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MUNICIPAL IMPACT OF THE GOVERNOR'S PROPOSED STATE BUDGET REVISIONS: SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS FORUM WITH MUNICIPAL LEADERS

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19 – AT 10 A.M.

Municipal leaders from the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities (CCM) will discuss the impact of the Governor's proposed state budget on towns and cities before a special forum the General Assembly's Appropriations Committee on Wednesday, March 19, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the State Legislative Office Building, Room 2C.

Municipal leaders who will testify include:

Bill Finch	Mayor of Bridgeport and President of CCM
Richard Smith	First Selectman of Deep River and President of COST
Toni Harp	Mayor of New Haven
David Martin	Mayor of Stamford
Barbara Gilbert	Town Manager of Rocky Hill and Board Member of COST
Betsy Paterson	Mayor of Mansfield and CCM Board Member
John Elsesser	Town Manager of Coventry and a Board Member of COST
Paul Formica	First Selectman of East Lyme and CCM Board Member
Barbara Henry	First Selectman of Roxbury and Board Member of COST
Mark Lauretti	Mayor of Shelton

Municipal leaders are expected to emphasize to state legislators that the state budget revisions proposed by Governor Malloy for state aid for local public education and PILOT payments for Colleges and Hospitals represent good news overall for CT towns and cities, but some improvements are needed, working with the 2014 General Assembly.