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Legislative Update # 2

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The Public Health Committee and the Committee on Children will hold a joint public hearing on bills related to mental health on Friday, February 25, 2022 at 9:00 A.M. via Zoom.

The bills will include:

- [Proposed S.B. No. 2](#) AN ACT EXPANDING PRESCHOOL AND MENTAL AND BEHAVIORAL SERVICES FOR CHILDREN.
- [H.B. No. 5001](#) (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH.

The public hearing can be viewed via [YouTube Live](#). In addition, the public hearing may be recorded and broadcast live on CT-N. Individuals who wish to testify via Zoom must register using the [On-line Testimony Registration Form](#). Registration will close on Thursday, February 24, 2022 at 3:00 P.M. Speaker order of approved registrants will be posted on the Public Health Committee website on Thursday, February 24, 2022 at 6:00 P.M. under Public Hearing Testimony. If you do not have internet access, you may provide testimony via telephone. To register to testify by phone, call the Phone Registrant Line at (860) 240-0441 to leave your contact information. Email written testimony to PHtestimony@cga.ct.gov.

On Thursday, February 24th the Executive and Legislative Nomination Committee will hold a virtual public hearing beginning at 10am. The agenda for the hearing includes the nomination of Nancy Navarretta to be Commissioner of Mental Health and Addiction Services.

Please feel free to contact me if you have questions about any of the information contained in the legislative updates. I can be reached at (860) 418-6839 or mary.mason@ct.gov. While email is the best way to reach me, you can also text or call my cell phone at (860) 985-2120 since I am often away from my desk phone.