

#### **Remove Barriers to Employment**

# • S.B. 294 AN ACT EXTENDING TEMPORARY FAMILY ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS TO ENCOURAGE EMPLOYMENT.

To provide an incentive for temporary family assistance recipients to obtain employment. Ensures that someone who obtains a job does not immediately lose all benefits.

#### • S.B. 290 AN ACT CONCERNING CHILD CARE SUBSIDIES FOR WORKING PARENTS.

To provide support to working parents whose incomes exceed fifty per cent but not seventy-five per cent of state-wide median income.

### Enhance Workforce Training

• S.B. 685 AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE APPRENTICESHIP AND EMPLOYMENT RECRUITMENT AUTHORITY.

Would establish a public-private partnership to work on apprenticeships and employment recruitment opportunities. Modeled on the Connecticut Manufacturing Committee.

• S.B. 356 AN ACT REQUIRING A STUDY CONCERNING GERMANY'S APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING PROGRAM.

To pursue alternative apprenticeship models to encourage growth in the manufacturing talent pipeline in the state.

• S.B. 242 AN ACT EXTENDING THE MANUFACTURING APPRENTICESHIP TAX CREDIT TO PASS-THROUGH ENTITIES.

To increase the number of apprenticeship opportunities in the state.

• S.B. 275 AN ACT CONCERNING WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ISSUES AT PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION RELATED TO THE INSURANCE INDUSTRY.

To ensure that public institutions of higher education are meeting the workforce needs of the insurance industry. That the Board of Regents for Higher Education and the Board of Trustees of The University of Connecticut conduct a study of workforce development issues with regard to the insurance industry at public institutions of higher education within their jurisdiction.

#### Encourage Self-Investment

## • S.B. 602 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A CREDIT AGAINST THE PERSONAL INCOME TAX FOR CERTAIN FIRST-TIME HOMEBUYERS.

To establish a credit against the personal income tax for certain first-time homebuyers.

That the general statutes be amended to establish a credit of up to two thousand dollars against the personal income tax for first-time homebuyers who have deposited funds in a restricted account to be used for the purchase of a first home, such credit to be claimed during the taxable year in which the first home is purchased or during the taxable year in which the prospective first-time homebuyer deposits such funds in the account.

