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CBA Group	Position Level	Topic	Position	Date Approved	Type of Appro	Date of Expiration	Notes
CBA	Assn.	ABA and CLE for Mock Trial	The CBA supports making a proposal before the ABA for a national model rule providing four hours of CLE credit for judging/coaching Mock Trial and ADR programs.	10/21/2024	HOD	10/21/2027	Requested by EC
CBA	Assn.	Association Health Plans	The CBA supports legislation such as House Bill 6710 (2023), which would enable trade associations, including the CBA, to band together and purchase large group health insurance directly from a carrier or to offer their members a self-funded insurance plan.	3/27/2023	HOD	2025 leg. session end	Requested by EC; high priority item (per President 2023, 2024, 2025)
CBA	Assn.	Hate Crime FOI Act	The CBA supports an exemption to the Freedom of Information Act, Conn. Gen. Stat 1-210(a), for data on hate crime or suspected hate crime activity that is received, retained, compiled, or analyzed by or for the State Hate Crimes Investigative Unit or the State-Wide Hate Crimes Advisory Council.	3/24/2025	HOD	2027 leg. session end	EC approved on interim basis, 2/10/25; Requested by EC
CBA	Assn.	Hate Crime Written Statements	The CBA supports authorizing a hate crime victim, at a defendant's sentencing or application for accelerated rehabilitation, to submit written statement from a representative of a community impacted by a hate crime.	3/24/2025	HOD	2027 leg. session end	EC approved on interim basis, 2/10/25; Requested by EC
CBA	Assn.	Hate Crimes Statutory Amendments	The CBA supports simplifying and clarifying hate crime statutes to consolidate them into one single statute, eliminate inconsistencies, and clarify the intent standard.	3/24/2025	HOD	2027 leg. session end	EC approved on interim basis, 2/10/25; Requested by EC
CBA	Assn.	Human Trafficking	The CBA supports legislation that provides support and protection to victims of human trafficking or eliminates human trafficking.	4/7/2025	EC	2025 leg. Session end	EC approved on interim basis, 4/7/25; Requested by Human Rights and Responsibilities Section
CBA	Assn.	MCLE for Pro Bono	The CBA supports a rule change to allow for up to 6 hours of MCLE credit per year for pro bono work.	3/24/2025	HOD	3/24/2028	Requested by Pro Bono Comm.
CBA	Assn.	State Civics Seal	The CBA supports the establishment of a state seal for civics education and engagement.	3/24/2025	HOD	2027 leg. session end	Requested by Civics Education Comm.
CBA	Assn.	Uniform Commercial Code	The CBA supports the adoption in CT of the 2022 Amendments to the Uniform Commercial Code, with proposed revisions for compatibility with CT law.	3/18/2024	HOD	2026 leg. session end	Requested by Business Law Section
CBA	Assn.	Veterans' Cemetery	The CBA supports the expansion of the state veteran's cemetery.	3/24/2025	HOD	2027 leg. session end	BOG approved on interim basis, 2/24/25; Requested by Veterans and Military Affairs Section
Alternative Dispute Resolution	Section	Uniform Mediation Act	The Alternative Dispute Resolution Section supports legislation promoting uniformity in mediation, establishing the integrity of the mediation process as a method of resolving conflict and self-determination, and setting forth clear guidelines safeguarding the confidentiality of mediation proceedings	6/27/2022	HOD	2025 leg. session end	
Business Law	Section	CBCA	The Business Law Section supports amending the Connecticut Business Corporation Act (CBCA) to facilitate the use of electronic mail and other electronic communications.	12/16/2024	HOD	2027 leg. session end	

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Business Law	Section	CETA	The Business Law Section supports amending or proposing amendments to the CT Entity Transactions Act (ETA) as proposed through draft and redline documents.	3/18/2024	HOD	2026 leg. session end	
Business Law	Section	Cooperative Associations	The Business Law Section supports amending Cooperative Associations Act (Chapter 595).	12/16/2024	HOD	2027 leg. session end	
Disability Law	Section	Disability Allowance Timing	The Disability Law Section supports removing Conn. Gen. Stat. Section 10-183aa(h) and replacing it with a new section comparable to HB 5606 (2021)	3/24/2025	HOD	2027 leg. session end	
Elder Law	Section	Asset Limits for Homecare	The Elder Law Section supports increasing the asset limit for an individual applying for the Connecticut Homecare Program from \$1,600 to up to \$10,000.	1/23/2023	HOD	2025 leg. session end	
Elder Law	Section	Inaccessible Assets	The Elder Law Section opposes any effort by the Department of Social Services (DSS) to remove the word "inaccessible" from the Uniform Policy Manual as it applies to assets and income in Medicaid and certain other programs.	6/27/2022	HOD	6/27/2025	
Elder Law	Section	Medicare Savings Program	The Elder Law Section opposes legislation which would decrease benefits provided under the Medicare Savings Program.	10/21/2024	HOD	2027 leg. session end	
Elder Law	Section	Skilled Nursing Facilities and Medicaid Applications	The Elder Law Section requests supports legislation prohibiting skilled nursing facilities from limiting the right of residents to choose or decline legal or other assistance in applying for Medicaid coverage, and from financially benefitting from providing misinformation to applicants about Medicaid program requirements.	10/21/2024	HOD	2027 leg. session end	
Elder Law	Section	Transfer of Assets	The Elder Law Section opposes and seeks changes to proposed regulations effecting patient transfer of assets and nursing home eligibility qualifications issued by the Department of Social Services intending to implement provisions of the 2006 Federal Deficit Reduction Act (DRA).	6/27/2022	HOD	6/27/2025	
Environmental Law	Section	DEEP Regulations	The Environmental Law Section opposes CT DEEP's draft regulations for a remediation program as written and will offer language for making them more consistent with the statutory intent, particularly related to economic development and ease of use for market participants.	3/18/2024	HOD	2026 leg. session end	
Estates and Probate	Section	CUTDA Adoption	The Estates and Probate Section supports adoption of the CT Uniform Trust Decanting Act (CUTDA).	1/23/2023	HOD	2025 leg. session end	
Estates and Probate	Section	Estate and Gift Taxes	The Estates and Probate Section supports the enactment of draft legislation titled "An Act Concerning Consistency of Federal and Connecticut Estate and Gift Taxes," which will eliminate inconsistencies between federal and state law related to gifts.	10/21/2024	HOD	2027 leg. session end	

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Family Law	Section	UCLA	The Family Law Section supports enactment of the Uniform Collaborative Law Act (UCLA) in Connecticut.	1/23/2023	HOD	2025 leg. session end	
LGBT	Section	Addressing Misgendering	The LGBT Section supports proposals to the Rules Committee of the Superior Court to address the misgendering of persons in CT courts.	3/24/2025	HOD	3/24/2028	
Litigation	Section	Voir Dire	The Litigation Section opposes a proposal submitted to the Rules Committee of the Superior Court seeking additional supervision of civil voir dire proceedings.	12/18/2023	HOD	12/18/2026	
Planning and Zoning	Section	Exceptional Difficulty	The Planning and Zoning Section supports amending Conn. Gen. Stat. Section 8-6 to allow municipal Planning and Zoning Commissions to define “exceptional difficulty” when considering variance applications.	1/27/2025	HOD	2027 leg. session end	
Planning and Zoning	Section	Online Publication of Notices	The Planning and Zoning Section supports revising the Conn. General Statutes to permit online publication of legal notices concerning planning and zoning matters in lieu of publication in newspapers.	1/22/2024	HOD	2026 leg. session end	
Planning and Zoning	Section	Variance Applications	The Planning and Zoning Section supports revising Conn. Gen. Stat. Section 8-6 to modify the rules for when a Zoning Board of Appeals may review a Variance Application, and/or forming a working group or task force to develop proposed legislation.	1/22/2024	HOD	2026 leg. session end	
Real Property	Section	Appraisals in Tax Appeals	The Real Property Section supports amending Conn. Gen. Stat. Sec. 12-117a(a)(2) to increase the threshold for a required appraisal in a tax appeal from \$1MM assessed value to \$5MM.	12/16/2024	HOD	2027 leg. session end	
Real Property	Section	CIOA	The Real Property Section supports amending Conn. Gen. Stats. Section 47-216(a) to provide a technical correction to the statutory language of the Common Interest Ownership Act.	12/16/2024	HOD	2027 leg. session end	
Real Property	Section	Licensing Requirements	The Real Property Section opposes a proposal about licensing requirements for title searches.	3/24/2025	HOD	2027 leg. session end	
Real Property	Section	Proposed Bill 7255 (2025)	The Real Property Section supports the creation of a study group or otherwise working to amend Proposed Substitute Bill No. 7255 (2025) and similar legislation.	4/14/2025	EC	2025 leg. session end	EC approved on interim basis 4/14/25
Real Property	Section	Section 47-36aa(c)(2)	The Real Property Section supports amending Conn. Gen. Stat. Section 47-36aa(c)(2) to delete “recorded after January 1, 1997” and modify the consideration provision.	12/16/2024	HOD	2027 leg. session end	
Real Property	Section	Transfer on Death Act	The Real Property Section opposes the adoption of Uniform Real Property Transfer on Death Act	3/24/2025	HOD	2027 leg. session end	
Real Property	Section	Uniform Mortgage Modification Act	The Real Property Section supports adoption of the proposed Uniform Mortgage Modification Act, with modifications to be drafted to reconcile existing Connecticut statutory provisions.	12/16/2024	HOD	2027 leg. session end	
Real Property	Section	Zombie Mortgages	The Real Property Section supports legislation concerning undischarged mortgages.	3/24/2025	HOD	2027 leg. session end	

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Real Property	Section	Branch Operations	The Real Property Section supports the creation of a study group or otherwise working to amend Proposed Substitute Bill No. 7255 and similar legislation.	4/14/2025	EC	2025 leg. session end	EC approved, 4/14/25
Veterans and Military Affairs	Section	Exclusion of Disability Compensation	The Veterans and Military Affairs Section supports a proposal for the Public Defender Services Commission to enact a rule or measure requiring the uniform exclusion of disability compensation received by a veteran from one's gross annual income when determining one's income eligibility for public defender services.	6/27/2022	HOD	6/27/2025	BOG approved on interim basis, 2/24/25
Veterans and Military Affairs	Section	Property Tax Exemption for Disabled Veterans	The Veterans and Military Affairs Section supports providing a property tax exemption for 100% permanently disabled veterans; the exemption may be funded by the state, local municipalities, or shared between both.	3/18/2024	HOD	2026 leg. session end	
Veterans and Military Affairs	Section	Veteran Public Defender Eligibility	The Veterans and Military Affairs Section supports legislation excluding veterans' disability compensation when calculating income eligibility for representation by public defender	3/24/2025	HOD	2027 leg. session end	EC approved on interim basis, 2/10/25
Civics Education	Comm.	MCLE for Mock Trial Volunteers	The Civics Education Committee supports amending Rule 2-27A regarding mandatory continuing education credits to allow for up to four MCLE credits for attorneys that coach or judge undergraduate, high school, or middle school mock trials or moot courts.	1/23/2023	HOD	1/23/2026	Enacted