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GOVERNOR RELL ADDRESSES THE BUDGET, APPROPRIATIONS REVIEWS CORRECTIONS CONTRACT AND THE “BOTTLE BILL” RETURNS THIS WEEK ON CT-N CAPITOL REPORT

Hartford, CT – Starting at 7 p.m. this Friday, Connecticut Network viewers can follow the most recent developments in the this year’s budget process during this week’s episode of *Capitol Report*, the network’s week-in-review highlights program. After addressing residents directly during a rare dinnertime address on Monday, Governor Rell delivered her annual budget message to a joint convention of the state House and Senate on Wednesday in which she proposed dramatic budget cuts to close a \$1.35 billion deficit.

Also featured in *Capitol Report* this week are excerpts from last week’s Appropriations Committee meeting and public hearing to consider a state corrections officers’ arbitration award, one of several union contracts for state employees coming up for renewal. This episode also features highlights of Monday’s Environment Committee public hearing on various recycling bills – including the latest iteration of the “bottle bill” which would extend deposits and redemptions to non-carbonated beverages – and other events in state government this week.

Capitol Report summarizes the activity at the State Capitol during the week, using voice over and graphics to combine history, context, and next steps in the process with full-length excerpts from the week’s proceedings. The program premieres on CT-N every Friday night at 7:00 p.m., then rebroadcasts at Noon and 7:00 p.m. on Saturdays, 8:00 p.m. on Sundays, and 6:00 a.m. Monday mornings; check CT-N’s online program schedule for additional airtimes. Each episode runs between 30 and 60 minutes.

Episodes of *Capitol Report* are also available online, in keeping with the network’s seamless integration of telecast and interactive content. Visit www.ct-n.com/CR for OnDemand and podcast downloads of each episode, annotated with synopses and links to related gavel-to-gavel coverage.

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