeks later.

This report will cross-reference, where possible, any provisions of a bill that pertain to CPCA members. In some cases, a bill which died in committee, such as changes in DMV or DOT functions, are incorporated in a different bill. In another case, what is referred to as the "Bicycle Bill," was returned absent of several parts of the bill in an amendment to a different bill.

The only consistent, permanent part of that you have to know, is the Public Act. The only change that can occur after a bill becomes an act, is that the Governor can veto it, which the General Assembly can overturn with 75% of each chamber voting to override the veto.

A Public Act without the effective date enumerated in the act is effective October 1st. If the act is “effective upon passage,” it means it is effective at the time of signature by the Governor. An enumerated date can be any date, except for a bill with a revenue impact, which are usually, but not always, July 1st.

This year, one of the bills affecting CPCA on dual arrests in domestic violence incidents, is effective January 1st, 2019. In this case, CPCA wanted a further delayed date to allow for more officers to be trained in the new requirements. The compromise was an officer department immunity provision, which applied to officers that are not trained by the effective date of the act, and the exclusion of university and secondary school persons living together in dormitories from the definition of “domestic violence” disputes. The latter provision addresses the concerns of university police departments and local departments that have universities in a municipality without a certified police department.

It is important that the report is read for its impact on your police departments. Some Public Acts make changes that may impact procedures, information that you provide to the public or victims, penalties, or other factors.

It is particularly important to review Public Acts which are effective on passage, or those effective July 1st. These may or may not be included in the Chief States Attorney’s mandatory briefing in August, which can and will be something you have to deal with before that time.

During the session, 1397 bills were filed or raised as committee bills. The number sent to CPCA was 190 or 13.6% of the total bills. 187 Public Acts were passed. The number of original bills included in the Public Acts were well beyond 187.

### **The Following include bills and Public Acts have some impact on police services.**

- **HB 5041 AN ACT CONCERNING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE JUVENILE JUSTICE POLICY AND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE AND CONCERNING THE TRANSFER OF JUVENILE SERVICES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES TO THE COURT SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION OF THE JUDICIAL BRANCH. Public Act No. 18-31.** This bill from the Judiciary Committee, starting on July 1, 2018, transfers legal authority from the Department of Children and Families (DCF) to the judicial branch over any child who was committed to DCF as a delinquent pursuant to a juvenile court order entered before that date. This new act is effective on JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018

- **HB 5149 AN ACT CONCERNING SOBER LIVING HOMES. Public Act No. 18-171.** This bill from the Public Health Committee mandates to have a sober living home's operator report the home's certified status to the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services. The bill prohibits a sober home operator from advertising that the home is a facility certified or licensed to provide substance abuse disorder treatment services or publishing claims of a particular outcome of residents. This new act is effective on OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018.
- **HB 5163 AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING VARIOUS REVISIONS TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH STATUTES. Public Act No. 18-168** This bill from the Public Health Committee implements the Department of Public Health's recommendations regarding various revisions to the public health statutes. One of the provisions in this bill is to adopt for use in trauma data collection the most recent version of the National Trauma Data Bank's National Trauma Data Standards and Data Dictionary and nationally recognized guidelines for field triage of injured patients. This bill allows Department of Developmental Services and private providers to employ such applicants on a conditional basis until they receive and review the background check results. This new act is effective on OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018.
- **HB 5169 AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE OFFICE OF EARLY CHILDHOOD. Public Act No. 18-172** This bill from the Education Committee requires child care centers, group child care homes, and family child care homes to give their contact information to the Office of Early Childhood, rather than the local police, and requires OEC to share this information through a memorandum of understanding with the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection to be used in an emergency notification system that notifies the provider when the safety or welfare of the children at the centers or homes may be endangered. This new act is effective on JULY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018.
- **HB 5175 AN ACT CONCERNING APPEALS UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT AND PETITIONS FOR RELIEF FROM VEXATIOUS REQUESTERS. Public Act No. 18-95** This bill from the Government Administration and Elections Committee mandates a procedure under which public agencies may petition FOIC for relief from "vexatious requesters." Relief may include an order that the agency need not comply with future requests from the requester for a period of up to one year. The bill also requirements that agency petitions to FOIC be sworn under penalty of false statement and FOIC explain, in writing, its reasons for accepting or rejecting a recommendation by the executive director to deny a petition. This new act is effective on OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018.
- **HB 5177 AN ACT CONCERNING EMPLOYEE NOTIFICATION OF REQUESTS MADE UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT. Public Act No. 18-93**

This bill from the Government Administration and Elections Committee expands public agencies' duty under Freedom of Information Act to notify their employees of requests for access to these records. This new act is effective on OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018.

- **HB 5185 AN ACT CONCERNING GUARDIANSHIP APPOINTMENTS FOR INDIVIDUALS SEEKING SPECIAL IMMIGRANT JUVENILE STATUS. Public Act No. 92** This bill from the Committee of Children allows the probate court to issue those findings for certain Special Immigration Juvenile Status applicants under age 21, instead of under age 18 as under current law. This change enables 18-, 19-, and 20-year-olds who are eligible to apply for SIJS under federal law, in certain circumstances, to petition the probate court for the findings they need to make that application. This new act is effective on JULY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018.
- **HB 5241 AN ACT CONCERNING PHARMACIST AND PRACTITIONER COMPLIANCE RATES AND THE ELECTRONIC PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM. Public Act No. 18-100** This bill from the General Law Committee this bill requires the public health and consumer protection commissioners to review pharmacists' and prescribing practitioners' compliance with the electronic Prescription Drug Monitoring Program's (PMP) requirements. This bill also requires the DCP commissioner submit a report to the General Law and Public Health committees on their recommendations for increasing compliance rates. This new act is effective on JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2019.
- **HB 5247 AN ACT CONCERNING COURTHOUSE SECURITY. Special Act No. 18-11.** This bill from the Judiciary Committee allows the Chief Court Administrator to conduct an internal review to be made of the security procedures employed at courthouses. The recommendations will be submitted for legislation to enhance security of the courthouses. This new act is effective on JUNE 6<sup>TH</sup>, 2018.
- **HB5258 AN ACT CONCERNING THE REVISED UNIFORM ARBITRATION ACT. Public Act No. 18-94** This bill from the Judiciary Committee requires the increased use of arbitration in resolving disputes and revise and modernize arbitration procedures by adopting the Revised Uniform Arbitration Act. The bill generally applies to agreements to arbitrate made on or after October 1, 2018. It does not repeal the existing law on arbitration proceedings. This new act is effective on OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018.
- **HB 5257 AN ACT CONCERNING REPORTS OF ABUSE OR NEGLECT OF PERSONS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY OR AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER. Public Act No. 18-96** This bill from the Human Services Committee mandates to reduce from seventy-two to forty-eight hours, the amount of time a mandated reporter has to report the suspected abuse or neglect of a person with an intellectual disability. Under this bill, an unsuccessful attempt to make an initial report to the

commissioner, or his designee, on a weekend, holiday, or after normal business hours is not a violation if the mandated reporter makes reasonable attempts, including by phone, email, or in person. This new act is effective on JULY 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018.

- **HB 5312 AN ACT CONCERNING RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES REGARDING THE MOTOR VEHICLE STATUTES. Public Act No. 18-164** This bill from the Transportation Committee increases from \$15 to \$20, the additional fee paid by people who violate specified motor vehicle laws and regulations, such as speeding and reckless driving. The state must remit this fee to the municipalities in which the violation occurred. This new act is effective on OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018.
- **HB 5313 AN ACT CONCERNING REVISING MOTOR VEHICLE STATUTES. Public Act No. 18-165** This bill from the Transportation Committee makes numerous technical changes in the transportation statutes. Among other changes, it defines what an electronic bicycle is and the different classes that they are categorized into based on their maximum speed and ways to disengage the power source. The electronic bicycle is treated the same and must follow the same rules as those bicycles which rely strictly on manual pedal system. No class of electronic bicycles are allowed on multiuse trail or path. No person under sixteen shall ride a class 3 bicycle (electronic bicycle that disengages when the rider stops pedaling or reaches the speed of twenty-eight MPH). This new act is effective on OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018
- **HB 5314 AN ACT CONCERNING RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. Public Act No.18-167** This bill from the Transportation Committee adds a pilot program to allow vehicles to transport certain kinds of structures (motor homes, modular homes, house trailers, or sectional houses) on limited access highways. A portion of this pilot program grants movement of some specific modular homes if the transporting vehicle has three police vehicle escorts. This bill also bus shelters and partially-enclosed shelters on rail platforms to the list of state-owned where smoking is prohibited in these areas. Children under the age of 16 must wear such protective headgear to include skateboarding, non-motorized scootering, roller skating, and in-line skating. These new act is effective on OCTOBER 1<sup>st</sup> 2018
- **HB 5360 AN ACT CONCERNING REVISIONS TO CERTAIN ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND CONSERVATION PROGRAMS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND CERTAIN FARMLAND PRESERVATION PROGRAMS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND ESTABLISHING A WORKING GROUP ON MICROFIBER POLLUTION, AUTHORIZING SCHOOL INSTRUCTION AND CURRICULUM ON CLIMATE CHANGE, REQUIRING UPDATED HAZARDOUS MITIGATION PLANS FOR CERTAIN HAZARDOUS**

**CHEMICAL FACILITIES, PERMITTING SUNDAY BOW HUNTING OF DEER THROUGHOUT THE STATE AND ESTABLISHING A PILOT PROGRAM ON THE SEPARATE COLLECTION OF GLASS FROM OTHER RECYCLING PROGRAMS. Public Act No. 18-181**

This bill from the Environment Committee has a section that states that owners/ operators of certain facilities with hazardous chemicals are required to update the facility's hazard mitigation plan and any applicable evacuation plan to address risks of flooding, severe weather, or sea level rise. Updated plans must be submitted to the applicable local emergency planning committee to determine if changes to the community's plans for chemical emergencies are needed. This new act is effective on OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup> 2018

- **HB 5452 AN ACT CONCERNING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TASK FORCE ON LIFE-THREATENING ALLERGIES IN SCHOOLS. Public Act No. 18-185** This bill from the Education Committee directs policies in school districts to ensure that children with life threatening allergies are protected by having procedures to ensure they get the immediate treatment that they need in case of an emergency. This bill allows for children with a life threatening allergic condition to possess and self-administer their medication. The bill also requires related training for school transportation carriers and extends protection of the "Good Samaritan" law to cover school bus drivers rendering certain emergency first aid in response to a student's allergic reaction. This new act is effective on JULY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018.
- **HB 5446 AN ACT CONCERNING MINOR REVISIONS AND ADDITIONS TO THE EDUCATION STATUTES. Public Act No. 18-182.** This bill makes small changes to school curriculums and focuses on helping children with disabilities get the attention that is needed. This bill encourage boards of education to include instruction related to the safe haven law, it also requires DCF to provide instructional materials related to the safe haven law. This new act is effective on JULY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018
- **HB 5203 AN ACT CONCERNING ELECTRONIC PROOF OF AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE. Public Act No. 18-108** This bill from the Insurance Committee allows for an individual the option to show an electronic proof of insurance to be displayed to a law enforcement officer. The bill states that there is no liability on the officer if there is damage to the phone or other electronic device. An additional amendment in the DMV bill required all property and vehicle insurance companies must submit all information to the DMV. This new act is effective on OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup> 2018.
- **HB 5219 AN ACT CONCERNING ALLOWING APPLICANTS FOR SECURITY OFFICER LICENSES TO WORK AS SECURITY OFFICERS. Public Act No. 18-20** This bill from the Public Safety Committee allows security officer applicants to work on site while their application is still pending with the commissioner. The applicant is

allowed to work on certain sites under the supervision of a licensed security officer who has been certified for at least one year. This new act is effective on JULY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018.

- **HB 5220 AN ACT CONCERNING THIRD PARTY FINGERPRINTING SERVICES. Public Act No. 18-161** This bill from the Public Safety Committee allows for DESPP to enter into agreements with independent contractors to provide fingerprinting services to facilitate the process of criminal history records checks. The Amendment to this bill LCO 5566 establishes pursuit information from POST. 12/1/18 POST has to set up pursuit report forms and establish a standard of a pursuit. 1/1/19 Officers will be required to submit a report in which they are involved in. 1/31/20 Chief of police must annually report to POST the pursuits data from their department. 4/30/20 POST must analyze, compile, and summarize all of the pursuit's data and submit it to the Connecticut General Assembly. The law provides immunity to a police department if it does not have a procedure in place. This new act is effective on OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018.
- **HB 5229 AN ACT CONCERNING REIMBURSEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF DASHBOARD CAMERAS. Public Act No. 18-107** This bill from the Public Safety Committee expands the grant program to include reimbursing municipalities that replace dashboard cameras purchased before December 31, 2010 with those with a remote recorder in FYs 17 and FY 18. This new act is effective on JUNE 7<sup>TH</sup>, 2018.
- **HB 5252 AN ACT CONCERNING REVISIONS TO THE CONNECTICUT ANTITRUST ACT AND DISCOVERY CONDUCTED BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL IN WHISTLE-BLOWER AND FALSE CLAIMS ACTIONS. Public Act No. 18-22** This bill allows purchasers who did not buy directly from a defendant “indirect purchasers” to recover for antitrust violations by any type of defendant, not just those that sell or distribute drugs or medical devices “drug manufacturers”. If the Attorney General finds any criminal activity, it will then be reported to the Chief State’s Attorney. This new act is effective on OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup> 2018
- **HB 5429 AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE SERVICES’ RECOMMENDATIONS FOR INCREASED PENALTIES FOR CERTAIN CIGARETTE AND TOBACCO TAX VIOLATIONS. Public Act No. 18-25** This bill from the Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee increases civil and criminal penalties for various tobacco violations. The bill increases from a class D to a class C felony, penalties for repeat violations of the cigarette shipment or transport law, illegal sales of untaxed tobacco products that would be taxed, and willful delivery to DRS of fraudulent or false cigarette or tobacco products tax documents. This new law takes effect on JULY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018.
- **HB 5471 AN ACT CONCERNING VICTIM’S RIGHTS AND RESTITUTION. Public Act No. 18-128** This bill from the Judiciary Committee requires that the court on

record ask if there are any requests from the victim for restitution. The court can order an offender to make financial restitution if the victim requested or the offenders actions resulted in injury or loss. This new act is effective on OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018.

- **HB 5503 AN ACT CONCERNING THE KILLING OR INJURING OF SEEING EYE DOGS AND ASSISTANCE DOGS. Public Act No. 18-131** This bill from the Planning and Development Committee looks to hold the owner or keeper of a dog that attacks and injures or kills a Seeing Eye dog or an assistance dog liable for damages. The bill also adds training expenses to the damages to the owner of the dog that kills the assistance or guide dog. This new act is effective on JUNE 11<sup>TH</sup>, 2018.
- **HB 5517 AN ACT CONCERNING EXECUTIVE BRANCH DATA MANGEMENT AND PROSESSES. Public Act No. 18-175** This bill from the Government Administration and Elections Committee establishes data requirements for executive branch agencies as well as establishing a biennial state data plan. Municipalities and quasi-public agencies can voluntarily opt to comply with the open data provisions by submitting a written notice to the Office of Policy Management. This new act is effective on JULY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018.
- **HB 5542 AN ACT CONCERNING BUMP STOCKS AND OTHER MEANS OF ENHANCING THE RATE OF FIRE OF A FIREARM. Public Act No. 18-29** This bill from the Judiciary Committee makes it a class D felony for anyone, except a licensed firearms manufacturer fulfilling a military contract, to sell, offer to sell, otherwise transfer, or offer to transfer, purchase, possess, use, or manufacture a “rate of fire enhancement”(Bump stock). This new act is effective on OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018.
- **HB 5555 AN ACT CONCERNING THE YOUTH VIOLENCE INITIATIVE. Special Act No. 18-20** This bill from the Judiciary Committee includes Waterbury in the list of towns in which the Judicial Department give a Youth Violence Initiative grant. This new act is effective on JUNE 11<sup>TH</sup>, 2018.
- **HB 5557 AN ACT CONCERNING THE COMPETENCY OF A DEFENDANT TO STAND TRIAL. Public Act No. 18-134** This bill from the Judiciary Committee requires that if an individual is found by the examiner to have a substantial probability that with treatment, they will never regain competency, then they will be examined as to their competency no earlier than eighteen month intervals. This new act is effective OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018.
- **HB 5563 AN ACT CONCERNING ROBO CALLS AND SPOOFING. Public Act No. 18-135** This bill from the Judiciary Committee provides that a person who intentionally uses a blocking device or service to circumvent a customer’s caller ID



service or device to transmit this type of unsolicited message guilty of a class A misdemeanor. This new act is effective on OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018.

- **HB 5579 AN ACT CONCERNING COSTS FOR IGNITION INTERLOCK DEVICE SERVICES FOR PERSONS WHO ARE INDIGENT AND ARE SEEKING RESTORATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATOR'S LICENSE. Public Act 18-30** This bill from the Judiciary Committee allows ignition interlock device providers, rather than the court, to reduce or eliminate IID charges to indigent individuals who may receive the fee reduction or elimination of a IIDs. This new act is effective on OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018
- **SB 13 AN ACT CONCERNING THE FAIR TREATMENT OF INCARCERATED PERSONS. Public Act. 18-4** This bill from the Judiciary Committee makes structural changes to the York prison facility regarding the treatment of pregnant women. Some of these changes included giving pregnant inmates the right to receive medical care at the correctional institution, specialized diet, appropriate clothing and sanitary materials, opportunity for ambulatory movement, and access to treatment for postpartum depression. As well as to limit the use of restraints on pregnant inmates. This bill could end up being a standard that is implemented at the municipal level. This new act is effective on OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018.
- **SB 14 AN ACT CONCERNING SPECIAL PAROLE FOR HIGH RISK, VIOLENT AND SEXUAL OFFENDERS. Public Act 18-63** This bill from Judiciary Committee make changes to sentencing law as they pertain to special parole. This bill mandates the elimination special parole as a sentencing option for convictions of offenses related to dependency-producing drugs, prohibits the court from imposing a period of special parole unless it determines that special parole is necessary to ensure public safety, and allows the Board of Pardons and Paroles to discharge a person from the Department of Corrections custody who they believe will lead an ordinary life. This new act is effective on OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018.
- **SB 193 AN ACT CONCERNING REVISIONS TO DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION STATUTES. Public Act No. 141** This bill from the General Law Committee makes changes to the Department of Consumer Protection statutes. One of these changes is that it allows alcoholic liquor permittees authorized to serve alcohol for on premises consumption to change the type of entertainment they offer at any point during the year, not just at the time of renewal. This new act is effective on JUNE 11<sup>TH</sup>, 2018.
- **SB 194 AN ACT CONCERNING DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION LICENSE STREAMLINING. Public Act No. 18-40** This bill from the General Law Committee makes several for the Department of Consumer Protection

regarding licenses, permits, and certifications. A section of this bill allows DCP to issue a permit to sell sealed tickets to any organization or group that qualifies for a bazaar or raffle permit. This new act is effective JULY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018.

- **SB 195 AN ACT CONCERNING CHANGES TO PHARMACY AND DRUG CONTROL STATUTES. Public Act No. 18-16** This bill from the General Law Committee makes various changes to pharmacy and drug control statutes. A section of this bill requires retail and institutional pharmacies to maintain a perpetual inventory of schedule II controlled substances (e.g., methadone, morphine, and oxycodone). This new act is effective on JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2019.
- **SB 215 AN ACT CONCERNING COURT OPERATIONS. Public Act No. 18-75** This bill from the Judiciary Committee makes several changes in court procedures and operations. Some of these changes include adding to the circumstances under which a posted bail bond in a criminal proceeding must be automatically terminated and released to include when the defendant is granted admission to a diversionary program for young people charged with certain motor vehicle or alcohol-related offenses. The bill also specifies that the victim advocate, upon request, must be provided with a copy of any police report in the state's attorney's possession, rather than in the possession of the chief state's attorney's office. This new act is effective on JUNE 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2018.
- **SB 222 AN ACT CONCERNING THE APPOINTMENT OF A FIRE MARSHAL AND POLICE OFFICER AT THE CONNECTICUT AIRPORT AUTHORITY. Public Act No. 18-142** This bill from the Public Safety Committee allows the emergency services and public protection commissioner's discretion, to commission, upon Connecticut Airport Authority application, one person designated by the authority to serve as a sworn police officer with arrest powers on property, business, and airplanes owned or controlled by the authority. This new law takes effect on JUNE 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2018.
- **SB 229 AN ACT CONCERNING MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES AND CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS. Public Act No. 18-44** This bill from the Veteran's Affairs Committee requires a mandatory five bonus points on any civil service examinations to any member of the armed forces who is in the final year of such member's enlistment contract with a branch of the armed forces. This new act is effective on OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018.
- **SB 256 AN ACT CONCERNING RACIAL AND ETHNIC IMPACT STATEMENTS. Public Act No.18-78.** This bill from the Government Administration and Elections Committee, beginning with the 2019 legislative session, will require that a racial and ethnic impact statement be prepared at the request of any legislator on any bill. This new act is effective on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018.

- **SB 304 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A MATERNAL MORTALITY REVIEW PROGRAM AND COMMITTEE WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH. Public Act No 18-150.** This bill from Public Health Committee establishes the maternal mortality review program and committee within the Department of Public Health. This bill will review the causes of and trends in maternity mortality and gaps in the health care delivery system and develop recommendations for best practices to prevent future deaths. The Department of Health is also authorized to provide the committee with information it deems as necessary for the committee to make recommendations to prevent maternal deaths. This new act is effective on OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018.
- **SB 315 AN ACT CONCERNING MINOR REVISIONS TO THE STATUTES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES AND ESTABLISHING A PILOT PROGRAM TO PERMIT ELECTRONIC REPORTING BY MANDATED REPORTERS. Public Act No. 67** This bill makes minor revisions to the statutes of the Department of Children and Families and establishing a pilot program to permit electronic reporting by mandated reporters regarding child abuse and neglect. This bill starting in October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019, allows all mandated reporters of child abuse or neglect to electronically file their reports and must respond to further inquiries the department makes within 24 hours of the report. This bill broadens the definition of fictive kin caregiver to include a person who has an emotionally significant relationship with the child or the child's family amounting to a familial relationship. This new act is effective on JULY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018.
- **SB 453 AN ACT CONCERNING DAILY CLASSROOM SAFETY. Public Act No. 89** This bill from the Education Committee requires local and regional boards of education, as well as the State Department of Education (SDE), to address daily classroom safety in a manner similar to how they must address bullying and teen dating violence under current law. The superintendent of each local and regional board of education shall appoint a district safe school climate coordinator. This bill adds daily classroom safety to the items that must be included in the existing safe school climate plans. The new act takes effective on JULY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018.
- **SB 459 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE PROCESSING AND RETENTION OF FINGERPRINT RECORDS AND CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS FOR EDUCATORS. Public Act No. 18-25** This bill establishes a task force that consists of the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection, as well as numerous other heads of education throughout the state. The goal of the task force is to examine the state's system for fingerprinting and processing of state and national criminal history records checks for employees, applicants for employment, substitute teachers and volunteers of local and regional boards of education, magnet school operators and regional educational service centers. This act does not

require a CPCA representative but is something to be aware of. The new act is effective on JUNE 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2018

- **SB 466-AN ACT CONCERN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. Public Act No. 18-5.** This bill from the Judiciary Committee concerns dual arrests and defines the term of “primary aggressor”, the bill purposes to reduce dual arrests in domestic violence situations and focuses on the retraining of officers when handling domestic violence situations. CPCA worked on an amendment that made technical changes to the bill that allowed for CPCA to support it. The amendment added a provision that exempts certain college and secondary school students residing together from the primary aggressor and dual arrests provisions under the bill and existing law. CPCA was also successful in having immunity from suit in all situations where training has not yet been provided to officers under the changed procedures. This new act is effective on JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2019
- **SB 467 AN ACT CONCERNING CUSTODY AND CONTROL OF DECEDENT’S BODY. Public Act No. 18-153** This bill from the Judiciary Committee clarifies the responsibilities of funeral homes in situations involving a dispute concerning the custody and control of a decedent's body. Some of these clarifications include that a funeral home/ embalmer is not responsible for contacting or locating the decedent's relatives as well as making a funeral home not liable for refusing to accept a decedent’s body. This new act is effective on JULY 1<sup>ST</sup> 2018.
- **SB 468 AN ACT CONCERNING SERVICE OF CIVIL PROCESS ON A MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATOR OR THE OWNER OF A MOTOR VEHICLE. Public Act No. 18-56** This bill from the Judiciary Committee allows for service of process (i.e., the initiation of a civil action) on the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) commissioner under certain circumstances in cases involving licensed drivers or owners of registered vehicles who cannot be located for in-person service, regardless of their last known address. This new act is effective OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018.
- **SB 471 AN ACT CONCERNING FATAL MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT REPORTS. Public Act 18-3** This bill from the Judiciary Committee provides that an accident report be submitted after five days require in cases where a person has died as a result of an accident and a cause has not been determined that such report shall be sent to the Chief State’s Attorney. This new act is effective on OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup> 2018
- **SB 472 AN ACT CONCERNING SECURITY FREEZES ON CREDIT REPORTS, IDENTITY THEFT PREVENTION SERVICES AND REGULATIONS OF CREDIT RATING AGENCIES. Public Act No. 18-90** This bill from the Banking Committee prohibits credit rating agencies from charging a fee to consumers to place or remove a security freeze from the consumer's account, require credit rating agencies to notify other credit rating agencies of a consumer's request to place or remove a security freeze from such consumer's account, and increase the amount of identity theft prevention

or mitigation services provided after a security breach. Notification of a security breach may be delayed for a reasonable period of time if a law enforcement agency determines that a notification will impede a criminal investigation. This new act is effective on OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018

- **SB 479 AN ACT CONCERNING IMMUNITY FROM CIVIL OR CRIMINAL LIABILITY FOR PERSONS PROVIDING MEDICAL ASSISTANCE OR INTERVENTION IN A CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT CASE. Public Act No. 18-57** This bill from the Judiciary Committee extends the immunity provided to those who in good faith report suspected child abuse or neglect to medical professionals involved in the evaluation of the suspected abuse or neglect. This bill does extend immunity to malpractice that results in injury or death. This new act is effective on JULY 1, 2018, AND APPLICABLE TO ANY CIVIL ACTION PENDING ON OR FILED ON OR AFTER SAID DATE.
  
- **SB 483 AN ACT CONCERNING THE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF OPIOID DEPENDENCY AND OPIOID OVERDOSES IN THE STATE. Public Act No. 18-166** This bill from the Judiciary Committee requires the Chief Court Administrator, in consultation with the Chief Public Defender, Chief State's Attorney and the dean of The University of Connecticut School of Law, to study the feasibility of establishing one or more opioid intervention courts in the state. This bill also establishes a working group to combat the opioid epidemic in the state. This new act is effective from JUNE 1TH, 2018.
  
- **SB 509 AN ACT CONCERNING NEWLY DISCOVERED EVIDENCE. Public Act No. 18-61** This bill from the Judiciary Committee specifies that the exception based on DNA evidence applies only to criminal proceedings and allows for that exception only if the DNA evidence was not discoverable or available at the original trial and would have possibly changed the outcome of the case. This new act is effective on OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2018
  
- **SB 523 AN ACT CONCERNING AN ANIMAL ABUSE REGISTRY. Public Act No. 18-156.** This bill from the Judiciary Committee establishes an animal abuse registry set up by the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection. This bill require these arrested for abusing animals as well as those who engage in sexual contact with an animal be reported to DESPP. This new act is effective on JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2019. This bill was vetoed by the Governor on June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018. This new act will most likely be voted on and the veto of the Governor will be over turned by the Legislature on June 25<sup>th</sup>, the date set for the veto session.

## **The Following Bills Are Task Forces Which Require A Police Chief Appointment**

- **SB 17 AN ACT CONCERNING PROCEDURES RELATED TO COLLECTING AND PROCESSING SEXUAL ASSAULT EVIDENCE COLLECTION KITS. Public Act 18-83** This bill by the Public Safety Committee enhances procedures related to collecting and processing sexual assault evidence collection kits. This bill requires the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection to implement an electronic tracking system for sexual assault evidence collection kits as well as requires health care facilities that collect sexual assault evidence to contact a sexual assault counselor when a person identifies themselves as a sexual assault victim. **It also requires CPCA to appoint a member to the commission on the Standardization of the Collection of Evidence in Sexual Assault Investigations.** The commission shall make recommendations and design a sexual assault evidence kit to the Chief State's Attorney. **There is also a Sexual Assault Forensic Examiners Advisory Committee that needs an appointment by CPCA.** This new act is effective on JULY 1ST, 2018.
- **HB 5475 AN ACT CONCERNING VIEWING OF BODY CAMERA FOOTAGE DURING AN INVESTIGATION. Public Act 18-187** This bill from the Judiciary Committee establishes a task force regarding statutory provisions concerning police officers viewing body cams under certain circumstances. **CPCA has to appoint a member to this task force.** An amendment that CPCA lobbied for and was successful in their efforts, also allows one member to be appointed from a family of an officer killed in the line of duty- This new law takes effect on JUNE 14<sup>TH</sup>, 2018
- **HB 5407 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO PROMOTE EFFICIENCIES IN THE FILING OF HABEAS CORPUS MATTERS. SPECIAL Act No. 18-18** This bill from the Judiciary Committee establishes a task force to study habeas corpus matters in the state. The task force will examine methods that allow for better evaluation on applications for a writ of habeas corpus at the time of filing in order to reduce the number of frivolous applications filed. CPCA does not have an official spot on the task force, but could be appointed by a leader of the General Assembly. This new act is effective on JUNE 8TH, 2018.

## **The Following Bills Involved The Legislative Committee Review But Did Not Pass**

- **HB 5040 AN ACT CONCERNING ADJUDICATION OF CERTAIN YOUNG ADULTS IN JUVENILE COURT.** This bill from the Judiciary Committee would have allowed for individuals who are eighteen, nineteen, or twenty years of age, to be tried as juveniles. CPCA worked to kill this bill before it was brought up for a vote in the committee. This bill died in the Judiciary Committee.
- **HB 5042 AN ACT CONCERNING PROSECUTION OF LOW-RISK YOUNG OFFENDERS IN ADULT COURT.** This bill from the Judiciary Committee would have considered a minor to be under the age of twenty-one. This bill died in the Judiciary Committee.
- **HB 5111 AN ACT AUTHORIZING AND TAXING THE RETAIL SALE OF MARIJUANA.** This bill from the General Law Committee would have authorized the ability to tax retail marijuana. This bill died in committee.
- **HB 5112 AN ACT PERMITTING AND TAXING THE RETAIL SALE OF MARIJUANA.** This bill from the General Law Committee would have permitted the retail sale of marijuana and sales tax to raise revenue for the general fund and to fund substance abuse treatment services. This bill died in committee.
- **HB 5161 AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH'S RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING SEAT BELTS.** The bill from the Public Health Committee would have required all passengers in a motor vehicle or fire-fighting apparatus to wear seat belts while the vehicle is moving. This bill died on the House calendar.
- **HB 5221 AN ACT CONCERNING SECONDHAND DEALERS, PRECIOUS METALS OR STONES DEALERS AND PAWNBROKERS.** This bill from the Public Safety Committee would have allowed for secondhand dealers and precious metals or stones dealers previously licensed as pawnbrokers to continue to pay cash for any property received pursuant to such licenses past the sunset date in 2021. This bill died in committee.
- **HB 5223 AN ACT CONCERNING PURSUITS BY POLICE.** This bill from the Public Safety Committee would have only allowed officers to pursue a vehicle if the driver or occupant is suspected of the commission of a serious felony offense. It also would have required local police departments to adhere to the state-wide policy for pursuits by police officers. **A portion of this bill passed in Public Act No. 18-61.** This bill died in committee.

- **HB 5246 AN ACT ELIMINATING THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS IN THE CASE OF CERTAIN SEXUAL ASSUALT OFFENSES.** This bill from the Judiciary Committee would have eliminated the criminal statute of limitations for all felony sexual assault crimes and all other crimes involving sexual abuse, sexual exploitation, or sexual assault of a minor. It also would have increased, from one year to 10 years, the statute of limitations for 4th degree sexual assault when the victim is age 16 or older. This bill died on the House calendar.
- **HB 5249 AN ACT CONCERNING GPS MONITORING OF CONVICTED PERSONS AWAITING SENTENCING FOR AGGRAVATED SEXUAL ASSUALT.** This bill from the Judiciary Committee would have required any person awaiting sentencing for aggravated sexual assault or intended to appeal the conviction to be released pending the case's final disposition to be monitored by GPS. This bill died on the House calendar.
- **HB 5301 AN ACT PERMITTING VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS TO PROVIDE TRAFFIC CONTROL AT CERTAIN EVENTS.** This bill from the Public Safety Committee would allow volunteer fire departments to provide traffic control at certain events on a state highway or municipal road in place of police. This bill appeared as an amendment on several bills on the last few days of the Legislative Session, but did not pass. This bill died in committee.
- **HB 5303 AN ACT CONCERNING MINIMUM STANDARDS AND PRACTICES FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT UNITS AND REPORTS OF POLICE PURSUITS.** This bill from the Public Safety Committee would have required law enforcement units to receive and maintain minimum accreditation standards developed by the Police Officer Standards and Training Council, and also require the chief of police or Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection to submit an annual report regarding pursuits by police officers. **A portion of this bill was passed in Public Act. No 18- 161.** This bill died after being referred back from the House to the Appropriations Committee.
- **HB 5304 AN ACT CONCERNING THE FIREARM TRAINING NEEDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND PUBLIC PROTECTION.** This bill from the Public Safety Committee would have required the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection to conduct a study regarding its firearms training needs as well as an evaluation of each firearm training facility. This bill died on the House calendar.
- **HB 5315 AN ACT CONCERNING RAILS.** This bill from the Transportation Committee would have authorized Central New England Railroad Company to establish



their own police department and employ POST certified officers. This bill died after being referred back from the House to the Public Safety Committee.

- **HB 5367 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A WORKING GROUP TO STUDY WAYS TO PREVENT DOMESTIC DOG ATTACKS AND MITIGATE THE EFFECTS OF ANIMAL DISPOSAL ORDERS.** This bill from the Environment Committee would have convened a working group to examine the prevalence of vicious dog attacks in the state and develop recommendations for how to reduce the number of such attacks and how to mitigate the effects of disposal orders for such attacking animals on municipalities and the state. This bill would have required one police officer from a municipality to sit on the working group. This bill died on the Senate calendar.
- **HB 5391 AN ACT CONCERNING THE PREPARATION OF A TOLLING PROPOSAL AND SUPPORT FOR TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE.** This bill from the Transportation Committee would have conducted a study as to how to implement tolls on Connecticut roads for revenue gains. This bill died on the House calendar.
- **HB 5394 AN ACT CONCERNING THE LEGALIZATION AND REGULATION OF THE RETAIL SALE OF MARIJUANA.** This bill from the Appropriations Committee would have required the Office of Policy and Management to develop a plan to regulate the sale of marijuana. This bill died on the House calendar.
- **HB 5398 AN ACT PROHIBITING STATE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES FROM PROVIDING CERTAIN PROPERTY TO A FEDERAL AGENCY FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUCH PROPERTY'S FORFEITURE.** This bill from the Banking Committee would have prohibited state and local law enforcement agencies from referring, transferring, or relinquishing property seized during a lawful search or arrest to a federal agency for the purposes of forfeiting the property to the agency under the federal Controlled Substances Act. This bill died on a vote in the Judiciary Committee after being referred there from the House.
- **HB 5413 AN ACT CONCERNING THE ALVIN W. PENN RACIAL PROFILE PROHIBITION ACT.** This bill from the Judiciary Committee would have required police to issue a receipt to each motorist involved in a traffic stop no matter if they were given a warning, citation, summons, or arrest. This bill died in committee.
- **HB 5458 AN ACT CONCERNING THE REGULATION OF THE RETAIL SALE OF MARIJUANA.** This bill from the General Law Committee outlined the legalization and regulation of the retail sale of marijuana. This bill died in committee.

- **HB 5474 AN ACT CONCERNING AN ACCIDENT REPORT FOR A MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT IN WHICH A PERSON WAS KILLED.** This bill from the Judiciary Committee would have provided that an investigation of an accident report completed with respect to a motor vehicle accident in which any person was killed shall reach a conclusion as to the cause of the accident, or be referred to the state's attorney who may refer the case to the State Police for further investigation. **A portion of the bill was passed in Public Act No. 18-3.** This bill died on the House calendar.
- **HB 5485 AN ACT CONCERNING ELECTRIC BICYCLES, TRAFFIC CONTROL AND PARKING AND TRAFFIC AUTHORITIES.** This bill from the Planning and Development Committee would have defined and regulated electric bicycles; permit vehicles to turn left at a red signal under certain circumstances; permit municipal parking authorities to create or establish commuter lot networks, transit systems, bicycle share systems and motor vehicle share systems; permit traffic authorities to post certain signage; and lower the threshold to block re-registration of a passenger motor vehicle due to unpaid parking violations. **A portion of this bill passed in Public Act No. 18-165.** This Bill died in committee.
- **HB 5506 AN ACT CONCERNING THE SALE AND DISPOSITION OF PRECIOUS METALS AND STONES.** This bill from the Judiciary Committee would have required dealers in precious metals and stones to retain certain property for thirty days prior to the sale or disposition of such property. The pawn shop lobbyist was working on an amendment to reduce the thirty days of holding to a ten day period as well as repeal its sunset date of 2021 when they need to issue checks instead of cash. CPCA worked to kill the amendment and the bill was held in committee. This bill died in committee.
- **HB 5538 AN ACT CONCERNING A NON-EXPIRING AMMUNITION CERTIFICATE.** This bill from the Judiciary Committee would have created a non-expiring ammunition certificate that is in addition to existing law's five-year certificate. This bill died on the House calendar.
- **HB 5539 AN ACT CONCERNING FIREARMS IN STATE PARKS.** This bill from the Judiciary Committee would have allowed firearm permit holders to carry a gun in a Connecticut state park. This bill died on the House calendar.
- **HB 5540 AN ACT CONCERNING GHOST GUNS.** This bill from the Judiciary Committee was aimed at banning ghost guns. It would have banned guns without serial numbers and regulated gun parts that could be manufactured in the home. This bill died on the House calendar.
- **HB 5571 AN ACT CONCERNING HUMAN TRAFFICKING.** This bill from the Judiciary Committee would have established a Criminal Justice Policy Advisory Commission which would have been managed by the Office of Policy Management. This

bill would have had a police chief appointed by the Governor to sit on the commission. This bill died on the House calendar.

- **SB 132 AN ACT CONCERNING SEXUAL HARASSMENT AND SEXUAL ASSUALT.** This bill from the Judiciary Committee would have changed certain sexual assault laws in Connecticut. Some of the focuses of the bill would have expanded requirements for employers regardless of the size of to train all employees on sexual harassment laws and eliminate the criminal statute of limitations for all felony sexual assault crimes. This bill died on the House calendar.
- **SB 187 AN ACT CONCERNING THE TRANSFER OF A CHILD CHARGED WITH CERTAIN OFFENSES TO THE CRIMINAL DOCKET.** This bill from the Committee on Children would have transferred a child charged with certain offenses to the criminal docket. This would have also changed the minimum age of automatic transfer from the docket for juvenile matters to the criminal docket of the Superior Court to fourteen years of age. This bill died in the Judiciary Committee after being referred from the Senate.
- **SB 221 AN ACT INCREASING THE FINE FOR FAILING TO MOVE OVER FOR AN EMERGENCY VEHICLE AND INJURING THE OPERATOR OF THE EMERGENCY VEHICLE.** This bill from the Public Safety Committee would have increased the fine for failing to move over for an emergency vehicle and injuring the driver. This bill would have also increased the maximum fine from \$2,500 to \$5,000 that can be placed on a motorist for seriously injuring emergency response personnel. This bill died on the Senate calendar after being referred back from the Judiciary Committee.
- **SB 240 AN ACT PROMOTING THE REPORTING OF CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT.** This bill from the Judiciary Committee would have afforded certain legal protections for those that make good faith reports on child abuse and neglect. This bill died on the Senate calendar. **A portion of this bill passed in Public Acts No. 67 and No. 57.** This bill died on the Senate calendar.
- **SB 241 AN ACT CONCERNING THE PENALTY FOR THE INTENTIONAL INJURY OR KILLING OF POLICE ANIMALS OR DOGS IN VOLUNTEER CANIN SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAMS.** This bill from the Judiciary Committee would have made any person that kills a police animal while it is performing its duties is charged with a class C felony. This bill died on the House calendar.
- **SB 278 AN ACT CONCERNING MENTAL HEALTH CARE AND WELLNESS TRAINING AND SUICIDE PREVENTION FOR POLICE OFFICERS.** This bill from the Public Safety Committee would have provided certain job protections and

assistance for some public safety personnel, particularly police officers, who seek or receive mental health services. This bill died on the Senate calendar.

- **SB 279 AN ACT CONCERNING THE DATE OF BIRTH OF A POLICE OFFICER AND AN EMPLOYEE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION FROM DISCLOSING UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT.** This bill from the Public Safety Committee would have exempted the date of birth of a police officer as well as medical files from being disclosed under the Freedom of Information Act. This bill died on the Senate calendar after being referred back from the Government Administration and Elections Committee.
- **SB 290 AN ACT CONCERNING THE PENALTY FOR TAILGATING AND CONOR'S LAW REGARDING PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR WHILE SKATEBOARDING, ROLLER SKATING AND IN-LINE SKATING.** This bill from the Transportation Committee would have added a fine to a driver if they are following too closely and cause an accident. This bill also would have expanded the types of activities during which children under age 16 must wear such protective headgear to include skateboarding, non-motorized scootering, roller skating, and in-line skating, requires that protective headgear is properly fitted and fastened, and broadens the purposes for which DCP may spread awareness to include the use of protective headgear during these activities. **A portion of this bill passed in Public Act No. 167.** This bill died on the House calendar.
- **SB 291 AN ACT CONCERNING AUTONOMOUS VEHICLES.** This bill from the Transportation Committee would have set up the Department of Motor Vehicles to conduct a study on autonomous vehicles. This bill died on the Senate calendar.
- **SB 349 AN ACT CONCERNING REGIONAL ANIMAL SHELTERS.** This bill from the Environment Committee would have allowed towns with a population of less than 50,000 to be served by a regional animal control facility. This bill died on the House calendar.
- **SB 385 AN ACT CONCERNING MOVING VIOLATIONS.** This bill from the Transportation Committee aimed to increase the fee remitted to municipalities in which certain moving violations occur from fifteen dollars to twenty dollars, the bill also aimed to reduce the number of the points charged against the holder of a motor vehicle operator's license if the holder participates in a motor vehicle operator's retraining program. **A portion of this bill passed in Public Act No. 164.** This bill died on the Senate calendar.
- **SB 388 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PILOT PROGRAM FOR SPEED DETECTING CAMERAS AND CONCERNING SPEED WARNING SIGNS.** This bill from the Transportation Committee would have established a pilot program for speeding cameras in no more than four municipalities, where they would have been

allowed to place up to five speed detecting cameras in the municipality. This bill died in the Transportation Committee.

- **SB 435 AN ACT CONCERNING THE SALE AND USE OF CONSUMER GRADE FIREWORKS.** This bill from the General Law Committee would have allowed for consumer grade fireworks defined by Federal Law to be sold and used in the state. This bill died in the Judiciary Committee after being referred there by the Senate.