



M. JODI RELL
GOVERNOR

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

May 5, 2008

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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Senate Minority Leader

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House Republican Leader

The Hon. Martin M. Looney
Senate Majority Leader

The Hon. Christopher G. Donovan
House Majority Leader

Gentlemen:

In light of the economic instability that the State of Connecticut currently is experiencing and our recent agreement that we will not revise the adopted budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, I respectfully request that the General Assembly not pass any legislation that requires the expenditure of funds not provided in the adopted FY 09 budget. Similarly, I request that you not pass any legislation that would result in a revenue loss for FY 09.

With respect to bills that will impact the FY 09 budget and have already passed one chamber of the General Assembly and are pending in the other chamber, I would ask that all such bills be amended to remove the fiscal impact. I leave it to your discretion to either amend each bill individually, or to pass one bill that will comprehensively address all such bills. For your convenience, I have attached a list of such bills compiled by the Office of Policy and Management.

Finally, I must caution that I will disapprove any bill that comes to my desk with a fiscal impact that has not been addressed in the manner described above. It would be fiscally irresponsible for me to do otherwise. Fortunately, I believe that there is adequate time remaining in the legislative session for you to legislatively address these potential problems.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. I look forward to continuing to work with you to ensure that our State handles these critical fiscal issues in a prudent and responsible manner.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jodi Rell".

M. Jodi Rell
Governor

Passed One Chamber

Bill No.	FY 09 Cost	FY 10 Cost	FY 09 Revenue Loss	FY 10 Revenue Loss	FY 09 Revenue Gain	FY 10 Revenue Gain	FY 09 Cost Avoidance	FY 10 Cost Avoidance	Description
301	potential								
315	potential								
333	potential								
335	potential								
341	potential	100,000							
444	potential								
599	potential								
419	potential								
5877							0	potential	smoking in casinos potential savings, but only if probation officers not retained murder and inheritance paid sick leave state employee health plans AG expansion of large public works contract investigations
668			potential	potential					
217			potential	potential					
167		impact is unknown							
440					Potential significant	Potential significant			
5845			potential	potential					HOPE deductions reverse auction
5899							potential	potential	
5025							potential	potential	Gov's toy safety (amends sHB 5650, by adding "within available appropriations")
5839							0	potential	GAAP - Comptroller may implement Smoking in casinos
419			potential significant	potential significant					
561			potential significant	potential significant					OPM aware of potential significant revenue loss & agreed to bill