

Legislative Update - January 11, 2013

The 2013 legislative session began January 9, 2013. This is a "long session" – it will adjourn on June 5, 2013. This is the first edition of Shipman & Goodwin's 2013 Real Estate, Environmental and Land Use Group Legislative Update; it provides a list of committee chairs and important session deadlines for committees that have cognizance of matters that typically relate to the environment, energy, and land use.

The next edition of the Update will provide a list of select environment, energy, and land use related bills of interest. The list will draw mainly, but not exclusively, on bills originating in one of the following four committees of interest: (1) Environment; (2) Planning and Development; (3) Transportation; and (4) Energy and Technology. Our goal is to provide a list of select bills that is concise enough to be reviewed at a glance while also providing an easy method to access additional information regarding the specific bills that are of interest to you.

The chairs of the four committees of interest are listed in Table 1:

Table 1: House and Senate Chairs

<i>Committee</i>	<i>House Chair</i>	<i>Senate Chair</i>
Energy and Technology	Rep. Lonnie Reed	Sen. Bob Duff
Environment	Rep. Linda Gentile	Sen. Edward Meyer
Planning and Development	Rep. Jason Rojas	Sen. Steve Cassano
Transportation	Rep. Tony Guerrero	Sen. Andrew Maynard

A complete list of committee members is available on each committee's webpage by following the links in the table above.

Proposed legislation may be introduced by individual legislators ("proposed bills") or by committee ("committee bills" or "raised bills"). The deadline for individual legislators to introduce proposed bills is January 18, 2013. The deadlines to introduce committee bills or raised bills vary by committee as shown in Table 2 below. Table 2 also contains the deadline for certain public hearings and for joint favorable reports:

Table 2: Important Committee Deadlines

<i>Committee</i>	<i>Committee Bill (if no PH on PB)</i>	<i>Raised Bill</i>	<i>Public Hearing on PB</i>	<i>Committee Bill* (if PH on PB)</i>	<i>Joint Favorable Reports</i>
Energy and Technology	2/7/13	2/19/13	3/11/13	3/7/13	3/28/13
Environment	2/15/13	2/20/13	3/17/13	3/15/13	4/3/13
Planning and Development	2/15/13	2/20/13	3/17/13	3/15/13	4/3/13
Transportation	2/15/13	2/20/13	3/10/13	3/8/13	3/27/13

* Adjusted for Group "A" and "B" Committee meeting dates

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The Legislative Commissioners' Office's website has a table of all Committee deadlines at <http://www.cga.ct.gov/lco/pdfs/2013/2013%20Deadlines%20%20from%20Joint%20Rules.pdf>.

Each year, the Office of Legislative Research, upon legislative request, prepares a report of important issues that the General Assembly might consider in the upcoming session. The report for 2013 is available at <http://www.cga.ct.gov/2012/rpt/2012-R-0479.htm>.

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