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Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, about to vote on today's Consent Calendar, there are items that have been listed on the Consent Calendar. Maybe we're not. Hold on a moment, please.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, we are about to vote on them. I'm going to move those items to the Consent Calendar.

The items are Calendar Number 314, Calendar Number 404 and Calendar Number 500. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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DEPUTY SPEAKER ALTOBELLO:

Motion before the Chamber is to place items Calendar Number 314, 404 and 500 on the Consent. Without objection? Without objection? Seeing none,
so ordered.

Would the Clerk please call Calendar 432. 432.

THE CLERK:

On Page 28, Calendar 432, Substitute for House Bill Number 6557 AN ACT CONCERNING LIABILITY FOR THE RECREATIONAL USE OF LANDS. Favorable Report of the Committee on Judiciary.

DEPUTY SPEAKER ALTOBELLO:

Representative Baram of the 15th, you have the floor, sir.

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On Page 18, Calendar 314, Substitute for House
Bill Number 6422 AN ACT CONCERNING THE NOTIFICATION OF
MEDIATION AND ARBITRATION DECISIONS IN DISPUTES
BETWEEN BOARDS OF EDUCATION AND TEACHERS BARGAINING
UNITS. Favorable Report of the Committee on
Education.

DEPUTY SPEAKER ALTOBELLO:

Representative Olson of the 46th, you have the
floor, madam.

REP. OLSON (46th):

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, we are
about to vote on today's Consent Calendar. These were
items that we had moved previously. Items Number 314,
404 and 500.

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Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

DEPUTY SPEAKER ALTOBELLO:

Representative Olson.

REP. OLSON (46th):

Yes, and in fact I move that we pass these bills
and move passage. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

DEPUTY SPEAKER ALTOBELLO:

The question before the House is passage of the
Consent Calendar. Further on the motion? Further on
the motion? If not, we'll proceed to voting.

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Staff and guests please retire to the Well of the House. Members take your seats. The machine will be opened.

THE CLERK:

The House of Representatives is voting by Roll Call. Members to the Chamber.

The House is voting today's Consent Calendar by Roll Call. Members to the Chamber.

DEPUTY SPEAKER ALTOBELLO:

Have all the Members voted? Have all the Members voted? If all the Members have voted, please check the board to make sure your vote is properly cast.

If all the Members have voted, the machine will be locked. Would the Clerk please take the tally.

And would the Clerk please announce the tally.

THE CLERK:

On today's Consent Calendar.

Total Number Voting	144
Necessary for Passage	73
Those voting Yea	144
Those voting Nay	0
Those absent and not voting	7

DEPUTY SPEAKER ALTOBELLO:

The Consent Calendar passes.

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STATE OF CONNECTICUT
OFFICE OF POLICY AND MANAGEMENT

EDUCATION COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2011

S.B. No. 930 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE SCHOOL ENTRANCE AGE.

Recommend approval of the bill as written. The bill would change kindergarten age beginning 7/1/12 so that much younger (4 year olds) and older (7 year olds) would not be starting school at the same time. Right now schools have a tough time teaching kids who can range in age from 4.5 to 7 years. SDE would like additional School Readiness funding for students in poorest communities so they could get the additional preschool year in this transition period. Since there is no recommended funding for this we should oppose this if it is added to the bill!

H.B. No. 6326 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE RESPONSE OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS AND THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CHILDREN AND FAMILIES TO REPORTS OF CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT.

This is the right thing to do school personnel, including prospective teachers, should be vetted to make sure they do not have a history of abusing children. For administrative flexibility both from the local school district and State Department of Education perspective inquiries to the Child Abuse Registry should be available electronically. If they are not, the bill's implementation should be tied to availability of electronic data sharing.

S.B. No. 933 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS.

This allows a superintendent of local schools to request that the bachelor's degree requirement for substitute teachers be waived. SDE is fine with this if limited. Neutral for OPM; no fiscal impact expected.

H.B. No. 6319 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMAS FOR KOREAN WAR VETERANS.

There are Korean War veterans who left high school to serve their country. As we have done for similar groups of World War II veterans, it seems a fitting tribute to allow a local board of education to award these folks their high school diplomas (albeit sixty years later).

H.B. No. 6324 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING TEACHER EMPLOYMENT CRITERIA.

This bill would require, for school districts which do not have layoff provisions in their contracts, to develop layoff procedures which do not put seniority as the primary reason for determining who gets retained and who gets laid off. While this appears to

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H.B. No. 6320 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE INCLUSION OF HUMANE EDUCATION IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL CURRICULUM.

Well-meaning but misplaced, this language would require the SDE, in consultation with animal welfare organizations, to develop curricula that teaches students about pets and empathy. If third party funding becomes available. This is really something the state should not be involved in even if there is someone else paying the bill!

H.B. No. 6318 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING DONATIONS OF EQUIPMENT TO THE REGIONAL VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL SCHOOL SYSTEM.

This is really about indemnifying the donors of equipment to the RVTSS. While the bill contains provisions that limit the indemnification to the damages caused by the donated equipment, this bill, while helpful to the RVTSS, could end up causing the state to have to pay if some of the equipment has issues that were not clearly counted on.

S.B. No. 1025 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE LEGISLATIVE COMMISSIONERS FOR TECHNICAL REVISIONS TO THE EDUCATION STATUTES

Appear to be technical and not substantive!

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THE CHAIR:

Thank you, Senator. Jim, it's always great to see you.

And I'm now going to call on Senator Looney.

SENATOR LOONEY:

Thank you, Madam President.

Madam President, for purposes of changing some markings previously given for items that were previously marked go. We appreciate the cooperation in agreeing that they may be placed on the consent calendar.

And Madam President, the first of those items is on calendar page 3, Calendar 52, Senate Bill 853, previously marked go. Madam President, move to place this item on the consent calendar.

THE CHAIR:

So ordered.

SENATOR LOONEY:

Thank you, Madam President.

Madam President, moving now to calendar page 7, Calendar 107, Senate Bill 1025.

Madam President, would move to place that item on the consent calendar.

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So ordered.

SENATOR LOONEY:

Thank you, Madam President.

Also on calendar page 7, Calendar 117, Senate Bill 883, move to place that item on the consent calendar.

THE CHAIR:

So ordered.

SENATOR LOONEY:

Thank you, Madam President.

Madam President, moving to calendar page 10 -- yes, Calendar page 10, Madam President, Calendar 161, Senate Bill 462, move to place that item on the consent calendar.

THE CHAIR:

So ordered.

SENATOR LOONEY:

Thank you, Madam President.

Madam President, moving now to calendar page 12, Calendar 182, Senate Bill 368, Madam President, would move to place that item on the consent calendar.

THE CHAIR:

So ordered.

SENATOR LOONEY:

Thank you, Madam President.

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at this time.

THE CLERK:

Madam President, I failed to notice on the bottom of page 1, Calendar Number 37, Senate Joint Resolution Number 40. And then I'll repeat on the top page 2, Calendar Number 383, Senate joint Resolution Number 41. And on page --

I believe that's all I have as of this point.

THE CHAIR:

No. All of them on page 3, if you might run through them, Mr. Clerk.

THE CLERK:

Okay. This is my first time doing this.

THE CHAIR:

Well, welcome to my world and you're doing a great job.

THE CLERK:

Okay. I understand now.

On page 3, Calendar Number 52, Senate Bill Number 853; on page 7, Calendar Number 107, substitute for Senate Bill Number 1025; on page 7, Calendar Number 117, Senate Bill Number 883; on page 10, Calendar Number 161, Substitute for Senate Bill Number 462; on page 12, on the bottom of the page,

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Calendar Number 182, Substitute for Senate bill Number 368; on page 13, Calendar Number 188, Substitute for Senate Bill Number 1092; on page 18, the bottom of the page, Calendar Number 252, Substitute for Senate Bill Number 367; on page 25, Calendar Number 329, House Bill Number 6278; on page 26, Calendar Number 333, Substitute for House Bill Number 5956; also on page 26, Calendar Number 335, House Bill Number 6545; on page 37, near the top, Calendar Number 90, Senate Bill Number 464. And I believe those are all the markings that I have for the first consent calendar.

THE CHAIR:

Thank you. Senator Looney.

SENATOR LOONEY:

Thank you, Madam President. Just to delete one item from the consent calendar, that last numerated item should not be on the consent under. That's calendar page 37, Calendar 90, Senate Bill 464. We might delete that item. And then if the -- if we would call for a roll call on the consent calendar.

THE CHAIR:

Is there any objection? See no objection at this time, would you please announce another roll call and

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the machine will be opened.

THE CLERK:

An immediate roll call vote has been ordered on the first consent calendar. Will all Senators please return to the Chamber. An immediate roll call vote has been ordered on the first consent calendar. Will all Senators please return to the Chamber.

THE CHAIR:

Have all members voted? All members have voted. The machine will be locked. And Mr. Clerk, would you announce the tally.

THE CLERK:

Madam President.

Total Number voting	34
Necessary for adoption	18
Those voting Yea	34
Those voting Nay	2
Those absent and not voting	0

THE CHAIR:

The consent calendar is adopted.

Senator Looney.

SENATOR LOONEY:

Thank you, Madam President.

Madam President, I would yield to Senator LeBeau