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On page 2, House Calendar Number 40, favorable report of the joint standing committee on Public Safety and Security, Substitute House Bill 5148, AN ACT CONCERNING SKI SAFETY.

SPEAKER SHARKEY:

Representative Dargan.

REP. DARGAN (115th):

Good evening, Mr. Speaker. I move for acceptance of the joint committee's favorable report and passage of the bill.

SPEAKER SHARKEY:

The question is on acceptance of the joint committee's favorable report and passage of the bill.

Will you remark, sir?

REP. DARGAN (115th):

Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. This bill is before us for a bill that came out. It modifies the responsibilities of both the operators and users of passenger tramways and ski areas and it has no fiscal impact.

This bill came to us through my great Ranking Member Representative Giegler and I thank her for her advice on this bill. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER SHARKEY:

Thank you, sir.

Would you care to remark further on the bill that's before us?

Representative Giegler, the distinguished ranking member.

REP. GIEGLER (138th):

Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and I thank the chairman.

The bill before us actually came as a result of in January, a 14-year-old high school student fell off a chairlift at one of our Connecticut ski areas and during a newscast it was surprising to learn that Connecticut statutes did not require the use of restraining bars in accordance with the posted instructions as did statutes in the surrounding states like New York, New Hampshire, Massachusetts and Vermont.

So this was meant to improve the safety standards on our mountains and the bill was done in conjunction with our Connecticut ski areas.

It doesn't put any new responsibilities on the ski areas because they are, in fact, doing all of these things now.

Part of it also includes putting pads around lift towers that are in the respective trails and also fencing around the hydrants that are mobile that are also within the boundaries of a ski area.

I also have before us an amendment, and if I may be allowed to call it.

SPEAKER SHARKEY:

Will the Clerk please call LCO 3133, which will be designated House Amendment "A".

THE CLERK:

House "A", LCO 3133 introduced by Representative Giegler and Representative Dargan et al.

SPEAKER SHARKEY:

The gentlewoman has sought leave of the Chamber to summarize. Is there objection? Seeing none, you may proceed with summarization, madam.

REP. GIEGLER (138th):

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The Clerk has an amendment, LCO 3133.

SPEAKER SHARKEY:

Madam, I think we're on the amendment.

REP. GIEGLER (138th):

Oh, we already did that. I'm sorry.

SPEAKER SHARKEY:

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We're on that amendment.

SPEAKER SHARKEY:

This amendment narrows the description of the passenger tramway so that in four different lines of the bill it will reflect the only, it would reflect the chairlift rather than the tramway that has the restraining devices and I move adoption.

SPEAKER SHARKEY:

Thank you, madam.

Would you care to remark? Would you care to remark on House Amendment "A"?

Representative Dargan.

REP. DARGAN (115th):

Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I rise in strong support of the amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER SHARKEY:

Thank you, sir.

Would you care to remark further on House Amendment "A"? If not, let me try your minds.

All those in favor of House Amendment "A" please signify by saying aye.

REPRESENTATIVES:

Aye.

SPEAKER SHARKEY:

Those opposed, nay? The ayes have it. The
amendment is adopted.

Would you care to remark further on the bill as amended? Would you care to remark further on the bill as amended?

If not, staff and guests 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.

The House of Representatives is voting by roll. Will members please report to the chamber immediately.

SPEAKER SHARKEY:

Have all the members voted? Have all the members voted? Will the members please check the board to make sure your vote is properly cast.

If all the members have voted, the machine will be locked and the Clerk will take a tally. Will the Clerk please announce the tally.

THE CLERK:

House Bill 5148 as amended by House "A".

Total number voting	139
Necessary for passage	70
Those voting Yea	139

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Those voting Nay 0

Those absent and not voting 12

SPEAKER SHARKEY:

The bill as amended passes.

Will the Clerk please call Calendar 271.

THE CLERK:

On page 10, House Calendar 271, favorable report of the joint standing committee on the Environment, Substitute House Bill 5080, AN ACT CONCERNING DEER MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS ON PRIVATE PROPERTY AND AUTHORIZING BOW AND ARROW HUNTING ON CERTAIN PRIVATE PROPERTY ON SUNDAYS.

SPEAKER SHARKEY:

Representative Gentile.

REP. GENTILE (104th):

Good evening, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER SHARKEY:

Good evening, madam.

REP. GENTILE (104th):

Mr. Speaker, I move for acceptance of the joint committee's favorable report and passage of the bill.

SPEAKER SHARKEY:

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Next, Madam President, Calendar page 12, Calendar 426, House Bill 5023, move to place on the Consent Calendar.

Then Calendar page 20, Calendar 498, House Bill 5467, move to place on the Consent Calendar.

And Calendar page 24, Calendar 526, House Bill 5556, move to place on the Consent Calendar.

Also Calendar page 24, Calendar 524, House Bill 5219, move to place on the Consent Calendar.

Calendar page 25, Calendar 530, House Bill 5368, move to place on the Consent Calendar.

Calendar, page 29, Calendar 554, House Bill 5148, move to place on the Consent Calendar.

Calendar page 31, Calendar 567, House Bill 5229, move to place on the Consent Calendar.

Calendar page 31, Calendar 565, House Bill 5028, move to place on the Consent Calendar.

Calendar page 42, Calendar 384, Senate Bill 442, move to place on the Consent Calendar.

And if we might stand at ease for a moment, Madam President, to mark additional items.

THE CHAIR:

Stand at ease. The Senate will stand at ease.

(Chamber at ease).

THE CHAIR:

Senator Looney.

SENATOR LOONEY:

Thank you, Madam President.. Additional items, Madam President -- we might stand at ease for just a moment.

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And on page 22 Calendar 513, House Bill 5353.
Calendar 515, House Bill 5361.

And on page 24, Calendar 526, House Bill 5556.
Calendar 524, House Bill 5219.

Page 25, Calendar 4 -- sorry, Calendar 530, House Bill 5368,
page 27, Calendar 546, House Bill 5061.
Calendar 543, House Bill 5037.

On page 28, Calendar 550, House Bill 5514.

Page 29, Calendar 554, House Bill 5148.

Page 30, Calendar 563, House Bill 5554.

Page 31, Calendar 567, House Bill 5229. Calendar 565,
House Bill 5028.

And on page 42, Calendar 384, Senate Bill 442.

THE CHAIR:

Senator Looney, do you have any more good news for us?

SENATOR LOONEY:

Yes, thank you, Madam President. One additional item
to add before we call for the actual vote on the
Consent Calendar, and that is item an Calendar page
33, Calendar 575, House Bill 5359. With that one
addition it would call for a vote on the Consent
Calendar.

THE CHAIR:

Mr. Clerk, please call for a vote on the Consent
Calendar, and the machine will be open.

THE CLERK:

Immediate roll call has been ordered in the Senate.
Immediate roll call on the second Consent Calendar
today has been ordered in the Senate.

THE CHAIR:

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If all members have voted? All membered voted, the machine will be closed. Mr. Clerk, will you please call the tally.

THE CLERK:

On the second Consent Calendar for today.

Total number voting	35
Those voting Yea	35
Those voting Nay	0
Absent not voting	1

THE CHAIR:

Consent Calendar passes. Senator Looney.

SENATOR LOONEY:

Thank you, Madam President. If the Clerk would call the first item marked go to follow the Consent Calendar.

THE CHAIR:

Mr. Clerk.

THE CLERK:

On page 33, Calendar 579, Substitute for House Bill Number 5348, AN ACT CONCERNING THE PAYMENT OF DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAXES. Favorable Report of the Committee on Planning and Development.

THE CHAIR:

Senator Kelly.

SENATOR KELLY:

Thank you. Thank you, Madam President. Pursuant to Rule 15 of the Joint Rules, I am recusing myself from consideration of this bill.

THE CHAIR:

Thank you, sir. Please leave the Chamber.