



Department of Children and Families

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

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WELCOME TO DCF's LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Welcome to the thirteenth edition of the DCF Legislative Update for the 2025 session of the General Assembly.

Committee Deadlines: Most committee deadlines have passed and the bills reported out of the Committee on Children can be found [here](#).

All committee deadlines can be found [here](#).

Adjournment: The General Assembly Adjourns on June 4th at midnight, which is later than in even numbered years due to the State Biennium budget adoption taking place in the odd numbered years.

Appropriations and Budget Related Information

The [Appropriations Committee has a public hearing Thursday April 10th](#) on the Governor's Budget Deficiency Bill, [H.B. No. 6863 AN ACT MAKING DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2025](#).

BILLS OF INTEREST

File copies for more information on bills that have advanced through the committee process can be found [here](#).

LEGISLATIVE LEADERS – 2025 SESSION

Senator Martin Looney (D) – *Senate President Pro Tempore*
Senator Bob Duff (D) – *Senate Majority Leader*
Representative Matthew Ritter (D) – *Speaker of the House*
Representative Jason Rojas (D) – *House Majority Leader*
Senator Stephen Harding (R) – *Senate Minority Leader*
Representative Vincent Candelora (R) – *House Minority Leader*

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS – 2025 SESSION

COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN

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Cognizance of all matters relating to the Department of Children and Families, including institutions under its jurisdiction, and children.

Chairs: Sen. Ceci Maher (D), Rep. Corey Paris (D)
Vice-Chairs: Sen. Christine Cohen (D), Rep. Mary Welander (D)
Ranking Members: Sen. Jason Perillo (R), Rep. Anne Dauphinais (R)

Members:

Rep. Pat Boyd (D)	Rep. William Pizzuto (R)	Rep. Trenee McGee (D)
Rep. Kai Belton (D)	Rep. Robin Comey (D)	Sen. Martha Marx (D)
Sen. Julie Kushner (D)	Rep. Brian Lanoue (R)	Rep. Sarah Keitt (D)
Rep. Gale Mastrofrancesco (R)	Rep. Rebecca Martinez (D)	

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND HEARINGS

Tue, Apr 8 - 10:00 AM	Judiciary Committee Meeting	2C-ZOOM
Wed, Apr 9 - 11:00 AM	HOUSE SESSION	House
		Chamber
Wed, Apr 9 - 11:00 AM	SENATE SESSION	Senate
		Chamber
Thur, Apr 10 - 10:00 AM	Judiciary Committee Meeting	2C-ZOOM
Thur, Apr 10 - 10:00 AM	Appropriations Committee Public Hearing	2E-ZOOM

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 2024**

The Appropriations Committee will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, April 10, 2025 at 10:00 A.M.** in **Room 2E** of the LOB and via **Zoom**. The public hearing can be viewed via **YouTube Live**. In addition, the public hearing may be recorded and broadcast live on **CT-N.com**. Individuals who wish to testify must register using the **On-line Testimony Registration Form**. The registration form must contain the name of the person who will be testifying. A unique email address must be provided for each person registered to speak. Registration will close on Wednesday, April 9, 2025 at 3:00 P.M. Speaker order of approved registrants will be listed in a randomized order and posted on the Appropriations Committee website on Wednesday, April 9, 2025 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 860-240-0033 to leave your contact information. Please submit written testimony using the **On-line Testimony Submission Form**. The Committee requests that testimony be limited to matters related to the items on the Agenda. State agency testimony will be taken in the following order: OPM Secretary Beckham; State Comptroller - Miscellaneous and Fringe Benefits; Department of Revenue Services; Department of Veterans Affairs; Department of Administrative Services; Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection; Military Department; Department of Labor; Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities; Department of Housing; Agricultural Experiment Station; Department of Public Health; Office of Health Strategy; Office of the Chief Medical Examiner; Department of Developmental Services; Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services; Department of Social Services; CT Technical Education and Career System; Teachers' Retirement Board; Department of Correction; Judicial Department; and, Public Defender Services Commission. Public speakers will be limited to three minutes of testimony. The Committee encourages witnesses to submit a written statement and to condense oral testimony to a summary of that statement. All public hearing testimony, written and spoken, is public information. As such, it will be made available on the CGA website and indexed by internet search engines.

SUBJECT MATTER: FY 25 State Agency Deficiencies

H.B. No. 6863 (COMM) AN ACT MAKING DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2025.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY WEBSITE

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