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\$800,000,000\* General Obligation Bonds (2025 Series C)

\$715,000,000\* General Obligation Refunding Bonds (2025 Series D)

\$300,000,000\* Taxable General Obligation Bonds (2025 Series B)









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## **Connecticut Credit Highlights**



- Strong governance provisions including balanced budgets and volatility, debt issuance and appropriation caps, position the State to effectively manage economic fluctuations
- "Fiscal Guardrails" that are in place through at least FY 2028 and are locked in by comprehensive bond covenant<sup>1</sup>
- Budget Reserve Fund ("BRF") at increased statutory maximum



- State has reported six straight years of General Fund operating surplus, with another projected in FY25
- Strong liquidity, with week-ending balances of available cash averaging \$10.1 billion in FY25
- Consensus Revenue Forecast continues to project annual increases in General Fund revenues through FY28
- Ample BRF balance \$4.3 billion estimated at FYE25 that has been at its statutory maximum since FY20



- Various reforms to the State's retirement system have put its major pension funds, State Employees' Retirement Fund ("SERF") and Teachers' Retirement Fund ("TRF"), on a sustainable path
- State has fully funded its Actuarially Determined Employer Contribution ("ADEC") for over 5 years
- State has directed \$8.6 billion excess BRF balances to pensions since FY20 with \$1.9 billion projected for FY25
- These supplemental contributions have contributed to improved funding ratios and reduced long-term liabilities



- Per capita income among the highest in the nation
- **Diverse industry exposure**, strong Fortune 500 headquarter presence, strong university presence and extensive transportation network
- Improving state economic growth, which more closely tracked that of the US in the past few years



- Conservative management of General Obligation ("GO") debt portfolio, with 85% of GO debt scheduled to mature within 10 years, 95% within 15 years
- The State has limited variable rate exposure, with approximately 97% of GO debt fixed rate as of September 1, 2025
- The State funds more local needs at a state level than other states; therefore, the State compares favorably to its peers when state and local debt are combined



## **Demonstrated Success**

Connecticut has continued to make significant progress since Governor Lamont took office

Key Metric	2019	2025	Highlight	
Budget Reserve Fund	\$2.5 Billion 13% of Net Appropriations (FYE 2019)	\$4.1 Billion 18% of Net Appropriations (FYE 2024)	64% increase in reserves; fully funded at statutory cap, which was raised in 2024 to 18% of net General Fund appropriations of the current fiscal year	
Pension Funding Levels <sup>1</sup>	State Employees: 38.2% Teachers: 51.7% (FYE 2019)	State Employees: 55.2% Teachers: 62.3% (FYE 2024)	Increased funded ratios reflect commitment to ADEC funding, supplemental contributions of \$8.6 billion in the last five years, with \$1.9 billion projected to be available in FY25 <sup>2</sup>	
Unemployment Rate	3.6% - Connecticut 3.7% - National (Annual Average)	3.8% - Connecticut 4.2% - National (July 2025)	Connecticut employment has returned to pre-pandemic levels	
General Obligation Credit Rating (M/S/F/K)	A1 / A / A+ / AA- (As of March 2019)	Aa2 / AA- / AA / AA+ (Current)	Received upgrades from all four major rating agencies, including most recently to Aa2 and AA by Moody's and Fitch, respectively	



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Based on actuarial valuations and the actuarial value of the assets

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Per OPM's August 20, 2025, estimates as of July 31, 2025

## **Strong Governance**

The State has an array of constitutional provisions, statutes, regulations and administrative policies and procedures in place to ensure sound financial management and to respond to changing conditions

ne	Balanced Budget Requirement	<ul> <li>State Constitution provides that the General Assembly may not authorize general budget expenditures in excess of estimated revenues</li> <li>State law requires that total net appropriations for each fund shall not exceed its estimated revenues</li> </ul>
Discipline	Biennial Budget	<ul> <li>Governor proposes biennial budget each odd-numbered year</li> <li>Budget status monitored, with recommendations for adjustments in even-numbered year, and regular updates to forecasts</li> </ul>
Budgetary	Line Item Veto	<ul> <li>Under State Constitution, the Governor has the power to veto any line of any itemized appropriations bill while at the same time approving the remainder of the bill</li> </ul>
gpn	BRF	The State has both a constitutional and a statutory regime for funding the Budget Reserve Fund
B	Existing Bond Covenant	■ The State has covenanted with prior bondholders to follow prescribed financial disciplines and controls <sup>1</sup>
	Spending Cap	<ul> <li>Under the State Constitution, the General Assembly's ability to increase expenditures each year is limited to the greater of the percentage increase in personal income or the percentage increase in inflation, with certain exceptions</li> </ul>
Controls	Revenue Cap	<ul> <li>Statutorily prohibited from authorizing General Fund and Special Transportation Fund appropriations in any FY exceeding 98.75% of the revenue forecast</li> </ul>
ncial Cor	Debt Limit	<ul> <li>By statute, subject to certain exceptions, the State may not authorize GO debt &gt; 1.6x General Fund tax receipts</li> <li>The Treasurer certifies the debt limit in connection with each authorization of debt by the General Assembly and the State Bond Commission; in addition, there are issuance limits imposed on the Treasurer</li> </ul>
Financial	Rescission Authority & Deficit Mitigation	<ul> <li>The Governor is required to propose mitigation plans should projections indicate a General Fund deficit greater than 1% of total General Fund appropriations</li> <li>The Governor is authorized to reduce allotments up to 5% of any appropriation, but not to exceed 3% of any fund and to make further reductions with legislative approval</li> </ul>
Fore	ular Revenue ecasting & nitoring Tools	<ul> <li>The State has regular revenue forecasting, fiscal progress monitoring and multi-year planning tools in place</li> <li>Monthly reports are required from the Comptroller and the Office of Policy and Management</li> <li>Periodic reports are required from other entities, including the Legislature's Office of Fiscal Analysis</li> </ul>



# Connecticut's Fiscal Discipline is Enforced by "Fiscal Guardrails"

The State's legislature extended the fiscal guardrails in 2023 through at least 20281

## **Spending Cap**

Limits expenditure growth in the State's budget to the greater of the:

- % increase in personal income over prior five years, or
- ii. % increase in inflation, year to year

## **Revenue Cap**

Limits appropriations to a set level below the revenue forecast (98.75% annually) to handle modest budgetary issues that may arise during a given FY, creating a mandatory surplus

#### **Volatility Cap**

Directs revenue above a certain level from both the State's estimates and finals portion of the Personal Income Tax and Pass-Through Entity Tax to the BRF; volatility cap threshold reset in 2025 and will continue to be adjusted annually based on CAGR of personal income over the preceding five calendar years

## **Budget Reserve Fund**

Constitutional and statutory regime for funding; when the BRF is not full, the volatility cap transfer and any year-end surplus are deposited into the BRF until the statutory cap of 18% is met, after which additional volatility cap amounts will be used to pay down long-term liabilities, and any year-end surplus will be transferred to the Early Childhood Education Endowment<sup>3</sup>

#### **Debt Limit**

Constrains GO Bond authorizations to 1.6x net General Fund tax receipts

## **Bond Authorization and Issuance Cap**

Limits State Bond Commission GO authorizations and GO debt issuance (\$2.4 billion limit in FY2024, subject to prescribed inflationary adjustments thereafter)

#### **Existing Bond Covenant**

- A bond covenant contained in prior State bonds requires adherence to the State's various fiscal guardrails (as outlined above) and prohibits changing them (with limited exceptions) through at least FY 2028<sup>1, 2</sup>
- Adherence to the bond covenant is required unless adequate provision is made for the bondholders, or in a fiscal year in which there is a:
  - Gubernatorial declaration of an emergency or the existence of extraordinary circumstances; and
  - Supermajority vote of the legislature (three-fifths vote in both the House and the Senate)



Source: POS Part II: FINANCIAL PROCEDURES; STATE DEBT

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Extended through June 30, 2033, unless a resolution of the General Assembly is adopted between January 1, 2028, and July 1, 2028, not to continue fiscal guardrails beyond June 30, 2028. All General Obligation bonds issued from July 1, 2023, to July 1, 2025, included a covenant requiring the State to comply with various statutory guardrails known as fiscal guardrails

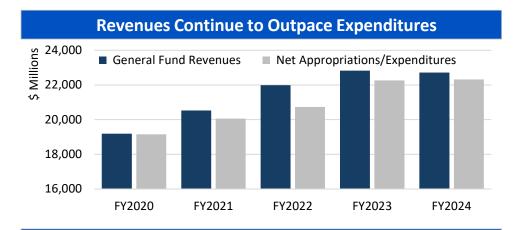
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Certain components of the fiscal quardrails themselves permit alterations subject to certain conditions

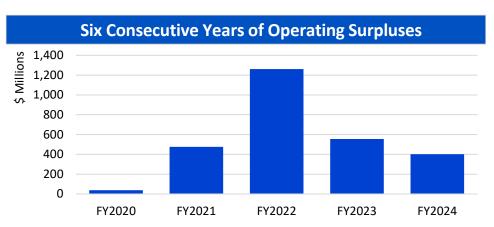
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> For FY 2025, only up to \$300 million is transferred to the endowment

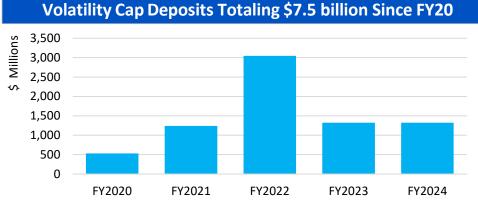
## **Positive Historical Financial Results**

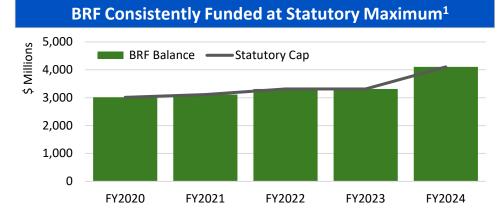
## The State recorded its sixth consecutive year of General Fund operating surplus in FY2024

- Total Revenues have trended upwards over time, increasing by 18% from FY2020 FY2024
- For FY2024, the State's General Fund produced a surplus of \$401 million and a \$1.3 billion volatility cap transfer
  - This allowed the State's BRF to reach the new 18% statutory cap
  - Excess amount of \$933 million was applied as a supplemental contribution to the pension funds
- The week-ending balances of available cash for FY2025 averaged \$10.1 billion











## **Continued Revenue Growth and Budgetary Performance**

Revenue estimates show continued General Fund revenue growth with the State's FY2026-27 Adopted Budgets reflecting General Fund operating surpluses

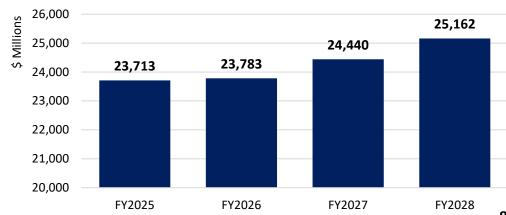
 FY25 estimates are tracking in line with budgeted levels, with the expected volatility cap transfer exceeding original projections

Genera	l Fund F	Revenues and	Expend	itures

	FY	2025	FY2026	FY2027
(\$MM)	Adopted Budget	Estimated Results <sup>1</sup>	Adopted Budget	Adopted Budget
Total Budgeted Revenues	\$23,103.7	\$23,814.0	\$24,345.4	\$25,913.7
Revenue Cap Deduction	-	-	(304.3)	(323.9)
Total Available Revenues	23,103.7	23,814.0	24,041.1	25,589.8
Net Appropriations/Expenditures	22,805.9	23,433.9	24,036.4	25,361.9
Operating Surplus	297.8	380.1	309.1	551.8
Volatility Cap Transfer to BRF	659.6	2,088.5	730.4	622.7

#### **Consensus General Fund Revenue Forecast Estimates**

 The most recent consensus revenue estimates from OPM and the Office of Fiscal Analysis ("OFA") continue to reflect revenue growth in the coming years

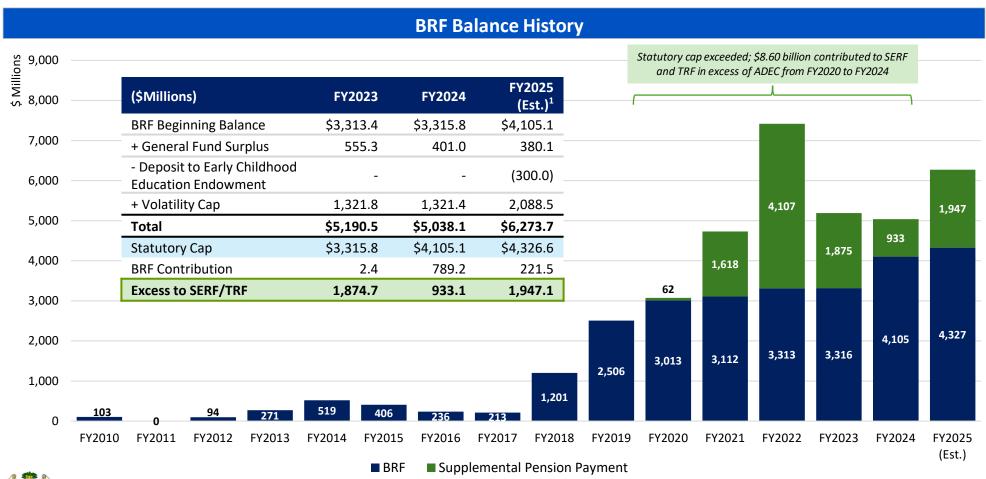




## **Historically High Budget Reserve Fund**

BRF projected at statutory maximum for 6<sup>th</sup> consecutive year

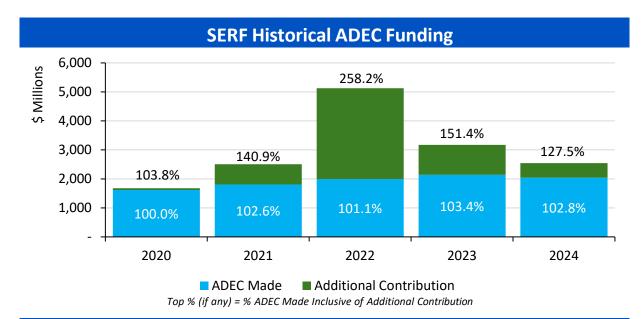
- BRF statutory maximum of 15% of the net General Fund appropriations increased to 18% on July 1, 2024
- BRF has exceeded the statutory maximum each year since FY2020, and the excess has been directed as additional contributions to pay down unfunded SERF and TRF pension liabilities

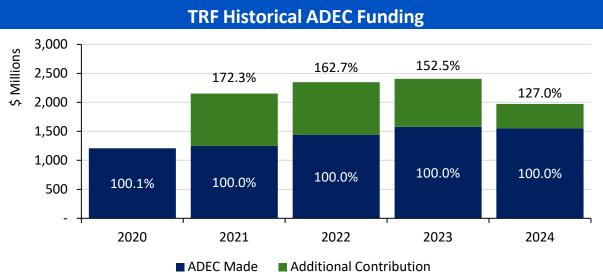




## **Significant Increases in Pension Funding**

The State is committed to sustainably funding its pension obligations





■ ADEC Made ■ Additional Contribution

Top % (if any) = % ADEC Made Inclusive of Additional Contribution

- Implemented important reforms in 2017 (SERF) and 2019 (TRF)
- Consistently meets ADEC requirements
- Made additional contributions five years in a row, totaling \$8.6 billion
  - An additional \$1.9 billion anticipated to be available to be deposited by the end of calendar year 2025
- The additional deposit to SERF and TRF in FY2024 is estimated to produce \$2.1 billion in ADEC savings over the projection period

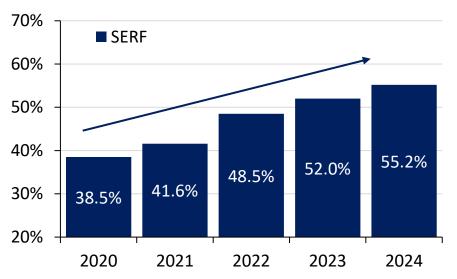


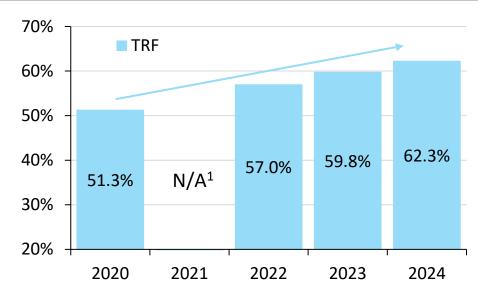
# **Improved Pension Funded Ratios**

Pension management has resulted in improved funded ratios

(\$MM)	SERF	TRF
Actuarial Accrued Liability	\$42,869.8	\$42,260.0
Actuarial Value of Assets	23,683.6	26,333.6
Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability	19,186.2	15,926.3
Market Value of Assets	23,890.9	26,392.6
Funded Ratio (Actuarial Value)	55.2%	62.3%
Investment Rate Assumption	6.9%	6.9%
Remaining Weighted Average Amortization	21.6 years	24.7 years

## **Funded Ratio (Actuarial Value)**

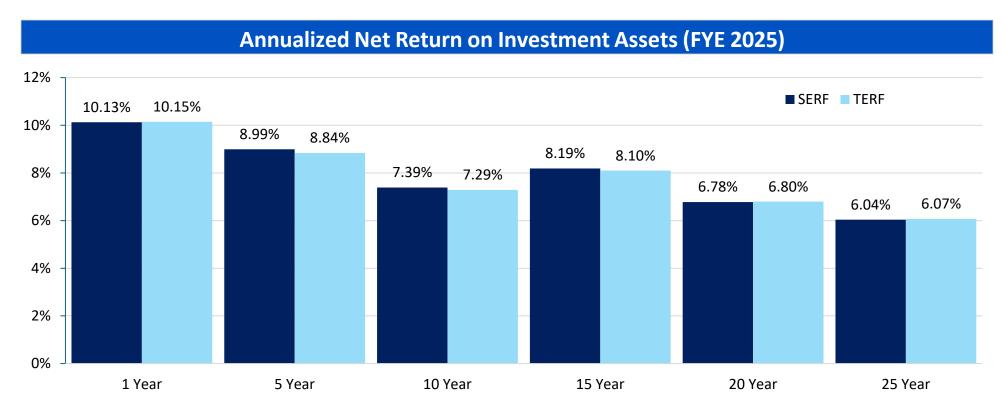






## **Sound Pension Management**

- Adjusted asset allocation plan
- Constituted Investment Advisory Council with significant number of members with investment expertise
- Strengthened investment staff
- Implemented market hedging strategies

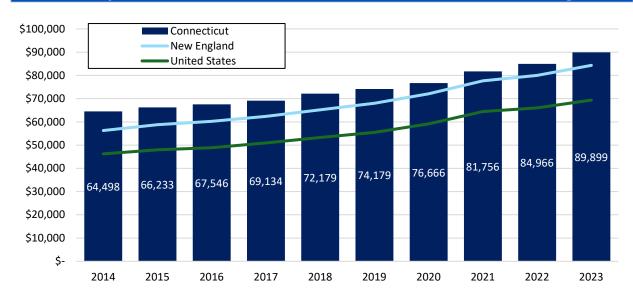


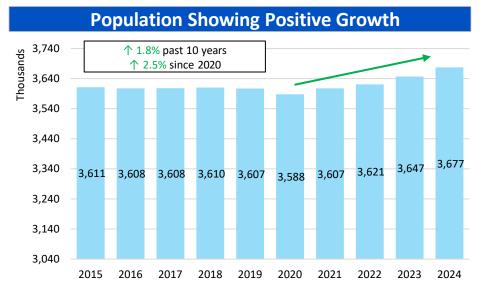


# Highly Developed, Urbanized State with High Wealth

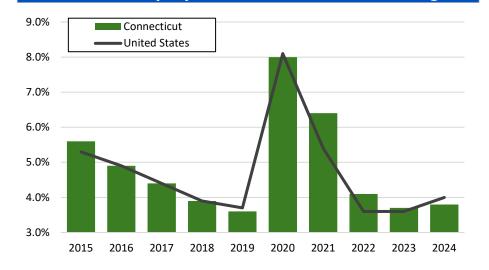
- Connecticut's per capita income is among the highest of all states
- As of 2023, per capita income was
   129.6% of the national average while maintaining similar unemployment levels
- Consistent population growth since 2020
- In 2024, Connecticut's unemployment rate was 3.8%, below the national unemployment rate of 4.0%

## Per Capita Personal Income Continues to Lead the US and Region





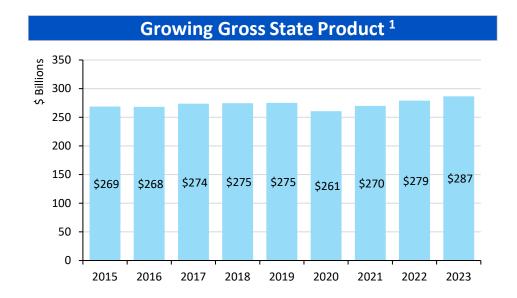
#### **2024 Unemployment Below National Average**



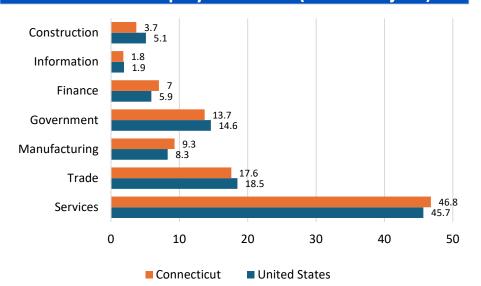


## **Strong Regional Economy and Diverse Industries**

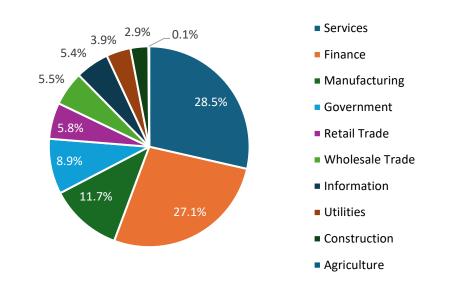
- The State's Gross State Product ("GSP") increased 2.7% year over year in CY2023 vs. 1.8% in New England and 2.9% nationally
- 2023 GSP was concentrated in finance, insurance and real estate ("FIRE"), services, manufacturing and government, which accounted for 76.3% of total production in the State, vs. 70.3% for the nation<sup>2</sup>
- The State has a diversified employment base similar to that of the United States as a whole



#### **Diversified Employment Base (% of total jobs)**



#### **Gross State Product by Industry (2023)**





<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Figures for the United States represent Gross Domestic Product

## **Educated Workforce and Extensive Transportation Network**

#### **Highly Educated Workforce**

- Ranked 6<sup>th</sup> nationally (2023), with 42.9% of the population aged 25+ holding a bachelor's degree or higher
- Home to over 45 colleges and universities













Wesleyan University







UNIVERSITY OF HARTFORD

#### **Extensive Transportation Network**

- Connecticut has an extensive network of expressways and major arterial highways; rail, bus, paratransit, ferry service throughout the State
- Advantageously located halfway between Boston and New York
- Easy access to local, regional and international markets









**AMTRAK** 

Metro-North Railroad









#### **Home to 15 Fortune 500 Companies**

- Connecticut is home to some of the country's leading companies, including 15 Fortune 500 Companies
- In Federal Fiscal Year 2023, defense awards to companies in Connecticut ranked 1<sup>st</sup> in per capita dollars among the 50 states































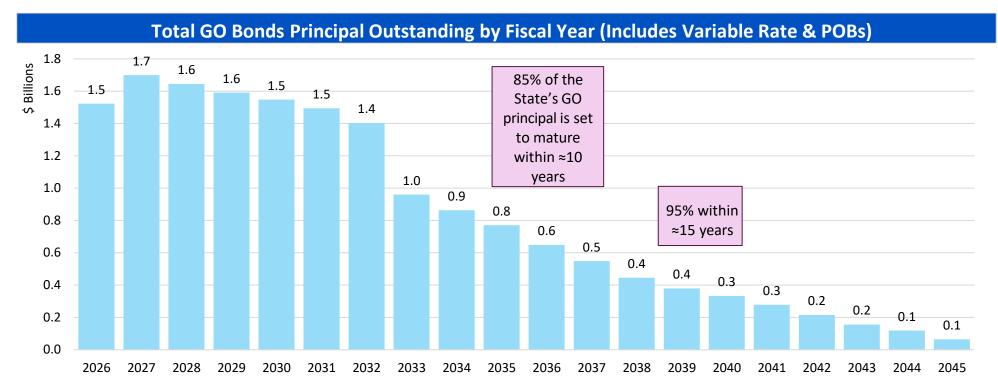




## **Conservative Debt Management**

The State employs conservative debt management practices with limited and declining variable rate exposure and no current or planned swap exposure

- Approximately 97% of GO debt is fixed rate debt
- New money issues are typically structured with level principal amortization over 20 years for tax-exempt bonds and 10 years for taxable bonds
- Refunding savings are typically taken over the life of the bonds





# **Transaction Summary**

State of Connecticut  General Obligation Bonds						
Series	2025 Series C	2025 Series D	Taxable 2025 Series B			
Par Amount*	\$800,000,000	\$715,000,000	\$300,000,000			
Tax Status	Federally Ta Connecticut		Federally Taxable Connecticut Tax-Exempt			
Security		Full Faith and Credit of the State				
Use of Proceeds*	New Money, Various Projects and Purposes	Current Refunding, Refunding of BABs	New Money, Various Projects and Purposes			
Principal Payment Date*		August 15 <sup>th</sup>				
Structure*	Level Principal 2026-2045	Uniform Savings Structure 2026-2035	Level Principal 2026-2035			
Optional Redemption*	August 15, 20_ @ 100%	Non-Callable	Make-Whole Call			
Ratings (M/S/F/K)	Aa2 (Stable) / AA- (Stable) / AA (Stable) / AA+ (Stable)					
Retail Order Period*	Wednesday, September 24, 2025					
Pricing*	Thursday, September 25, 2025					
Closing*	Wednesday, October 15, 2025					



# **Preliminary Bond Amortization\***

Maturity	Series C Bonds	Maturity	Series D Refunding Bonds	Mat	urity	Series B Taxable Bonds	Total
08/15/2026	\$40,000,000	08/15/2026	\$135,000,000	08/15	/2026	\$30,000,000	\$205,000,000
08/15/2027	40,000,000	08/15/2027	140,000,000	08/15	/2027	30,000,000	210,000,000
08/15/2028	40,000,000	08/15/2028	140,000,000	08/15	/2028	30,000,000	210,000,000
08/15/2029	40,000,000	08/15/2029	90,000,000	08/15	/2029	30,000,000	160,000,000
08/15/2030	40,000,000	08/15/2030	60,000,000	08/15	/2030	30,000,000	130,000,000
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08/15/2045	40,000,000						40,000,000
Total:	\$800,000,000		\$715,000,000			\$300,000,000	\$1,815,000,000



## **Transaction Timeline and Contacts**

## **Anticipated Financing Timeline\***

	September 2025						
S	M	Т	W	Т	F	S	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	
28	29	30					

October 2025						
S	M	Т	W	Т	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

Date	Activity
Thursday, September 11 <sup>th</sup>	Post POS
Wednesday, September 24 <sup>th</sup>	Retail Order Period
Thursday, September 25 <sup>th</sup>	Institutional Order Period
Wednesday, October 15 <sup>th</sup>	Closing

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Retail / Institutional Order Peri	od Closing

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