



# Department of Children and Families **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

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## NEW BILLS OF INTEREST

**S.B. No. 523** (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING AN ANIMAL ABUSE REGISTRY', to establish an animal abuse registry. REF. JUDICIARY

**H.B. No. 5564** (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE CLOSURE OF THE CONNECTICUT JUVENILE TRAINING SCHOOL', to require the Commissioner of the Department of Children and Families, in consultation with the director of the Juvenile and Family Services Division of the Judicial Branch, to jointly submit a plan relating to the closure of the Connecticut Juvenile Training School to the General Assembly. REF. JUDICIARY

**H.B. No. 5575** (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE APPOINTMENT OF A LICENSED HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL TO PROVIDE TREATMENT OR AN EVALUATION IN CONNECTION WITH A FAMILY RELATIONS MATTER', to allow a party to a family relations matter to have greater input on the selection of a licensed health care professional who is to provide treatment or an evaluation in connection with such matter. REF. JUDICIARY

**H.B. No. 5577** (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE SCHEDULING OF COURT HEARINGS FOR CERTAIN FAMILY RELATIONS MATTERS', to require that a court hearing concerning an award of alimony and support pendente lite be held not later than ninety days after the return day of the complaint unless otherwise agreed to, in writing, by the parties. REF. JUDICIARY

**H.B. No. 5578** (RAISED) JUDICIARY. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CONNECTICUT SENTENCING COMMISSION WITH RESPECT TO THE SEXUAL OFFENDER REGISTRY', to enact the recommendations of the Connecticut Sentencing Commission with respect to the sex offender registry. REF. JUDICIARY

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## PUBLIC HEARINGS

### JUDICIARY COMMITTEE FRIDAY, MARCH 23, 2018

The Judiciary Committee will hold a public hearing on **Friday, March 23, 2018 at 10:00 A.M.** in **Room 2C** of the LOB.

SUBJECT MATTER: Miscellaneous Bills.

S.B. No. 510 (RAISED) AN ACT CREATING DRUG DEALER CIVIL LIABILITY AND CONCERNING THE DEALING OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS.

S.B. No. 515 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING MINOR AND TECHNICAL CHANGES TO VARIOUS STATUTES CONCERNING THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM

H.B. No. 5538 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING A NONEXPIRING AMMUNITION PERMIT.

H.B. No. 5539 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING FIREARMS IN STATE PARKS.

H.B. No. 5540 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING GHOST GUNS AND THE PERMIT APPLICATION PROCESS.

H.B. No. 5542 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING BUMP STOCKS AND OTHER MEANS OF ENHANCING THE RATE OF FIRE OF A FIREARM.

H.B. No. 5551 (RAISED) AN ACT INCREASING PENALTIES FOR DEALING SYNTHETIC DRUGS.

H.B. No. 5553 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING CRIMINAL LIABILITY IN THE CASE OF DRUG OVERDOSE DEATHS, INCREASING THE PENALTY FOR THE POSSESSION OF A NARCOTIC AND CRIMINALIZING THE MISBRANDING OF SYNTHETIC DRUGS.

H.B. No. 5555 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE YOUTH VIOLENCE INITIATIVE.

H.B. No. 5556 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE EVALUATION AND TRACKING OF PROSECUTIONS OF CRIMES COMMITTED WITH THE USE OF A FIREARM.

H.B. No. 5557 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE COMPETENCY OF A DEFENDANT TO STAND TRIAL.

H.B. No. 5558 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING JUVENILE MATTERS.

H.B. No. 5559 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE TRANSFER OF CASES OF REPEAT JUVENILE FELONY OFFENDERS TO THE REGULAR CRIMINAL DOCKET.

H.B. No. 5560 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE AUTHORITY OF THE COURT TO ENFORCE ZONING REGULATIONS.

H.B. No. 5561 (RAISED) AN ACT IMPROVING CODE ENFORCEMENT PROCESSES.

H.B. No. 5562 (RAISED) AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE JUVENILE JUSTICE POLICY AND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

**JUDICIARY COMMITTEE  
MONDAY, MARCH 26, 2018**

The Judiciary Committee will hold a public hearing on **Monday, March 26, 2018 at 10:00 A.M.** in **Room 2C** of the LOB.

SUBJECT MATTER: Miscellaneous Bills.

S.B. No. 132 (COMM) AN ACT COMBATTING SEXUAL HARASSMENT AND SEXUAL ASSAULT.

S.B. No. 516 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE REVISOR'S TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS TO THE GENERAL STATUTES.

S.B. No. 517 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF NOTICE OF CONDEMNATION AND ASSESSMENT OF DAMAGES FROM THE COMMISSIONER OF TRANSPORTATION TO A PERSON HAVING AN INTEREST OF RECORD.

S.B. No. 518 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE FOR HOMEOWNERS WITH CRUMBLING CONCRETE FOUNDATIONS.

S.B. No. 519 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING OPEN-FILE DISCLOSURE.

S.B. No. 520 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY OF THE CRIMINAL LAWS IN THIS STATE.

S.B. No. 521 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION.

S.B. No. 522 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS OF VICTIMS.

S.B. No. 523 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING AN ANIMAL ABUSE REGISTRY.

S.B. No. 524 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING REVISIONS TO VARIOUS STATUTES CONCERNING THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM.

H.B. No. 5543 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE TRUST ACT.

H.B. No. 5545 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING LOCAL AND STATE COOPERATION IN THE ENFORCEMENT OF FEDERAL IMMIGRATION LAW.

H.B. No. 5563 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING ROBO CALLS AND SPOOFING.

H.B. No. 5564 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE CLOSURE OF THE CONNECTICUT JUVENILE TRAINING SCHOOL.

H.B. No. 5565 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING STATE PENSION REVOCATION IN THE CASE OF A FELONY.

H.B. No. 5566 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING SERVICE ANIMALS.

H.B. No. 5567 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY OF THE LAWS OF CIVIL PROCEDURE AND THE LAWS OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE OF THIS STATE.

H.B. No. 5568 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING NOTIFICATION BY CONTRACTORS TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS REGARDING ARRESTS OR CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS OF EMPLOYEES AND CONCERNING A CAUSE OF ACTION FOR TEACHERS HARMED BY AN UNREMEDIED HAZARDOUS CONDITION.

H.B. No. 5570 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING ACTIONS AGAINST ARCHITECTS, PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS.

H.B. No. 5571 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING HUMAN TRAFFICKING.

H.B. No. 5572 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING ACCELERATED REHABILITATION IN THE CASE OF ANIMAL ABUSE.

H.B. No. 5575 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE APPOINTMENT OF A LICENSED HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL TO PROVIDE TREATMENT OR AN EVALUATION IN CONNECTION WITH A FAMILY RELATIONS MATTER.

H.B. No. 5576 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING AN ON-LINE REGISTRY OF PERSONS CONVICTED OF A CRIME INVOLVING MURDER.

H.B. No. 5577 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE SCHEDULING OF COURT HEARINGS FOR CERTAIN FAMILY RELATIONS MATTERS.

H.B. No. 5578 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CONNECTICUT SENTENCING COMMISSION WITH RESPECT TO THE SEXUAL OFFENDER REGISTRY.

H.B. No. 5579 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE RESTORATION OF A LICENSE.

**JUDICIARY COMMITTEE  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28, 2018**

The Judiciary Committee will hold a public hearing on **Wednesday, March 28, 2018 at 10:00 A.M.** in **Room 2C** of the LOB.

S.B. No. 13 AN ACT CONCERNING FAIR TREATMENT OF INCARCERATED WOMEN.

S.B. No. 14 AN ACT CONCERNING SPECIAL PAROLE FOR HIGH-RISK, VIOLENT AND SEXUAL OFFENDERS.

S.B. No. 484 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING GRAND JURY REFORM.

S.B. No. 486 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING NOTIFICATION TO BOARDS OF EDUCATION OF THE RELEASE OF A JUVENILE SEXUAL OFFENDER AND A MODEL POLICY CONCERNING THE REENTRY OF SUCH JUVENILES INTO THE SCHOOL SYSTEM.

S.B. No. 505 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE JURISDICTION OF THE COURTS.

S.B. No. 506 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING EQUIPMENT PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION TO PAROLE OFFICERS.

S.B. No. 507 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING ELIGIBILITY TO EARN RISK REDUCTION RELEASE CREDITS.

S.B. No. 508 (RAISED) AN ACT RESTRICTING THE USE OF NONDISPARAGEMENT AND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS BY STATE AGENCIES AND QUASI-PUBLIC AGENCIES.

S.B. No. 509 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING NEWLY DISCOVERED EVIDENCE.

S.B. No. 512 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE PSYCHIATRIC SECURITY REVIEW BOARD.

S.B. No. 513 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE STUDY OF DIGITAL CURRENCY, BLOCKCHAIN AND SMART CONTRACTS TO PROMOTE ECONOMIC GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT.

S.B. No. 514 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE HEALTH EMERGENCY RESPONSE OPERATIONS ACT.

H.B. No. 5040 AN ACT CONCERNING ADJUDICATION OF CERTAIN YOUNG ADULTS IN JUVENILE COURT.

H.B. No. 5041 AN ACT CONCERNING THE TRANSFER OF JUVENILE SERVICES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES TO THE COURT SUPPORT SERVICES DIVISION OF THE JUDICIAL BRANCH.

H.B. No. 5042 AN ACT CONCERNING PROSECUTION OF LOW-RISK YOUNG OFFENDERS IN ADULT COURT.

H.B. No. 5465 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING GOOD TIME CREDITS.

H.B. No. 5531 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING ENHANCED EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS.

H.B. No. 5541 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE LIABILITY OF LAND SURVEYORS.

H.B. No. 5544 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CONNECTICUT SENTENCING COMMISSION WITH RESPECT TO MISDEMEANOR SENTENCES.

H.B. No. 5546 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING LARCENY AGAINST AN INTELLECTUALLY DISABLED PERSON.

H.B. No. 5547 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING ACCOUNTABILITY FOR THE EARNED RISK REDUCTION CREDIT PROGRAM.

H.B. No. 5548 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING INMATE FURLOUGHS.

H.B. No. 5549 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING CRIMINAL DEFAMATION.

H.B. No. 5550 (RAISED) AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE CRIME OF FALSELY REPORTING AN INCIDENT IN AN EMPLOYMENT CONTEXT.

H.B. No. 5552 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING COURT REVIEW OF AN AGENCY DECISION UNDER THE UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT.

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### **UPCOMING MEETINGS AND HEARINGS**

<b>Thur., Mar. 22 - 10:00 AM</b>	<b>Human Services Committee Meeting</b>	<b>Room 2A</b>
Fri., Mar. 23 - 10:00 AM	Judiciary Committee Public Hearing	Room 2C
<b>Fri., Mar. 23 - 11:00 AM</b>	<b>Public Health Committee Meeting</b>	<b>Room 1D</b>
<b>Fri., Mar. 23 - 11:30 AM</b>	<b>Education Committee Meeting</b>	<b>Room 2D</b>
<b>Mon., Mar. 26 - 10:00 AM</b>	<b>Judiciary Committee Public Hearing</b>	<b>Room 2C</b>
<b>Wed., Mar. 28 - 10:00 AM</b>	<b>Judiciary Committee Public Hearing</b>	<b>Room 2C</b>

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