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The Joint Favorable ("JF") reporting deadlines for most of the committees of interest have passed. As a result, most of the bills of interest that are alive and in play can be identified and are listed in the table below. There are a few other bills that were referred to other committees with later JF deadlines (*e.g.*, Appropriations Committee – April 26, and the Finance Revenue and Bonding Committee – April 27) that may still receive a JF report.

Bills that have been favorably reported to the floor are assembled into a "file" which contains (1) the bill text with any substitute language approved in committee; (2) a fiscal note; and (3) a plain-language summary. Some of the bills have files already and the file numbers are listed below. For the rest of the bills, the initial files should be ready in the next two weeks (you can check on the availability of the file by selecting the "Bill Status" links below). The table below contains the following abbreviations: JF – Joint Favorable; JFS – Joint Favorable Substitute; CR – Change of Reference; and FL – Floor (of House or Senate).

Bills reported to the floor may be sent back out to other subject matter committees after receiving a file number. The committee of reference can favorably report the bill back to the floor as is or with substitute language or kill the bill. Also, keep in mind that bills or concepts that died in committee could resurface later as amendments. To check for called or uncalled amendments, go to the "Bill Status" page and look for links to amendments or search all amendments from the General Assembly's website search page: <http://search.cga.state.ct.us>.

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Table 1: Environment, Energy, and Land Use Related Bills

| Committee of Origin | Bill No. | Title | Bill Status Report | File Number or Last Action (as of 3/28/11) |
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| ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE | | | | |
| Environment | 60 | AAC THE ENFORCEMENT AND PERMITTING DUTIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION | Bill Status | File No. 115 |
| Environment | 205 | AA REQUIRING CERTAIN THERMOSTAT MANUFACTURERS TO PAY INCENTIVES FOR THE RETURN OF MERCURY THERMOSTATS | Bill Status | JFS → FL |
| Environment | 209 | AA PROVIDING CERTAIN MUNICIPAL STORMWATER AUTHORITIES WITH CREDIT, CONTRACTING, BONDING AND ENFORCEMENT POWERS (<i>see also</i> HB 5512) | Bill Status | CR → FRB |
| Environment | 212 | AA SIMPLIFYING CERTAIN REPORTING REQUIREMENTS UNDER THE BOTTLE BILL | Bill Status | JFS → FL |
| Environment | 214 | AA ESTABLISHING AN INCOME TAX DEDUCTION UPON CREATION OF A CONSERVATION EASEMENT | Bill Status | CR → FRB |
| Environment | 227 | AAC REMEDIATION STANDARDS UNDER A CONSENT ORDER | Bill Status | JF → FL |
| Environment | 830 | AA PROHIBITING THE USE OF CERTAIN OUTDOOR WOOD-BURNING FURNACES | Bill Status | JFS → FL |

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| Environment | 831 | AAC MUNICIPAL LIABILITY FOR RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES ON CERTAIN OPEN SPACE LANDS | Bill Status | JFS / CR → JUD |
| Environment | 832 | AAC THE PROTECTION OF INLAND WETLANDS AND WATERCOURSES | Bill Status | JFS → FL |
| Environment | 833 | AAC THE APPROVAL AND SITING OF CERTAIN TELECOMMUNICATION TOWER APPLICATIONS | Bill Status | File No. 159 |
| Environment | 835 | AAC THE STRUCTURES AND DREDGING PERMIT PROCESS | Bill Status | JF → FL |
| Environment | 839 | AA DEFINING BIOSOLIDS AS A CLASS I RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCE | Bill Status | File No. 127 |
| Environment | 1114 | AA REVISING THE DEFINITION OF TIDAL WETLANDS AND THE HIGH TIDE LINE | Bill Status | JF → FL |
| Environment | 1115 | AAC THE REGULATION OF CERTAIN LOW EMISSION VEHICLES, IONIZING RADIATION AND STREAM CHANNEL ENCROACHMENT LINES BY THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION | Bill Status | JF → FL |
| Environment | 5068 | AA CREATING A REBUTTABLE PRESUMPTION FOR THE APPROVAL OF AN INLAND WETLANDS PERMIT FOR A DRY HYDRANT | Bill Status | JFS → FL |
| Environment | 5387 | AA ESTABLISHING A FINE FOR THE SUBSEQUENT ILLEGAL DUMPING OF LITTER | Bill Status | JFS → FL |
| Environment | 5508 | AAC THE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT | Bill Status | JFS → FL |
| Environment | 5518 | AA ESTABLISHING A STATE-WIDE WATER USE PLAN | Bill Status | JFS → FL |
| Environment | 5512 | AA PROVIDING MUNICIPAL STORMWATER AUTHORITIES WITH CERTAIN FISCAL POWERS | Bill Status | CR → FRB |
| Environment | 5526 | AAC COMMERCIAL OR RESIDENTIAL PROJECTS ON PROPERTY THAT CONTAINS CERTAIN WOODLANDS | Bill Status | JFS → FL |
| Environment | 6262 | AAC THE COMMUNITY INVESTMENT ACCOUNT | Bill Status | JFS → FL |
| Environment | 6263 | AAC THE TRANSITION FROM THE TEN MILL PROGRAM | Bill Status | JF → FL |
| Environment | 6386 | AA ESTABLISHING THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION | Bill Status | JFS → FL |
| Environment | 6507 | AAC WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION APPLICATIONS | Bill Status | JFS → FL |
| ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE | | | | |
| Energy and Technology | 1 | AAC CONNECTICUT'S ENERGY FUTURE | Bill Status | JFS → FL |
| Energy and Technology | 102 | AA EXPANDING THE DEFINITION OF A CLASS I RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCE (<i>see SB 855</i>) | Bill Status | JFS → FL |
| Energy and Technology | 6249 | AA REQUIRING THE ADOPTION OF REGULATIONS FOR THE SITING OF WIND PROJECTS | Bill Status | File No. 36 |
| Energy and Technology | 6250 | AAC THE SITING COUNCIL | Bill Status | JFS → FL |
| Energy and Technology | 1140 | AAC THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITY CONTROL'S JURISDICTION | Bill Status | JFS → FL |
| Energy and Technology | 1176 | AAC ELECTRIC RATE RELIEF | Bill Status | JFS → FL |

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| Energy and Technology | 1141 | AAC NET METERING | Bill Status | JF → FL |
| Energy and Technology | 1142 | AAC POWER PLANT SAFETY | Bill Status | JF → FL |
| Energy and Technology | 5958 | AAC ENERGY UPGRADES, WEATHERIZATION AND FUEL ASSISTANCE FOR RESIDENTIAL HOMES AND MUNICIPAL AND STATE BUILDINGS | Bill Status | JF → FL |
| Energy and Technology | 6459 | AAC RENEWABLE RESOURCE GENERATION | Bill Status | JFS → FL |
| PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE | | | | |
| Planning and Development | 43 | AA EXPANDING THE RECREATIONAL LAND USE ACT (<i>see SB 90 and HB 5254</i>) | Bill Status | JFS → FL |
| Planning and Development | 485 | AA PERMITTING MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES TO SERVE AS CITATION HEARING OFFICERS | Bill Status | JF → FL |
| Planning and Development | 487 | AA PROHIBITING LOCAL BUILDING STANDARDS | Bill Status | File No. 216 |
| Planning and Development | 499 | AAC FUNDING FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITIES | Bill Status | JF → FL |
| Planning and Development | 686 | AAC APPLICATIONS TO THE STATE TRAFFIC COMMISSION AND A STUDY OF LAND USE PERMITTING PROCEDURES | Bill Status | File No. 204 |
| Planning and Development | 859 | AA EXTENDING THE TIME OF EXPIRATION OF CERTAIN LAND USE PERMITS | Bill Status | File No. 160 |
| Planning and Development | 860 | AAC BONDS FOR APPROVED SUBDIVISIONS | Bill Status | JFS → FL |
| Planning and Development | 862 | AAC LIABILITY OF ZONING ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS | Bill Status | File No. 161 |
| Planning and Development | 869 | AAC THE TIME IN WHICH A REGULATED ACTIVITY MUST BE CONDUCTED UNDER A PERMIT ISSUED BY AN INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION | Bill Status | File No. 163 |
| Planning and Development | 5178 | AA AUTHORIZING NOTICE OF ZONE CHANGES TO BE SENT BY ELECTRONIC MAIL | Bill Status | File No. 138 |
| Planning and Development | 5697 | AAC CHANGES TO THE MUNICIPAL ENERGY COOPERATIVE STATUTES | Bill Status | JF → FL |
| Planning and Development | 5780 | AAC INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS (<i>see HB 6108 and HB 6294</i>) | Bill Status | File No. 192 |
| Planning and Development | 5921 | AA AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF LAND BANKS | Bill Status | JF → FL |
| Planning and Development | 6100 | AAC REGIONAL PROPERTY TAX REVENUE SHARING | Bill Status | JF → FL |
| Planning and Development | 6339 | AA AUTHORIZING MUNICIPALITIES TO PUBLISH NOTICES ON THE INTERNET | Bill Status | JF → FL |
| OTHER COMMITTEES | | | | |
| Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee | 915 | AAC THE CHEMICAL INNOVATIONS INSTITUTE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT AND THE PROHIBITION ON BISPHENOL-A IN INFANT FORMULA AND BABY FOOD CONTAINERS, JARS AND CANS | Bill Status | File No. 48 |
| Commerce | 1019 | AA EXPEDITING THE STATE PERMITTING PROCESS | Bill Status | File No. 167 |



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| Commerce | 1020 | AAC WATER RESOURCES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT | Bill Status | File No. 168 |
| Judiciary | 1030 | AAC AN APPEAL OF A DECISION OF A ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS | Bill Status | Public Hearing 03/25 |
| Public Health | 1203 | AAC WATER PROTECTION | Bill Status | Public hearing 03/23 |
| Housing | 6052 | AAC SUPPORTIVE HOUSING | Bill Status | JF → APPR |
| Judiciary | 6341 | AAC THE STATUTE OF REPOSE FOR ASBESTOS-RELATED PRODUCT LIABILITY CLAIMS | Bill Status | Public hearing 03/04 |
| Commerce | 6400 | AAC LICENSURE OF STORMWATER PROFESSIONALS | Bill Status | File No. 196 |
| Commerce | 6526 | AAC BROWNFIELD REMEDIATION AND DEVELOPMENT AS AN ECONOMIC DRIVER | Bill Status | JFS → FL |
| Commerce | 6528 | AAC BONDING FOR BROWNFIELDS | Bill Status | JFS → FL |

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