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### **BRIDGEPORT LEGISLATORS: HOUSATONIC COMMUNITY COLLEGE RECEIVES STATE FUNDING TO CONTINUE RENOVATION**

Representatives **Ezequiel Santiago** (D-130<sup>th</sup>), **Andre Baker** (D-124<sup>th</sup>), **Charlie Stallworth** (D-126<sup>th</sup>), **Jack Hennessy** (D-127<sup>th</sup>), **Christopher Rosario** (D-128<sup>th</sup>) and **Steve Stafstrom** (D-129<sup>th</sup>) are pleased to announce approval by the State Bond Commission of funding for Bridgeport's Housatonic Community College to continue renovations and expansion of its classrooms.

**Bridgeport Legislators** said, "Housatonic Community College provides an important start to higher education opportunities for hundreds of students. These funds will help to continue the ongoing plans to renovate the school's facilities to deliver an even more enriching student experience."

Housatonic offers associate degree programs in preparation for transfer to four-year institutions, as well as occupationally oriented associate degree and certificate programs. Short-term, non-credit courses, seminars and workshops, as well as targeted student services help meet community and personal enrichment needs. These programs prepare students for employment, and advancement in business, industry, manufacturing, health services, fine arts, theater, digital media, early childhood education, natural sciences, computer arts and information systems, and human services. The college also assists local businesses and institutions to train and update the skills of their workers.

\$ 2,963,222 was approved today by the State Bond Commission for new furniture and equipment associated with renovations and additions to Lafayette Hall.

Over \$37 million was previously approved for renovations including a four-story addition between Lafayette Boulevard and the current front entrance to the college, as well as renovations within Lafayette Hall. The renovations and expansion will include new art studios, specialized classrooms, science laboratory renovations and health career program laboratory classrooms.

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