



**Governor Ned Lamont  
State of Connecticut**



FACT SHEET  
2019 Legislative Session

**SENATE BILL 876**  
***AN ACT AUTHORIZING AND ADJUSTING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, TRANSPORTATION AND OTHER PURPOSES***

**Summary of Proposal:**

This proposal authorizes general obligation (GO) bonds of \$944.1 million in FY 2020 and \$976.5 million in FY 2021, special tax obligation (STO) bonds for transportation of \$776.6 million in FY 2020 and \$782.4 million in FY 2021 and Clean Water Fund Revenue Bonds of \$84 million in FY 2021 as detailed below. The bill adjusts previously enacted annual amounts for UConn 2000 with no increase in total authorizations. The bill adjusts previously enacted annual amounts for CSCU 2020 and extends the program by one year to FY 2021 with no increase in total authorizations.

The Governor’s proposal authorizes an additional \$776.6 million of Special Tax Obligation (STO) bonds in FY 2020 and \$782.4 million in FY 2021, matching levels seen in the prior eight years.

	FY 2020	FY 2021
<b>Legislative Management</b>		
Replacement, repaving of the roads and sidewalks at the Capitol Complex	1,800,000	
Alterations, renovations and restoration to the Capitol	15,000,000	
Masonry repairs and window replacement at the Old State House	1,700,000	
<b>Office of Policy and Management</b>		
Local Capital Improvement Program	30,000,000	30,000,000
Nonprofit Grant Program		25,000,000
Urban Act Program	50,000,000	50,000,000
Capital Equipment Purchase Fund		27,000,000
Information Technology Capital Investment Program	95,000,000	95,000,000
<b>Department of Administrative Services</b>		
School Construction Program	500,000,000	500,000,000
Abatement of asbestos and hazardous materials in state buildings	10,000,000	10,000,000
Alterations, renovations and improvements in compliance with the ADA		1,000,000
<b>Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection</b>		
Criminal Justice Information Sharing System	8,900,000	
<b>Military Department</b>		
State matching funds for federal reimbursable projects	1,000,000	1,000,000
<b>Department of Energy and Environmental Protection</b>		
Clean Water Fund (General Obligation Bonds)	75,000,000	75,000,000
Clean Water Fund (Revenue Bonds)		84,000,000
<b>Department of Economic and Community Development</b>		
Grants for cultural and entertainment-related economic development projects		5,000,000
Brownfield Remediation and Revitalization Program	10,000,000	10,000,000
<b>Department of Housing</b>		

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	FY 2020	FY 2021
Connecticut Housing Finance Authority - down payment assistance program	4,000,000	4,000,000
Connecticut Housing Finance Authority - mortgage assistance to teachers	500,000	500,000
<b>Department of Transportation</b>		
Interstate Highway Program	13,000,000	13,000,000
Urban Systems Projects	16,750,000	16,750,000
Local Bridge Program	10,000,000	10,000,000
State Bridge Program	33,000,000	33,000,000
Fix-it-First program to repair the state's bridges	110,000,000	110,000,000
Fix-it-First program to repair the state's roads	75,000,000	75,000,000
Environmental compliance	9,925,000	9,925,000
Capital resurfacing	106,500,000	106,500,000
Intrastate Highway Program	44,000,000	44,000,000
Bus and rail facilities and equipment	236,000,000	236,000,000
Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program	67,000,000	67,000,000
Highway and Bridge Renewal Equipment	16,000,000	16,000,000
Department Facilities	9,440,000	15,200,000
Town Aid Road (Special Tax Obligation Bonds)	30,000,000	30,000,000
Town Aid Road (General Obligation Bonds)	30,000,000	30,000,000
<b>Department of Education</b>		
Alterations, equipment, tools and supplies, vehicles for technical high schools		5,000,000
<b>Connecticut State Colleges and Universities</b>		
Telecommunications infrastructure upgrades	2,000,000	2,000,000
Colleges: Deferred maintenance	14,000,000	14,000,000
Universities: Deferred maintenance	7,000,000	7,000,000
Advanced manufacturing and emerging technology programs	3,000,000	3,000,000
New and replacement equipment	6,000,000	6,000,000
<b>Judicial Department</b>		
Alterations, renovations and improvements to buildings and grounds	11,000,000	10,000,000
Implementation of the Technology Strategic Plan Project	2,000,000	2,000,000
Security improvements at various state-owned and maintained facilities	2,000,000	2,000,000
Alterations and improvements in compliance with the ADA	2,000,000	2,000,000
Mechanical system improvements at Stamford Courthouse	2,250,000	

### **Reason for Proposal:**

This proposal implements the Governor's recommended capital budget for the biennium.

### **Significant Impacts:**

The recommended new GO bond authorizations are about 40% lower than the \$1.6 billion average annual recommendations over the last five years. Given that there are approximately \$2 billion of prior year GO bond authorizations on the books, it is unnecessary for the state to continue to add additional debt authorizations.

The Governor is prioritizing spending and new bond authorizations to areas he feels requires the most investment, which include municipal aid, school construction, information technology improvements, and higher education.