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**Legislative Update #17**  
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The following bill will have a public hearing in the committee indicated below. For your information we have also included the date of the hearing.

[HB-7200](#) AN ACT PROHIBITING THE SALE OF CIGARETTES, TOBACCO PRODUCTS, ELECTRONIC NICOTINE DELIVERY SYSTEMS AND VAPOR PRODUCTS TO PERSONS UNDER AGE TWENTY-ONE. **(Public Health Comm. Public hearing: March 4<sup>th</sup>)**

Below are miscellaneous bills that may be of interest to the behavioral health community:

[HB-6786](#) AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF FUNDS FROM THE DRUG ASSETS FORFEITURE REVOLVING ACCOUNT FOR DRUG TREATMENT BEDS.

[HB-6791](#) AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF FUNDS FROM THE DRUG ASSETS FORFEITURE REVOLVING ACCOUNT FOR DRUG TREATMENT BEDS.

[HB-6896](#) AN ACT REQUIRING CERTAIN ABLE-BODIED MEDICAID RECIPIENTS TO WORK OR VOLUNTEER THEIR SERVICES.

[HB-6987](#) AN ACT EXPANDING THE MONEY FOLLOWS THE PERSON DEMONSTRATION PROJECT.

[HB-7032](#) AN ACT REQUIRING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR PEER SUPPORT SERVICES PROVIDED BY CERTIFIED PEER COUNSELORS.

[HB-7046](#) AN ACT ALLOWING MUNICIPALITIES TO IMPOSE A SERVICE CHARGE ON NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS FOR MUNICIPAL SERVICES PROVIDED.

[HB-7049](#) AN ACT PROMOTING EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES.

[HB-7090](#) AN ACT CONCERNING INEQUITABLE METHADONE MAINTENANCE REIMBURSEMENT RATES UNDER THE MEDICAID PROGRAM.

[HB-7093](#) AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO INCREASE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES.

[SB-966](#) AN ACT CONCERNING THE PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY OF PSYCHOLOGISTS.

[SB-967](#) AN ACT CONCERNING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES REGARDING EMERGENCY MEDICATION.

You can find information on the bills above by clicking on the bill hyperlink provided or by visiting [cga.ct.gov](http://cga.ct.gov). 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](mailto:mary.mason@ct.gov). During session, you may want to try to reach me on my cell phone at (860) 985-2120, since I am often at the Capitol and away from my desk phone.

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