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The result of the vote.

35 Yea

0 Nay

The bill is adopted.

THE CLERK:

Calendar Page 12, Calendar 315, File 485, SB520, AN  
ACT CONCERNING THE ASSESSMENT OF WATER SUPPLY LAND.  
Favorable Report of the Committee on FINANCE, REVENUE  
AND BONDING.

THE CHAIR:

Senator DiBella.

SENATOR DIBELLA:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move adoption of the  
Committee's Joint Favorable Report and urge passage of  
the bill.

THE CHAIR:

Will you remark?

SENATOR DIBELLA:

Yes. This bill clarified that water supply land  
shall be valued at a fair market value of improved  
farmland and assessed at the uniform rate of 75% which  
is used for all property. This, Mr. President, is a  
bill which is one that would deal with equity. It  
would require that all lands in the State of  
Connecticut be assessed at 75% of their fair market

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value. That is the statutory law of this State and consequentially I would urge its passage.

THE CHAIR:

Further remarks on the bill? Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH:

Thank you, Mr. President. I just want to get one thing clarified, if I might, through you, to Senator DiBella.

THE CHAIR:

You may proceed.

SENATOR SMITH:

Senator, it is my understanding that this particular piece of legislation affects the case that is currently in litigation. But the implementation date or the effective date of this piece of legislation would have no impact on the current adjudication that is in process, is that correct?

SENATOR DIBELLA:

It would not affect going forward, but it would affect retrospectively whatever the case is dealing with now.

SENATOR SMITH:

In other words you think the answer is the opposite of that. Prospectively, it does not.

SENATOR DIBELLA:

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It does not apply retrospectively, it does. If the court case...are you asking..

SENATOR SMITH:

If I might, just to clarify, Senator. My understanding is that this will affect the current situation in a prospective manner and the case that is currently in deliberation will not be affected by the change so that this 75%, 100% assessment ratio, the 100% ratio that was used, I believe, by the Town of Canton, in determining the value of certain properties would be in effect until the court can make a determination, but in future cases in terms of the assessment and tax levy the 70% that is being applied in this particular bill would apply. Is that correct?

SENATOR DIBELLA:

Mr. President, I can't verify that. My understanding was that it would not affect anything in the future. But if a disposition of that...

SENATOR SMITH:

Just for clarification, for the record, this particular piece of legislation would impact the tax bill or the property on future tax lists, but would not have an impact in terms of the change in the law on the existing adjudication that is taking place.

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Further remarks? Senator DiBella.

SENATOR DIBELLA:

If there is no further discussion, Mr. President, I ask that this be placed on the Consent Calendar.

SENATOR SMITH:

Mr. President.

THE CHAIR:

Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH:

Yes, I object to it being placed on the Consent Calendar.

THE CHAIR:

Roll call.

SENATOR DIBELLA:

I move adoption...

THE CHAIR:

No, he is objecting. We will have a roll call vote. Clerk please make an announcement for immediate roll call.

THE CLERK:

Immediate roll call has been ordered in the Senate.

Will all Senators please return to the Chamber.

Immediate roll call has been ordered in the Senate.

Will all Senators please return to the Chamber.

THE CHAIR:

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Question before the Chamber is a motion to adopt Calendar 315, SB520, File 485. The machine is open. Please record your vote. Has everyone voted? The machine is closed. Clerk please tally the vote.

The result of the vote.

29 Yea

6 Nay

The bill is adopted.

Senator Scott.

SENATOR SCOTT:

I rise for a point of personal privilege.

THE CHAIR:

You may proceed.

SENATOR SCOTT:

I just want to introduce a visitor to the Chamber, Mr. Wade Simmons, from the great City of New Haven, a member of the Republican Town Committee and ask that we all extend our usual warm welcome. (Applause)

THE CHAIR:

Senator Blumenthal.

SENATOR BLUMENTHAL:

Thank you, Mr. President. While we are on the subject of announcements and personal privilege I would like to announce that there will be a Judiciary meeting tomorrow ten minutes before the House Session which is

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Mr. President, if we could turn to Agenda 4, House Bill, let me get that, Mr. President, HB5696, AN ACT CONCERNING GLOBAL WARMING.

THE CHAIR:

Senator Spellman.

SENATOR SPELLMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President, I move acceptance of the Joint Committee's bill.

THE CHAIR:

Clerk please call the bill.

THE CLERK:

Substitute for HB5696, File 704, AN ACT CONCERNING GLOBAL WARMING. (As amended by House Amendment Schedules "A", "B" and "C")

Clerk is in possession of three amendments.  
Favorable Report on the Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

SENATOR SPELLMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President, I move acceptance of the Joint Committee's Favorable Report and passage of the bill as amended by House "A", "B" and "C".

THE CHAIR:

You may proceed. Clerk is in possession of amendments.

SENATOR SPELLMAN:

Yes, Mr. President, I believe all three amendments

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have been filed by Senator Przybysz.

THE CHAIR:

Senator Przybysz.

SENATOR PRZYBYSZ:

Mr. President, I would ask that all amendments with my name be withdrawn in order to move this bill forward on this last hour-and-a-half. No further amendments, Mr. President.

THE CHAIR:

Withdrawn. Senator Spellman.

SENATOR SPELLMAN:

Thank you, Mr. President, I express my appreciation to Senator Przybysz. The bill itself is a result of a lot of work by a lot of people. It establishes a broad range of energy conservation measures, including revisions to the building code to maximize energy efficiency, and requirements to state purchase of energy-efficient appliances and vehicles.

It establishes goals for improvement of public transportation, and requires the Connecticut Public Transportation Commission to monitor progress on achieving the goals.

There's an appropriation from the special transportation fund for that purpose, so that they can monitor progress and make recommendations and annual

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reports to the Environment and Transportation  
Committee.

The bill allows the Environmental Protection  
Commissioner to require planting of trees or grass in  
connection with air-discharge permits. It reduces the  
ability of municipalities to provide tax abatement for  
multi-level parking facilities, except as necessary for  
mass transit.

THE CHAIR:

Further remarks? Senator Robertson.

SENATOR ROBERTSON:

Mr. President, thank you very much sir. If I  
might, through you, ask Senator Spellman a couple of  
questions.

THE CHAIR:

You may proceed.

SENATOR ROBERTSON:

Thank you very much. Senator Spellman, on the  
fiscal note, the very, very first part of the fiscal  
note, under state impact, it says "significant cost"  
and I'm about to read the explanations below, but I  
thought maybe you could save me the time and explain  
what the significant costs are?

THE CHAIR:

Senator Spellman, care to respond?

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SENATOR SPELLMAN:

Through you, Mr. President, other than the \$80,000 which is allocated, I'm not aware of significant costs, except as may be necessary to implement purchasing fuel efficient automobiles.

SENATOR ROBERTSON:

Mr. President.

THE CHAIR:

Senator Robertson.

SENATOR ROBERTSON:

Thank you. Again sir, through you, Senator Spellman, the \$80,000 is included in the budget?

THE CHAIR:

Senator Spellman, care to respond?

SENATOR SPELLMAN:

Through you, Mr. President, the \$80,000, I believe, is special transportation fund.

THE CHAIR:

Senator Robertson.

SENATOR ROBERTSON:

Thank you, again, Mr. President. Again, through you sir, Senator Spellman, it indicates that cars that are considered less efficient will be taxed at a higher rate. I'm assuming when they say "tax" they refer to sales tax.

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And cars that are more efficient would be taxed less. Can you explain to me how one determines whether a car is efficient or less efficient, so they would know whether their tax would be eight percent more or less.

THE CHAIR:

Senator Spellman, care to respond?

SENATOR SPELLMAN:

Through you, Mr. President, the sales tax differential was stripped by House Amendment "C".

SENATOR ROBERTSON:

Thank you very much.

THE CHAIR:

Senator Robertson.

SENATOR ROBERTSON:

Thank you very much, Mr. President.

THE CHAIR:

No further questions? Clerk please make an announcement for immediate...Senator Gunther.

SENATOR GUNTHER:

Mr. President, I rise with some concern here. I think that some of the titles and that, some of the involvements of this particular bill, calling for alternate fuels and different requirements on car efficiencies and that type of thing.

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Frankly, a lot of this could have been solved a long time ago. For the past twenty years we've been trying to get somebody to listen to the business of getting proper specifications for gasoline, for fuel oil, for the various fuels, on the gasoline and the fuels we're using right now.

Unfortunately, we can never get anybody to listen to us. Now I'd like to take you back to, oh, the middle of summer last year when there was some expose about this business.

They were dropping home heating oil into the tanks they were selling for diesel fuel, for regular cars. This is not a diesel fuel. And only because these cars were having trouble did they find out about it.

Nobody was testing. And I'll say section 23 of this bill would be a start, but it's only a really, just about spitting in the ocean on what we ought to be doing right now on fuels.

We tried to get, and when I say we, there's a group of us that have tried for a long time now, to get all these fuels tested that come into the state of Connecticut.

Unfortunately, nobody listens to us. And this one little section in the bill, you can eliminate probably a good half of this bill, and the concern on the

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transportation. The concern on the efficiencies of cars.

Because if we were getting the proper specifications of fuel, we could increase the efficiency of a car at least 20%. We could increase the life of the engine over 100%. And as I say, all this other gobbly-gook that we're getting in here, and a lot of this stuff on this global warming bill, is pretty much frosting on the cake.

We're not getting the action in the areas that we need it. It's a pretty tough thing. This is the, again, this is one of our earth bills this year. We're going to save everything and we're going have a law to do it.

And all I have to say is, it's pretty tough to go against it because of the charisma that people have in fighting this particular type of bill. You always have them pointing a finger and saying "oh, this is endorsed by" and all these people have come out of the woods and you're an anti-environmentalist if you ever say anything against it.

I think this is a mini-step in the right direction in some areas. I think it's overkill in others. But unfortunately for all of us, if you dare vote against this bill, you become anti-environmental.

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I'm afraid, Mr. President, we're almost in an area of overkill in some areas, and it's going to be quite interesting when we see the...what's going to happen over the next few years with this bill, whether we're going to have a plus or a minus on it.

And as I say, I think the only part of this bill that I can really get enthused over, is section 23, and we ought to expand on that. I'll support it, but very reluctantly.

THE CHAIR:

Clerk. Senator McLaughlin.

SENATOR MCLAUGHLIN:

Thank you, Mr. President. I was just curious to have more information. Question through you to Senator Spellman as regards to fiscal note which says the potentially significant cost in the budget for the regulations and studies which would have to be done.

I know you responded to Senator Robertson that it would be about \$80,000. Where does that figure come from?

THE CHAIR:

Senator Spellman, do you care to respond?

SENATOR SPELLMAN:

Through you, Mr. President, the \$80,000 is allocated to the CPTC for purposes of recommendations

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and...and analyzing how DOT is progressing in this regard.

I think those allocations should be sufficient to fund the bill. Any future state costs, I think are speculative and in the future.

THE CHAIR:

Remark further? Will you remark further? Senator McLaughlin.

SENATOR MCLAUGHLIN:

Yes, thank you, Mr. President. I...not a particularly adequate answer, but I don't suspect if I pressed for another answer I'd get a very much better answer, so I'll let it go at that.

THE CHAIR:

Clerk please make announcement for immediate roll call.

THE CLERK:

Immediate roll call has been ordered in the Senate.  
Will all Senators please return to the Chamber.  
Immediate roll call has been ordered in the Senate.  
Will all Senators please return to the Chamber.

THE CHAIR:

The item before us is HB5696. AN ACT CONCERNING GLOBAL WARMING, File 740. Machine is open, please cast your vote.

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Has everyone voted? Machine is closed.

Clerk please tally the vote.

The result of the vote.

36 Yea

0 Nay

The bill is adopted.

Clerk please call the next item. Senator O'Leary.

SENATOR O'LEARY:

Thank you, Mr. President. On Senate Agenda 8, I'd like to have the Clerk call SB520, and SB527, on Agenda 8.

THE CHAIR:

Clerk please call the first item.

THE CLERK:

Calling from Senate Agenda 8, for Wednesday, May 9th 1990. Disagreeing Actions, SB520, File 485. AN ACT CONCERNING THE ASSESSMENT OF WATER SUPPLY LAND.

(As amended by House Amendment Schedule "A")

Favorable Report of the Committee on FINANCE,  
REVENUE AND BONDING.

THE CHAIR:

Senator DiBella.

SENATOR DIBELLA.

Thank you, Mr. President. I move adoption of the Committee Joint Favorable Report on its passage of the

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bill in concurrence with the House Amendment.

THE CHAIR:

You may proceed.

SENATOR DIBELLA:

Yes, what this does is Town of Canton in their revaluation October 1. I'm sorry. The bill clarifies that water supply land shall be valued at fair market value of improvement farm land assessed at a uniform rate of 70% which is used for all property.

The House Amendment makes this effective October 1, 1992, instead of 1990, which would allow the towns that are discussing this to...to come to the table and discuss the issue.

THE CHAIR:

Further remarks? Senator McLaughlin.

Clerk please make announcement for immediate roll call.

THE CLERK:

Immediate roll call has been ordered in the Senate.  
Will all Senators please return to the Chamber.  
Immediate roll call has been ordered in the Senate.  
Will all Senators please return to the Chamber.

THE CHAIR:

The item before us is SB520, File Copy 485, as amended by House Amendment "A". Machine is open,

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please cast your vote.

Senator DiBella, Senator Barrows, Senator Smith,  
Senator Upson, Senator Spellman, Senator Freedman,  
Senator Atkin, Senator Hampton, Senator Gunther.

Senator Freedman. Machine is closed.

Clerk please tally the vote.

The result of the vote.

35 Yea

0 Nay

The bill is adopted.

Clerk please call the next item.

THE CLERK:

Substitute SB527, File 623. AN ACT CONCERNING  
ACTIVE RECREATIONAL AND EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES OF THE  
METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COMMISSION AND THE ISSUANCE OF  
BONDS BY SAID COMMISSION IN CONNECTION THEREWITH. (As  
amended by House Amendment Schedule "A")

Favorable Report of the Committee on FINANCE,  
REVENUE AND BONDING.

THE CHAIR:

Senator DiBella.

SENATOR DIBELLA:

Thank you, Mr. President. I move adoption of  
Committee Joint Favorable Report and urge passage of  
the bill in conjunction with House Amendment "A".

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SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

The bill as amended is passed.

CLERK:

Page 3, Calendar 520, Senate Bill 520 as well  
Calendar 20, AN ACT CONCERNING THE ASSESSMENT WATER  
SUPPLY LAND.

Favorable Report of the Committee on FINANCE,  
REVENUE AND BONDING.

REP. CIBES: (39th)

Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

Representative Cibes of the 39th.

REP. CIBES: (39th)

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I move acceptance of the  
Joint Committee's Favorable Report and passage of the  
bill.

SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

The question is on passage. Will you remark?

REP. CIBES: (39th)

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. What this bill does is  
clarify that water supply lands should be valued at the  
fair market value of improved farmland at assessed at  
the uniform rate of 70 percent which is used for all  
property.

Mr. Speaker, there is some pending litigation.

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Representative Stratton has an amendment which I think is a good amendment and we ought to proceed with.

SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

Representative Stratton of the 117th.

REP. STRATTON: (17th)

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Clerk has an amendment, LCO4597, which I would ask him to call and I would briefly summarize.

SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

The Clerk please call LCO4597, designated House "A".

CLERK:

LCO4597, House "A", offered by Representative Stratton.

SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

The question is on summarization. Is there objection? Representative Stratton.

REP. STRATTON: (17th)

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This amendment merely delays the date of enactment of this for two years until 1992.

SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

Will you remark further?

REP. STRATTON: (17th)

I move adoption.

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SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

Will you remark further on the amendment? If not  
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REP. STRATTON: (17th)

Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

Representative Stratton.

REP. STRATTON: (17th)

I would like to remark briefly on this. For many towns which lost large amounts of land and very valuable taxables property, when it was condemned by the MDC, the bill before us would abrogate a compromise that was reached in 1978 between the towns and the MDC whereby that property was valued as an improved farm land rather than as the very valuable dam and reservoir and watershed land that it really is.

In return, the towns were allowed to assess that property at 100 percent of its fair market value rather than the more standard 70 percent. As has been alluded to, this has led to constant court battles between the MDC and the towns and while I'm in agreement that it makes sense for both parties to work out a new process for evaluation and tax assessment of these lands, I don't believe that this bill does that fairly and therefore by delaying its implementation for two years,

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we give both parties an opportunity to reach something that is mutually agreeable and I urge adoption.

REP. CIBES: (39th)

Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

Representative Cibes.

REP. CIBES: (39th)

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Obviously, the parties in litigation have disagreed about this matter. If the litigation is resolved, then obviously the party who wins, wins. The delay of the effective date I think is reasonable, provided that litigation isn't resolved or even if it is.

I urge adoption.

SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

The question is on adoption. Will you remark? If not, we'll try your minds. Representative Fleming of the 16th.

REP. FLEMING: (16th)

Yes, Mr. Speaker, if I might, a question to Representative Stratton.

SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

Proceed, Representative Fleming.

SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

Representative Stratton, your amendment would delay

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the implementation of this bill for two years and my question is, is after -- since there is pending litigation on this, after the two-year period is up, if the court ruled differently than when this bill goes into effect, then the Town of Canton, in a sense, would still be subject to the provisions of this act, is that correct, through you, Mr. Speaker?

SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

Representative Stratton.

REP. STRATTON: (17th)

I am not an attorney, through you, Mr. Speaker, but I think that the assessment would remain whatever the court decides it is in the interim and then this would become the law for future assessments. I think it's important to remember that Canton is only one of those nine towns and this bill affects all of them which is the real reason that I think it's in the interest of all of them to sit down and come up with an alternative method of assessment.

REP. FLEMING: (16th)

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

Will you remark further? If not, we'll try your minds. All those in favor signify by saying aye.

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Aye.

SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

Opposed nay.

The ayes have it.

The amendment is adopted.

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House Amendment Schedule "A":

In line 33, strike "1990" and insert in lieu thereof "1992"

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SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

Will you remark further on the bill as amended?

Representative Gordes of the 62nd.

REP. GORDES: (62nd)

Through you, Mr. Speaker, a question to the proponent of the bill.

SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

Proceed, sir.

REP. GORDES: (62nd)

Yes, sir. Through you, Representative Cibes, although we have put it off to date for a two-year period here for the implementation, was there a municipal impact on the fiscal note, through you, Mr. Speaker?

SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

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Representative Cibes.

REP. CIBES: (39th)

Through you, Mr. Speaker, as Representative Gordes might see from the fiscal impact statement on the underlying copy, the municipal impact says potential revenue loss, the bill would preclude any additional revenue in future years to Canton and other towns with water supply land in the event that the court decides in favor of Canton.

If the court agrees with Canton, the towns with MDC water supply land would receive an additional \$500,000 per year in revenue from the MDC. That would be precluded at the effective date of this act.

REP. GORDES: (62nd)

Through you, Mr. Speaker, another question.

SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

Will you remark further? If not, staff and guests

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REP. GORDES: (62nd)

Mr. Speaker, through you.

SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

I'm sorry. Representative Gordes.

REP. GORDES: (62nd)

Representative Cibes, I'm not sure I understood. That did describe Canton. What would be the municipal

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impact, though, regardless of the case of the change in legislation of going from the 100 percent to 70 percent, if that's detailed on there, through you, Mr. Speaker?

REP. CIBES: (39th)

Through you, Mr. Speaker, the way I believe that the law should have been interpreted was that just like all other land the land in question should be valued at its fair market value and then the 70 percent assessment factor, the uniform rate applied to that. That, I believe, is the intent of the underlying statute that is in effect now. Obviously, some towns have not interpreted it that way. This bill would provide a specification and clarification of that intention in the statute.

REP. GORDES: (62nd)

Through you, Mr. Speaker. Let me ask it this way then. Would the towns in any way be held harmless or would they have a reduction in the amount of tax revenues coming in, through you, Mr. Speaker?

REP. CIBES: (39th)

Through you, Mr. Speaker, the towns would, subsequent to 1992 and this clarification being applicable, would, if my interpretation of the underlying statute is correct, there would be no

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change. If other's interpretation of the underlying statute is correct, there would be a reduction in revenue and at that point the towns will not be held harmless.

REP. GORDES: (62nd)

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

Will you remark further? Representative Gill of the 142nd.

REP. GILL: (142nd)

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Clerk has an amendment, LCO5035. Could he please call and I be allowed to summarize.

SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

The Clerk please call LCO5035, designated House "B".

CLERK:

LCO5035, House "B", offered by Representative Gill.

SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

Representative Gill.

REP. GILL: (142nd)

This amendment would enable towns to adopt procedures that would guarantee the town to be notified prior to the sale of land classified as farm land, forest land or open space. The town would be given the

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opportunity to try to negotiate for the property during a 60-day period.

I move adoption.

SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

The question is on adoption. Will you remark?

REP. CIBES: (39th)

Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

Representative Cibes.

REP. CIBES: (39th)

Mr. Speaker, I would raise a Point of Order as to its germaneness pursuant to Section 402 of Mason's.

SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

Representative Cibes, in looking over your Point of Order, the main body of the bill deals with assessment of water lands and in looking at the amendment, it deals with open space acquisitions, etc., and though they both relate to Chapter 12, they are not related in any way, I don't think, and therefore would say the amendment is not germane before us.

Will you remark further on the bill?

REP. CIBES: (39th)

Mr. Speaker, at this point I'd yield to Representative Jack Betkoski.

SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

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Representative Betkoski, do you accept the yield?

REP. BETKOSKI: (105th)

Yes, Mr. Speaker, I have an amendment to call on this bill, Mr. Speaker, but in the interest of time, I withdraw the amendment, sir.

SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

Will you remark further on the bill? If not, staff and guests to the Well. Members please be seated. The machine will be opened.

CLERK:

The House of Representatives is voting by roll call. Members to the Chamber please. The House of Representatives is voting by roll. Members to the Chamber please.

SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

Have all the members voted? Have all the members voted and is their vote properly recorded? If so, the machine will be locked. The Clerk take a tally.

The Clerk please announce the tally.

CLERK:

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Senate Bill 520, as amended by House Amendment  
Schedule "A".

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| Total Number Voting         | 148 |
| Necessary for Passage       | 75  |
| Those voting Yea            | 141 |
| Those voting Nay            | 7   |
| Those absent and not Voting | 3   |

SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

The bill as amended is passed.

Are there any announcements or Points of Personal  
Privilege?

REP. CARTER: (7th)

Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER BALDUCCI:

Representative Carter of the 7th.

REP. CARTER: (7th)

For an introduction please. Ladies and gentlemen,  
I'd like to introduce to you Representative Negrón's  
pride and joy, Myra Smith, who is a teacher at Barnard  
Brown School and the Barber Street School. She teaches  
math there and she's visiting with us today to find out  
how the last day of the session works. Would you stand  
and give her our welcome please.

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REP. BEAMON: Any questions? Are there any more legislators or agency heads here? Fine. We will go to the public section. Our first speaker is Bourke Spellacy.

BOURKE SPELLACY: Good morning. With me is the second listed speaker, Anthony Gallicchio who is Chairman of the Metropolitan District and he will give a short statement on the three bills before you.

ANTHONY GALLICCHIO: Good morning, my name is Anthony Gallicchio and I am Chairman of MDC. And I would like to support SB518, SB519 and SB520. Basically in SB518 we would just like all of our member towns to have the exact same opportunities with their employees that the Hartford City has enjoyed since 1929 with the ability of one employee coming to the district or the district going to the employee of the city without losing any benefits. We would like to support that.

SB519, I'm sure that everybody is aware of the cost of doing business and we would like to raise our limits from \$5,000 to \$10,000 for a bidding process so that we would be able to go out and just do our normal business in purchasing any materials up to \$10,000 instead of \$5,000 before we go to a sealed bid process.

In SB520 basically we would like to just have uniform treatment on the taxes rather than an agency like ourselves being charged 100% and another taxpayer in the town being charged 70% on the assessment. I also support that bill.

BOURKE SPELLACY: Bourke Spellacy, District Council, Metropolitan District. My office is a One State Street in Hartford. I will be available to answer any questions on any of these bills should you have questions for the Chairman or myself.

REP. BEAMON: Are there any questions? The Honorable Representative Torpey from the City of East Hartford, Town of East Hartford?

REP. TORPEY: The Town of East Hartford. We don't want to be a city. Were you going to make any statement on SB523?