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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE #1

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The 2008 Session of the Connecticut General Assembly opened on Wednesday February 6 and will adjourn on Wednesday May 7. This being the off-budget year, it is the "short" session of the legislature. Once again, our main legislative objective is passage of the "Connecticut Public Safety Protection Act" and will include rebuttable presumption protections for Contagious Diseases, Cardiac and certain Cancers. **YOU AND YOUR MEMBERS ARE INSTRUMENTAL TO THE SUCCESSFUL PASSAGE OF THIS BILL. WE WILL ONCE AGAIN CALL UPON YOU AS LEADERS TO MOTIVATE YOUR MEMBERS TO COME TO THE CAPITOL WHEN NEEDED AND MAKE PHONE CALLS OR VISITS TO LEGISLATORS IN THEIR DISTRICT. WE CANNOT STRESS UPON YOU ENOUGH THE IMPORTANCE OF YOUR MEMBERS INVOLVEMENT. PLEASE BEGIN THE PROCESS OF NOTIFYING YOUR MEMBERS OF WHAT IS NEEDED FROM THEM.** Because of the short session, hearing dates will be coming up soon, likely by the end of the month or in early March. **Please be ready to answer the call!** THANKS!!

HOUSE BILLS

H.B. No. 5039 REP. CAFERO, 142nd DIST.; SEN. MCKINNEY, 28th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING AN ENHANCED 9-1-1 SERVICE DATABASE', to implement the Governor's budget recommendations. – 2/7/2008 Public Safety

H.B. No. 5040 REP. CAFERO, 142nd DIST.; SEN. MCKINNEY, 28th DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A CONNECTICUT PUBLIC SAFETY DATA NETWORK', to implement the Governor's budget recommendations. 2/7/2008 Public Safety

Proposed **H.B. No. 5066** REP. KALINOWSKI, 100th DIST. 'AN ACT EXEMPTING MILITARY AND CIVIL SERVICE PENSIONS FROM THE STATE INCOME TAX', to recognize the special career contributions of veterans and federal, state and municipal civil service retirees. - 2/11/2008 Referred to Joint Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding

Proposed **H.B. No. 5067** REP. KALINOWSKI, 100th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE TAXATION OF RETIREMENT INCOME', to allow recipients of retirement income to retain such income without tax liability. – 2/11/2008 Referred to Joint Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding

SENATE BILLS

None to date