



Department of Children and Families **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

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NEW BILLS OF INTEREST

[S.B. No. 788](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST.; REP. ARESIMOWICZ, 30th DIST.; REP. RITTER, 1st DIST. 'AN ACT AUTHORIZING AND ADJUSTING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, TRANSPORTATION AND OTHER PURPOSES', to implement the Governor's budget recommendations. REF. FINANCE, REVENUE AND BONDING

[S.B. No. 796](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST.; REP. ARESIMOWICZ, 30th DIST.; REP. RITTER, 1st DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF RESPECTFUL AND PERSON-FIRST LANGUAGE', to implement the Governor's budget recommendations. REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

[H.B. No. 6260](#) (COMM) PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING TRAINING PROGRAMS FOR STATE AND LOCAL POLICE REGARDING THE ELOPEMENT OR WANDERING OF CHILDREN DIAGNOSED WITH AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER', to require the training program for state and local police to include training for the handling of cases involving the elopement or wandering of children diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder. REF. PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

[H.B. No. 7026](#) REP. ARESIMOWICZ, 30th DIST.; REP. RITTER, 1st DIST.; SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST. 'AN ACT MAKING DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2017', to implement the Governor's budget recommendations. REF. APPROPRIATIONS

[.B. No. 7027](#) REP. ARESIMOWICZ, 30th DIST.; REP. RITTER, 1st DIST.; SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATE BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM ENDING JUNE THIRTIETH 2019, AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS THEREFOR', to implement the Governor's budget recommendations. REF. APPROPRIATIONS

[H.B. No. 7035](#) REP. ARESIMOWICZ, 30th DIST.; REP. RITTER, 1st DIST.; SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST. 'AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE GOVERNOR'S BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING EDUCATION', to implement the Governor's budget recommendations. REF. EDUCATION

[H.B. No. 7040](#) REP. ARESIMOWICZ, 30th DIST.; REP. RITTER, 1st DIST.; SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST. 'AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE GOVERNOR'S BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS FOR HUMAN SERVICES PROGRAMS', to implement the Governor's budget recommendations. REF. HUMAN SERVICES

[H.B. No. 7045](#) REP. ARESIMOWICZ, 30th DIST.; REP. RITTER, 1st DIST.; SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING JUVENILE AND YOUNG ADULT JUSTICE', to implement the Governor's budget recommendations. REF. JUDICIARY

[H.B. No. 7052](#) REP. ARESIMOWICZ, 30th DIST.; REP. RITTER, 1st DIST.; SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST.; SEN. DUFF, 25th DIST. 'AN ACT PREVENTING PRESCRIPTION OPIOID DIVERSION AND ABUSE', to implement the Governor's budget recommendations. REF. GENERAL LAW

PUBLIC HEARINGS

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2017

The Public Health Committee will hold a public hearing on **Friday, February 10, 2017 at 12:00 P.M.** in **Room 1D** of the LOB

- Proposed S.B. No. 36 AN ACT CONCERNING THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER.

- H.B. No. 6979 (Raised) AN ACT CONCERNING THE ACCREDITATION OF DENTAL ASSISTANT PROGRAMS.
- H.B. No. 6980 (Raised) AN ACT CONCERNING ART THERAPISTS.
- Proposed S.B. No. 34 AN ACT CONCERNING THE RECOGNITION OF STROKE CENTERS.
- Proposed S.B. No. 247 AN ACT PERMITTING THE HEALTH CARE CABINET TO STUDY AND RECOMMEND METHODS TO CREATE A HEALTH CARE COST GROWTH TARGET.
- Proposed H.B. No. 5384 AN ACT RAISING THE LEGAL AGE FOR PURCHASE AND USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS.
- Proposed H.B. No. 5452 AN ACT CONCERNING THE PRACTICAL TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE OF STUDENT EMBALMERS.
- Proposed S.B. No. 37 AN ACT CONCERNING HEALTH EMERGENCY RESPONSE OPERATIONS.
- Proposed S.B. No. 126 AN ACT CONCERNING COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS.
- Proposed H.B. No. 5660 AN ACT REQUIRING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ELDER ABUSE REGISTRY.
- Proposed H.B. No. 5172 AN ACT CONCERNING STAFFING AT STATE-OPERATED FACILITIES FOR THE TREATMENT OF PERSONS WITH SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS.
- Proposed H.B. No. 5667 AN ACT EXPANDING ACCESS TO SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT FACILITIES.
- Proposed S.B. No. 552 AN ACT CONCERNING A STANDING ORDER PROGRAM FOR DISPENSING OPIOID ANTAGONISTS.
- H.B. No. 7010 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING OPIOIDS AND SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS.
- Proposed H.B. No. 5381 AN ACT REQUIRING PAIN CONTRACTS PRIOR TO PRESCRIBING OPIOIDS.
- Proposed H.B. No. 5666 AN ACT REQUIRING WELLNESS CHECK-INS FOR PATIENTS WITH PRESCRIPTIONS FOR OPIOID ANTAGONISTS.
- Proposed H.B. No. 5755 AN ACT CONCERNING MUNICIPALITIES' LOCAL EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PLANS.
- Proposed H.B. No. 5760 AN ACT REQUIRING EDUCATION CONCERNING THE RISKS OF OPIOID ADDICTION AND PROPER STORAGE AND DISPOSAL OF OPIOID MEDICATION.
- Proposed H.B. No. 6037 AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF PSYCHIATRIC CARE BEDS TO BE USED FOR PATIENTS RECOVERING FROM HEALTH CONCERNS RELATED TO OPIOID ABUSE.
- Proposed H.B. No. 6697 AN ACT REQUIRING A PHARMACIST TO REVIEW A PATIENT'S RECORDS IN THE ELECTRONIC PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING SYSTEM PRIOR TO DISPENSING AN OPIOID MEDICATION.
- S.B. No. 755 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE COUNCIL ON MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM OVERSIGHT.

**HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2017**

The Human Services Committee will hold a public hearing on **Tuesday, February 14, 2017 at 12:00 P.M.** in **Room 2A** of the LOB.

SUBJECT MATTER: Miscellaneous Human Services Bills

- S.B. No. 775 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING CONVEYANCES OF PROPERTY BY RECIPIENTS OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE.
- S.B. No. 801 (RAISED) AN ACT REQUIRING CLIENT-SPECIFIC EMPLOYEE TRAINING AND EMPLOYEE TRANSITION PLANNING FOR HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED CARE PROVIDERS.
- S.B. No. 802 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE FOR INJURIES SUSTAINED BY PERSONAL CARE ATTENDANTS EMPLOYED DIRECTLY BY CONSUMERS IN THE COMMUNITY FIRST CHOICE PROGRAM.
- S.B. No. 803 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING PRESUMPTIVE MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY FOR HOME CARE.
- S.B. No. 804 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING A SOCIAL WORK IN-HOME SUPPORT PROGRAM.

- H.B. No. 7037 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING IMPROVEMENTS TO INCOME WITHHOLDING FOR CHILD SUPPORT.
- H.B. No. 7038 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING A MEDICAID STATE PLAN AMENDMENT TO COMBINE RATES FOR HOMEMAKER AND COMPANION SERVICES.
- H.B. No. 7039 (RAISED) AN ACT REDUCING STATE CONSERVATORSHIP EXPENSES.
- H.B. No. 7041 (RAISED) AN ACT INCREASING THE RATE OF REIMBURSEMENT FOR MEALS ON WHEELS.

**COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2017**

The Committee on Children will hold a public hearing on **Tuesday, February 16, 2017 at 10:00 A.M.** in **Room 2B** of the LOB.

SUBJECT MATTER: Miscellaneous. Bills

- S.B. No. 765 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES.
- S.B. No. 766 (RAISED) AN ACT EXTENDING CERTAIN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES REPORTING DEADLINES.
- S.B. No. 767 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING CHILDHOOD OBESITY.
- S.B. No. 768 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF HAND-HELD MOBILE TELEPHONES AND MOBILE ELECTRONIC DEVICES BY INDIVIDUALS UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN WHILE DRIVING.
- S.B. No. 769 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING CONCUSSIONS AND YOUTH ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED ON PUBLIC ATHLETIC FIELDS.
- H.B. No. 5402 (COMM) AN ACT CONCERNING CAMERA, COMPUTER AND CELLULAR MOBILE TELEPHONE REPAIR PERSONNEL AS MANDATED REPORTERS.
- H.B. No. 6741 (COMM) AN ACT CONCERNING THE RIGHT OF COUNSEL TO ACCESS RECORDS IN CERTAIN ABUSE AND NEGLECT PROCEEDINGS.
- S.B. No. 783 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING CHILDREN'S DEVELOPMENT.
- H.B. No. 7022 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE CHILDREN'S REPORT CARD.
- H.B. No. 5472 (COMM) AN ACT CONCERNING THE EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN IN PANHANDLING.

**PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2017**

The Public Health Committee will hold a public hearing on **Friday, February 17, 2017 at 10:30 A.M.** in **Room 1D** of the LOB.

SUBJECT MATTER: Various Public Health Bills

- Proposed S.B. No. 3 AN ACT CONCERNING THE DONATION OF ORGANS AND BONE MARROW.
- Proposed S.B. No. 750 AN ACT CONCERNING ORGAN DONATION.
- Proposed H.B. No. 6021 AN ACT CONCERNING HOMELESS AND UNACCOMPANIED MINOR CONSENT TO PRIMARY CARE.
- Proposed H.B. No. 6012 AN ACT CONCERNING CONSUMER PROTECTION IN EYE CARE.
- Proposed H.B. No. 6496 AN ACT CONCERNING CLINICAL TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES WITH CONNECTICUT HOSPITALS.
- Proposed S.B. No. 35 AN ACT CONCERNING BEVERAGES WITH ADDED SUGARS, SWEETENERS AND ARTIFICIAL SWEETENERS AND OBESITY.
- Proposed S.B. No. 250 AN ACT CONCERNING CLINICAL PLACEMENTS FOR IN-STATE MEDICAL STUDENTS.
- Proposed H.B. No. 6237 AN ACT ADOPTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE DIABETES ADVISORY COUNCIL.
- Proposed H.B. No. 5564 AN ACT CONCERNING ACCESSIBILITY OF MEDICAL DIAGNOSTIC EQUIPMENT.

- H.B. No. 7048 (RAISED) AN ACT PROTECTING YOUTH AND STUDENT ATHLETES FROM CONCUSSIONS.
- Proposed S.B. No. 317 AN ACT CONCERNING COMMUNITY-BASED HEALTH CARE SERVICES.
- Proposed S.B. No. 438 AN ACT ASSISTING COMMUNITY HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS.
- Proposed H.B. No. 6015 AN ACT PROTECTING PATIENTS AGAINST SURPRISE OUT-OF-NETWORK MEDICAL BILLS.
- Proposed H.B. No. 6951 AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROTECTION OF PATIENTS RECEIVING TELEHEALTH CARE OR SERVICES.
- Proposed H.B. No. 5811 AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF TELEHEALTH SERVICES.
- Proposed S.B. No. 447 AN ACT CONCERNING THE BIDIRECTIONAL EXCHANGE OF PATIENT ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORDS.
- Proposed S.B. No. 316 AN ACT PROHIBITING HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS FROM REFERRING PATIENTS TO CERTAIN HEALTH CARE FACILITIES.
- Proposed S.B. No. 451 AN ACT PROTECTING PATIENTS FROM UNREASONABLE MEDICAL BILLS.
- Proposed H.B. No. 5168 AN ACT CONCERNING MANDATE RELIEF FOR HOSPITALS.
- Proposed S.B. No. 248 AN ACT REQUIRING A CERTIFICATE OF NEED FOR THE REDUCTION OF SERVICES AT A HOSPITAL.
- Proposed H.B. No. 5382 AN ACT REQUIRING A REVIEW OF THE CERTIFICATE OF NEED PROCESS.
- Proposed H.B. No. 6035 AN ACT CONCERNING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFICATES OF NEED.
- Proposed S.B. No. 443 AN ACT CONCERNING THE MONITORING OF HEALTH CARE TRENDS BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.
- Proposed S.B. No. 444 AN ACT REQUIRING THE HEALTH CARE CABINET TO STUDY ESTABLISHING A HEALTH CARE COST GROWTH TARGET AND REPORT ON TOTAL STATE-WIDE HEALTH CARE SPENDING.
- Proposed H.B. No. 6483 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE REGARDING THE IMPENDING SHORTAGE IN THE PSYCHIATRY WORKFORCE.
- Proposed S.B. No. 437 AN ACT INCREASING ENGAGEMENT ON THE STATE HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ADVISORY COUNCIL.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Fri., Feb. 10 - 10:30 AM	Public Health Committee Public Hearing	Room 1D
Tues., Feb. 14 – 11:00 AM	Human Services Committee Meeting	Room 2A
Tues., Feb. 14 – 12:00 PM	Human Services Public Hearing	Room 2A
Tues., Feb. 14 – 1:00 PM	Children’s Committee Meeting	Room 1C
Wed., Feb. 15 – 10:00 AM	Judiciary Committee Meeting	Room 2E
Wed., Feb. 15 – 2:00 PM	Education Committee Meeting	Room 2E
Thur., Feb. 16 – 10:00 AM	Children’s Committee Public Hearing	Room 2B
Thur., Feb. 16 – 10:00 AM	Appropriations Committee - DCF Budget Presentation	Room 2C
Thur., Feb. 16 – 4:30 PAM	Appropriations Committee – Public Budget Hearing	Room 2C
Fri., Feb. 17 – 10:00 AM	Judiciary Committee Public Hearing	Room 2E
Fri., Feb. 17 - 10:30 AM	Public Health Committee Public Hearing	Room 1D
Tues., Feb. 21 - 1:00 PM	Human Services Committee Meeting	Room 2A
Fri., Feb. 24 – 10:00 AM	Judiciary Committee Public Hearing	Room 2B
Mon., Feb. 27 – 10:00 AM	Judiciary Committee Public Hearing	Room 2B
Thur., Mar. 2 - 11:00 AM	Human Services Committee Meeting	Room 2A
Tues., Mar.7 - 11:00 AM	Human Services Committee Meeting	Room 2A
Tues., Mar.14 - 1:00 PM	Human Services Committee Meeting	Room 2A
Thur., Mar.16 - 1:00 PM	Human Services Committee Meeting	Room 2A
Tues., Mar.21 - 1:00 PM	Human Services Committee Meeting	Room 2A
Thur., Mar.23 - 1:00 PM	Human Services Committee Meeting	Room 2A

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