

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

The South Central Regional Council of Governments (SCRCOG) brings together local governments to coordinate land use and transportation planning. The Council provides a forum to foster communication, coordination and collaboration in identifying and addressing regional issues.

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(Area Code 203 for all of the above)

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Legislative Priorities 2007

VISION

**A revenue and tax
system to achieve
more balance
between state and
municipal revenue
streams and lessen
municipal reliance
on the property tax**

Legislative Action Priorities 2007

Increase the State's share of local education funding, revise the Education Cost Sharing formula to provide adequate and equitable resources to municipalities, and fully fund State reimbursement for Special Education costs.

Expand service of Shoreline East (SLE) to include reverse commute and weekend service and implement commuter rail service from New Haven to Springfield.

Develop a statewide universal healthcare program without new adverse financial impact on municipal governments.

Make permanent municipal share - Real Estate Conveyance Tax at .25% of the sales price.

Provide the revenue sources to fully fund:

PILOTS (including manufacturer's equipment, Town Aid Roads, LoCIP and Pequot/Mohegan Grant)
Senior tax relief program passed last session, similar to circuit breaker reimbursement, instead of
municipal liens on properties

Clean water fund

Municipalities energy conservation and green construction

Amend Current Laws to:

Allow municipalities the same protections granted the State for recreational liability

Allow senior housing funded with state funds to remain elderly