



Department of Children and Families **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

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NEW BILLS OF INTEREST

Proposed [S.B. No. 28](#) SEN. WITKOS, 8th DIST. 'AN ACT ALLOWING ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES TO CONCLUDE THAT A PERSON HAS PSYCHIATRIC DISABILITIES AND IS DANGEROUS TO HIMSELF OR HERSELF OR OTHERS FOR PURPOSES OF CONFINEMENT IN A HOSPITAL FOR PSYCHIATRIC DISABILITIES UNDER AN EMERGENCY CERTIFICATE', to allow advanced practice registered nurses to conclude that a person has psychiatric disabilities and is dangerous to himself or herself or others for purposes of confinement to a hospital for psychiatric disabilities under an emergency certificate. REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [S.B. No. 38](#) SEN. GERRATANA, 6th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF SERVICES TO PERSONS WITH AN INTELLECTUAL OR DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY', to prevent disruption of services to persons with an intellectual or developmental disability. REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [S.B. No. 39](#) SEN. GERRATANA, 6th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP TO PROVIDE QUALITY SUPPORTS AND SERVICES FOR PERSONS WITH INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES', to provide continuum of care options, improve jobs and reduce the waiting list for services and supports for persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities. REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [S.B. No. 66](#) SEN. MARKLEY, 16th DIST.; SEN. SUZIO, 13th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECKS OF PRINCIPALS OF PROSPECTIVE STATE CONTRACTORS', to require all principals of prospective state contractors to submit to criminal history records checks. REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Proposed [S.B. No. 84](#) SEN. LINARES, 33rd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING GPS MONITORING OF CONVICTED PERSONS AWAITING SENTENCING FOR AGGRAVATED SEXUAL ASSAULT', to require a person convicted of aggravated sexual assault who remains free pending sentencing to be monitored by a global positioning system. REF. JUDICIARY

Proposed [S.B. No. 111](#) SEN. FORMICA, 20th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING NOTIFICATION TO SCHOOLS OF PROTECTIVE OR RESTRAINING ORDERS AFFECTING STUDENTS', to require notice be sent to schools when a student is named in a protective or restraining order. REF. JUDICIARY

[S.R. No. 8](#) SEN. LOONEY, 11th DIST. 'RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT IN JUAN F., ET AL. V. DANNEL MALLOY, ET AL' REF. APPROPRIATIONS

Proposed [H.B. No. 5127](#) REP. PISCOPO, 76th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING A FOSTER CARE STIPEND FOR GRANDPARENTS AWARDED CUSTODY OF GRANDCHILDREN', to assist grandparents who have been awarded custody of their grandchildren. REF. HUMAN SERVICES

Proposed [H.B. No. 5140](#) REP. PERILLO, 113th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING REIMBURSEMENTS TO HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS FOR COVERED SERVICES PROVIDED FOR THE TREATMENT OF A SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER', to require insurance companies, health care companies, fraternal benefit societies and other entities that provide coverage for the treatment of a substance use disorder to reimburse health care providers directly, rather than insureds, for services provided by such provider for the treatment of the substance use disorder. REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE

Proposed [H.B. No. 5170](#) REP. TWEEDIE, 13th DIST. 'AN ACT PROHIBITING THE DISPENSING OF OPIOIDS OUTSIDE OF A HOSPITAL SETTING TO ANY PERSON UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN', to combat the abuse of opioids. REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [H.B. No. 5172](#) REP. PERILLO, 113th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING STAFFING AT STATE-OPERATED FACILITIES FOR THE TREATMENT OF PERSONS WITH SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS', to rationalize patient care at state-operated facilities for the treatment of persons with substance use disorders. **REF. PUBLIC HEALTH**

Proposed [H.B. No. 5203](#) REP. BELSITO, 53rd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING ANNUAL LICENSES', to mitigate the administrative burden of annual licensing and reduce license fee costs. **REF. GENERAL LAW**

Proposed [H.B. No. 5208](#) REP. CARPINO, 32nd DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING LEGAL PROTECTIONS FOR A PERSON WHO ENTERS AN AUTOMOBILE TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE TO A CHILD', to provide legal protections to a person who enters the automobile of another, including an entry by force, to render emergency assistance to a child. **REF. JUDICIARY**

Proposed [H.B. No. 5224](#) REP. HARDING, 107th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING AN INVESTIGATION OF POLICIES REGARDING TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS AND PARENTAL NEGLECT', to determine the efficacy of policies concerning termination of parental rights and determinations of parental neglect. **REF. COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN**

Proposed [H.B. No. 5227](#) REP. SREDZINSKI, 112th DIST. 'AN ACT DELAYING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE STUDENT DATA PRIVACY ACT', to allow school districts to delay the implementation of the provisions of public act 16-189 relating to student data privacy. **REF. EDUCATION**

Proposed [H.B. No. 5232](#) REP. HARDING, 107th DIST. 'AN ACT DELAYING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE STUDENT DATA PRIVACY ACT FOR ONE SCHOOL YEAR', to allow school districts to delay the implementation of the provisions of public act 16-189 relating to student data privacy. **REF. EDUCATION**

Proposed [H.B. No. 5233](#) REP. HARDING, 107th DIST. 'AN ACT REPEALING THE STUDENT DATA PRIVACY ACT', to eliminate the requirement that boards of education enter into contracts with vendors who provide educational tools and software for students through means of the Internet, online services or mobile applications. **REF. EDUCATION**

Proposed [H.B. No. 5274](#) REP. HARDING, 107th DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY EXPANDING THE RIGHTS OF ADOPTIVE PARENTS', to strengthen the rights of adoptive parents. **REF. JUDICIARY**

Proposed [H.B. No. 5303](#) REP. ZIOBRON, 34th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING NOTICE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES OF JUVENILE MARIJUANA-RELATED INFRACTIONS', to notify the Department of Motor Vehicles of marijuana-related infractions committed by juveniles. **REF. TRANSPORTATION**

Proposed [H.B. No. 5311](#) REP. SCANLON, 98th DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING RECOVERY HIGH SCHOOLS', to establish recovery high schools in Connecticut for the purpose of educating students recovering from substance abuse. **REF. EDUCATION**

Proposed [H.B. No. 5318](#) REP. BETTS, 78th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING PRIVATIZING DELIVERY OF UP TO FIFTY PER CENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES BY NONPROFITS', to provide higher quality social services at less expense. **REF. HUMAN SERVICES**

Proposed [H.B. No. 5329](#) REP. SRINIVASAN, 31st DIST. 'AN ACT REDUCING THE SALARIES OF LEGISLATORS, COMMISSIONERS OF STATE AGENCIES AND THE GOVERNOR', to reduce the pay of legislators, commissioners and the Governor. **REF. APPROPRIATIONS**

Proposed [H.B. No. 5363](#) REP. ABERCROMBIE, 83rd DIST.; SEN. MOORE, 22nd DIST.; SEN. SLOSSBERG, 14th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING INTERPRETERS FOR DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING PERSONS', to ensure that persons who are deaf and hard of hearing have access to adequate and effective interpreting services. **REF. HUMAN SERVICES**

Proposed [H.B. No. 5379](#) REP. SRINIVASAN, 31st DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING MENTAL, EMOTIONAL AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR CHILDREN', to strengthen the provision of mental, emotional and behavioral health services to children. **REF. PUBLIC HEALTH**

Proposed [H.B. No. 5380](#) REP. ARCONTI, 109th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE AVAILABILITY OF EPINEPHRINE IN PUBLIC VENUES', to make emergency epinephrine in cartridge injectors more widely available to people who suffer anaphylactic symptoms in public venues. **REF. PUBLIC HEALTH**

Proposed [H.B. No. 5402](#) REP. DAVIS, 57th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING CAMERA AND COMPUTER REPAIR PERSONNEL AS MANDATED REPORTERS', to expand mandatory reporting laws. REF. COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN

Proposed [H.B. No. 5423](#) REP. DAVIS, 57th DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A SEARCHABLE DATABASE OF CONVICTED ANIMAL ABUSERS', to create a searchable database of convicted animal abusers. REF. ENVIRONMENT

Proposed [H.B. No. 5440](#) REP. KUPCHICK, 132nd DIST. 'AN ACT EXPANDING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR THE TREATMENT OF MENTAL OR NERVOUS CONDITIONS', to expand health insurance coverage for the treatment of mental or nervous conditions. REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE

Proposed [H.B. No. 5441](#) REP. KUPCHICK, 132nd DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR LONG-TERM ADDICTION TREATMENT', to require health insurance coverage for long-term addiction treatment. REF. INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE

Proposed [H.B. No. 5442](#) REP. COOK, 65th DIST. 'AN ACT RAISING THE LEGAL AGE TO MARRY TO EIGHTEEN', to prevent forced marriages. REF. JUDICIARY

Proposed [H.B. No. 5454](#) REP. MUSHINSKY, 85th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING AN ENGAGEMENT MODEL OF MENTAL HEALTH CARE', to utilize trained volunteers to improve outcomes and reduce the cost of mental health care in the state. REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [H.B. No. 5470](#) REP. YACCARINO, 87th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING SECURITY FREEZES ON MINOR CHILDREN'S CREDIT REPORTS', to protect the credit of minor children. REF. BANKING

Proposed [H.B. No. 5471](#) REP. HARDING, 107th DIST. 'AN ACT INCREASING PENALTIES FOR CRIMES COMMITTED AGAINST CHILDREN', to increase the penalties for crimes committed against children. REF. COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN

Proposed [H.B. No. 5472](#) REP. CAMILLO, 151st DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN IN PANHANDLING', to prevent the exploitation of children in panhandling. REF. COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN

Proposed [H.B. No. 5476](#) REP. SAMPSON, 80th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF ALTERNATIVE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR EXPELLED STUDENTS', to retain municipal control over alternative educational opportunities for expelled students. REF. EDUCATION

Proposed [H.B. No. 5479](#) REP. LAVIELLE, 143rd DIST.; REP. STEINBERG, 136th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND IN-SERVICE TRAINING REQUIREMENT RELATING TO THE RESTRAINT AND SECLUSION OF STUDENTS', to require only those educators who may have to perform restraint or seclusion of a student to complete training related to such restraint and seclusion. REF. EDUCATION

Proposed [H.B. No. 5483](#) REP. CHEESEMAN, 37th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE BEHAVIOR MANAGEMENT TRAINING REQUIREMENT FOR CERTAIN SCHOOL PERSONNEL', to reduce costs to school districts related to the mandatory training of school personnel. REF. EDUCATION

Proposed [H.B. No. 5484](#) REP. CHEESEMAN, 37th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE ALTERNATIVE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY REQUIREMENT FOR EXPELLED STUDENTS', to amend the amount of instructional time that school districts are required to provide to students who have been expelled. REF. EDUCATION

Proposed [H.B. No. 5501](#) REP. SAMPSON, 80th DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN ANIMAL ABUSER REGISTRY', to establish an animal abuser registry. REF. ENVIRONMENT

Proposed [H.B. No. 5541](#) REP. HARDING, 107th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE APPLICATION OF ACCELERATED REHABILITATION FOR CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN OR THE ELDERLY', to limit the application of accelerated rehabilitation. REF. JUDICIARY

Proposed [H.B. No. 5566](#) REP. SAMPSON, 80th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING NOTICE TO PARENTS OF ABORTION PROCEDURES PERFORMED ON MINORS', to establish parental notification requirements for abortion procedures performed on persons who are less than eighteen years of age. REF. PUBLIC HEALTH

Proposed [H.B. No. 5599](#) REP. MCCARTY, 38th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES, MUNICIPALITIES AND REIMBURSEMENT FOR THE COST OF EDUCATING

NONRESIDENT STUDENTS', to require the Department of Children and Families to reimburse towns for the costs of educating nonresident children that are placed in such towns. **REF. COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN**

Proposed [H.B. No. 5600](#) REP. MUSHINSKY, 85th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A RECOVERY HIGH SCHOOL IN CONNECTICUT', to establish a recovery high school in Connecticut to improve recovery rates of high school age youth who have been treated for addiction and discharged to the community by following the Massachusetts model. **REF. EDUCATION**

Proposed [H.B. No. 5602](#) REP. MCCARTY, 38th DIST. 'AN ACT LOWERING THE EXCESS COST THRESHOLD FOR OUT-OF-DISTRICT SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS', to provide relief to towns that provide special education to out-of-district students. **REF. EDUCATION**

Proposed [H.B. No. 5608](#) REP. GREEN, 55th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF ALTERNATIVE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR EXPELLED STUDENTS BY BOARDS OF EDUCATION', to retain municipal control over alternative educational opportunities for expelled students. **REF. EDUCATION**

Proposed [H.B. No. 5636](#) REP. DUBITSKY, 47th DIST. 'AN ACT PROHIBITING THE DISCLOSURE OF THE RESIDENTIAL ADDRESSES OF CERTAIN ATTORNEYS', to protect the privacy and security of attorneys who volunteer their legal services in juvenile cases. **REF. GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS**

Proposed [H.B. No. 5651](#) REP. BERTHEL, 68th DIST. 'AN ACT REQUIRING CLERKS OF THE COURT TO PROVIDE NOTICE OF PROTECTIVE ORDERS TO SCHOOLS', to ensure that the clerk of the court notifies a school system of the existence of a protective order that has been issued relating to a student enrolled at the school or the parent or legal guardian of such student. **REF. JUDICIARY**

Proposed [H.B. No. 5661](#) REP. BETTS, 78th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING LICENSURE OF ACCREDITED NONPROFIT COMMUNITY PROVIDERS OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES', to reduce costs and enhance administrative and operational efficiencies for accredited nonprofit community providers and the state. **REF. PUBLIC HEALTH**

Proposed [H.B. No. 5662](#) REP. MCCARTY, 38th DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE COORDINATED DELIVERY OF MENTAL HEALTH CARE', to coordinate the delivery of mental health services and to notify parents of available services for children and young adults. **REF. PUBLIC HEALTH**

Proposed [H.B. No. 5663](#) REP. GENGA, 10th DIST.; REP. KOKORUDA, 101st DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING SMOKING IN MOTOR VEHICLES', to protect children from secondhand smoke while riding in a motor vehicle. **REF. PUBLIC HEALTH**

Proposed [H.B. No. 5665](#) REP. BETTS, 78th DIST. 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN INNOVATION INCENTIVE PROGRAM', to encourage innovation and efficiency by allowing savings to be retained by a health or human services provider at the end of the provider's contractual term with a state agency to reinvest such savings into service delivery, provided the state agency determines that the provider has complied with its contractual and other service delivery requirements. **REF. PUBLIC HEALTH**

Proposed [H.B. No. 5667](#) REP. CARNEY, 23rd DIST. 'AN ACT EXPANDING ACCESS TO SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT FACILITIES', to expand access to substance abuse treatment. **REF. PUBLIC HEALTH.**

Proposed [H.B. No. 5668](#) REP. SRINIVASAN, 31st DIST. 'AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES', to provide an efficient and cost-effective method for the delivery of care. **REF. PUBLIC HEALTH**

[H.R. No. 9](#) REP. ARESIMOWICZ, 30th DIST. 'RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT IN JUAN F., ET AL. V. DANIEL MALLOY, ET AL' **REF. APPROPRIATIONS**

PUBLIC HEARINGS

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 2017**

The Appropriations Committee will hold a public hearing followed by a committee meeting on **Monday, January 23, 2017 at 10:00 A.M.** in **Room 2E** of the LOB.

SUBJECT MATTER: Juan F. Settlement

- S.R. No. 8 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT IN JUAN F., ET AL. V. DANIEL MALLOY, ET AL.
 - H.R. No. 9 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT IN JUAN F., ET AL. V. DANIEL MALLOY, ET AL.
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UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Mon., Jan. 23 - 10:00 AM Appropriations Committee Public Hearing & Meeting Room 2E

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